WHEREAS, the 442nd Veterans Club was organized by veterans of the 442nd Regimental Combat Team, a Japanese American military unit that fought gallantly in eight military campaigns in Europe during World War II; and

WHEREAS, members of the 442nd Veterans Club include soldiers assigned to the 442nd Regimental Combat Team consisting of the 442nd Infantry Regiment, the 552nd Field Artillery Battalion, the 232nd Engineer Company and the 206th Army Band; and

WHEREAS, the Nisei soldiers gained respect and honor as a great military unit by the end of the war; and to this day, the 442nd remains the Army’s most highly decorated combat unit in U.S. history for its size and length of service; and

WHEREAS, the 442nd Veterans Club and the Sons & Daughters of the 442nd RCT are commemorating its 73rd Anniversary Banquet, “The Legacy Begins” on April 10, 2016, at the Pacific Beach Hotel; and

WHEREAS, this annual event brings together veterans and families of veterans to celebrate and enhance their legacy, and to recognize their dedication, sacrifice, and courage; and as more veterans fall from their ranks each year, these annual banquets are made that more special to those who attend;

THEREFORE, I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor, and I, SHAN S. TSUTSUI, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai‘i, do hereby proclaim April 10, 2016 as

"442ND VETERAN’S CLUB 73RD ANNIVERSARY DAY"

DONE at the State Capitol, in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai‘i, on this 4th day of April 2016.

DAVID Y. IGE
Governor, State of Hawai‘i

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