



Proclamation
in Recognition of

National School Nurse Day

WHEREAS, today's children face more complex and life-threatening health problems that require immediate care, and all students should have adequate access to ensure their health needs are safely met while in school; and

WHEREAS, school nurses have served a critical role in improving public health and in ensuring student academic success for more than 100 years; and

WHEREAS, school nurses are professional nurses who advance the well-being, academic success and lifelong achievements of all students by providing a critical safety net for our nation's most fragile children; and

WHEREAS, school nurses act as a liaison to the school community, parents and health care providers on behalf of children by promoting wellness and improving health outcomes for our nation's children; and

WHEREAS, school nurses support the health and educational success of children and youth by providing access to care when children's cognitive development is at its peak; and

WHEREAS, school nurses are members of school-based mental health teams, and understand the link between health and learning and are in a position to make a positive difference for children every day;

THEREFORE I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor, and I, SHAN S. TSUTSUI, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim May 11, 2016 as

"NATIONAL SCHOOL NURSE DAY"

in Hawai'i and encourage citizens of the Aloha State to join us in acknowledging school nurses for their efforts of meeting the needs of today's students by improving the delivery of health care in our schools and contributing to our communities by helping students stay healthy in school and ready to learn.

DONE at the State Capitol, in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, on this fourth day of May 2016.

DAVID Y. IGE
Governor, State of Hawai'i

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