



# *Proclamation*

## *Presented to the*

### **Chamber of Commerce Hawai'i and INNOVATE Hawai'i**

**WHEREAS**, the Chamber of Commerce Hawai'i, representing more than 1,300 member organizations and businesses, is the largest business organization in Hawai'i working on behalf of its members to improve the State's economic climate and address issues of common concern; and

**WHEREAS**, INNOVATE Hawai'i, a program of the National Institute of Standards and Technology's Hollings Manufacturing Extension Partnership, is administered locally by the High Technology Development Corporation and designed to assist small- to medium-sized manufacturers and pre-manufacturers to overcome their growth issues in order to succeed in the global market; and

**WHEREAS**, there are over 1,000 manufacturers in Hawai'i, with 71 percent of the state's export share, that provide over 13,500 jobs with an average annual compensation of over \$42,800 per year—15 percent higher than other private non-farm jobs; and

**WHEREAS**, a growing grassroots movement of manufacturers dedicated to overcoming their collective challenges and helping their communities thrive established Manufacturing Day on October 3, 2014; and

**WHEREAS**, hundreds of U.S. manufacturers across the nation will participate in Manufacturing Day by hosting open houses, public tours, career workshops, and other events to draw the public's attention to work opportunities in manufacturing and encourage job seekers to develop the skills they need to qualify for long-term careers in this secure and growing sector of the economy; and

**WHEREAS**, the Chamber of Commerce Hawai'i and INNOVATE Hawai'i have joined the movement and will be hosting a manufacturing facilities tour to highlight the importance of manufacturing to our State and the U.S. economy in general; and

**WHEREAS**, by joining manufacturers around the country in opening our doors on Manufacturing Day, the Chamber of Commerce Hawai'i and INNOVATE Hawai'i will share information about careers in the manufacturing sector and show the public that modern manufacturing is a technology-driven industry that offers secure, well-paying jobs;

**THEREFORE I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor, and I, SHAN S. TSUTSUI, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim October 7, 2016 as**

## **"MANUFACTURING DAY"**

in Hawai'i, and urge the people of the Aloha State to join us by participating in the events offered to learn of the exciting opportunities that are offered in today's manufacturing field.

**DONE** at the State Capitol, in the Executive Chambers, in Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, on this thirtieth day of September 2016.

DAVID Y. IGE  
Governor, State of Hawai'i

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