



# *Proclamation*

## *In Recognition of*

## **Native American Heritage Month 2016**

**WHEREAS**, Native American Awareness Week began in 1976, and was later expanded by Congress designating November as Native American Heritage Month; and

**WHEREAS**, the history and culture of the indigenous Native American Indians are part of a rich legacy of the United States; and

**WHEREAS**, the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution (NSDAR), a non-profit, non-political, volunteer women's service organization, is dedicated to preserving American history, securing America's future through education, and promoting patriotism including recognizing Native American Heritage Month and acknowledging the contributions of Native Americans; and

**WHEREAS**, the three chapters of NSDAR in Hawaii (the Aloha Chapter established on Oahu in 1897, the Hawai'i Loa Chapter established on Hawaii Island in 2001, and the Haleakala Chapter established on Maui in 2014) will plan activities during November to celebrate and honor Native Americans; and

**WHEREAS**, these activities include fundraising for Native American boarding schools and raising members awareness of the various Native American tribes in the United States;

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

## **“Native American Heritage Month”**

in Hawai'i and urge all our citizens to observe this occasion and recognize the contributions of Native Americans who have enhanced the freedom, prosperity, and greatness of our country.

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

DAVID Y. IGE

Governor, State of Hawai'i

SHAN S. TSUTSUI

Lt. Governor, State of Hawai'i