WHEREAS, the National Association of Social Workers-Hawai‘i declares that the primary mission of the social work profession is to enhance human well-being and help meet the basic needs of all people, especially the most vulnerable in society; and

WHEREAS, the National Association of Social Workers-Hawai‘i helps lead America’s struggle for social justice by standing up for individuals and supporting diverse families in every community; and

WHEREAS, the National Association of Social Workers-Hawai‘i believes that discrimination of any kind limits human potential and must be eliminated, with the knowledge that poverty and trauma can create lifelong social justice and economic disadvantages; and

WHEREAS, the National Association of Social Workers-Hawai‘i assists people in every stage of life to function better in their environments, improve their relationships with others, and solve personal and family problems; and

WHEREAS, the National Association of Social Workers-Hawai‘i works toward shared prosperity and opportunity for all, using social work research and advocacy to turn community needs into national priorities as change agents who put the ideals of citizenship into action; and

WHEREAS, the National Association of Social Workers-Hawai‘i recognizes the numerous contributions made by America’s 600,000 social workers, including over 3,000 social workers in Hawaii‘i;

THEREFORE, I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor, and I, SHAN S. TSUTSUI, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawaii‘i, do hereby proclaim March 30, 2016 as

“SOCIAL WORK PROFESSIONALS DAY”

in Hawaii‘i and encourage the people of the Aloha State to join us in appreciation of the many contributions of social work professionals in providing vital services to our community.

DONE at the State Capitol, in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawaii‘i, on this thirtieth day of March 2016.

DAVID Y. IGE
Governor, State of Hawaii‘i

SHAN S. TSUTSUI
Lt. Governor, State of Hawaii‘i