



Proclamation
Presented to the

**Association for Conflict Resolution
Hawai'i Chapter**

WHEREAS, conflict resolution encompasses mediation, arbitration, facilitation, collective and collaborative dialogue and decision-making, and other responses to differences; and

WHEREAS, practicing conflict resolution empowers individuals, families, communities, organizations, and businesses to foster communication and devise solutions that are acceptable to the needs and interests of all parties involved; and

WHEREAS, conflict resolution is taught and practiced by students and adults of all ages in many school systems, large institutions, business establishments, and within public sector and non-profit organizations throughout Hawai'i as a way of resolving disputes; and

WHEREAS, Conflict Resolution Day 2016 will be celebrated around the world on October 20, 2016, to promote awareness of mediation, facilitation, arbitration, conciliation, and other peaceful means of resolving conflicts; and

WHEREAS, this event encourages the use of conflict resolution in schools, businesses, communities, government, and the legal system, and recognizes the significant contributions of peaceful conflict resolvers; and

WHEREAS, the Association for Conflict Resolution – Hawai'i Chapter joins its partners in the islands:

The Hawai'i State Judiciary Center for Alternative Dispute Resolution
The Matsunaga Institute for Peace and Conflict Resolution
Hawai'i State Bar Association's Alternative Dispute Resolution Section
Community mediation centers statewide, including the Mediation Center of the Pacific, Ku'ikahi Mediation Center, Maui Mediation Services; Kaua'i Economic Opportunity, Inc. Mediation Program, and West Hawai'i Mediation Center

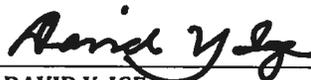
to increase awareness of the various peaceful, non-violent methods of conflict resolution available;

THEREFORE, I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor, and I, SHAN S. TSUTSUI, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim October 20, 2016, to be

“CONFLICT RESOLUTION DAY”

and encourage all residents of the Aloha State to learn more about conflict resolution practices and apply them to their daily lives to promote peaceful and creative solutions to disputes.

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



DAVID Y. IGE
Governor, State of Hawai'i



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