



Proclamation
Presented to the
American Cancer Society

WHEREAS, in 1985 Dr. Gordy Klatt started the first Relay For Life in Tacoma, Washington by running and walking 24 hours around a track for 83.6 miles to help the American Cancer Society fight cancer, the nation's biggest health concern; and

WHEREAS, today more than 5,200 communities and 20 countries host Relay For Life events to bring together cancer survivors, caregivers, and all those touched by cancer, to remember those who lost their battle to cancer, and encourage those who continue the fight to stay well and get well; and

WHEREAS, each Relay For Life event is special to its own community, but the movement's true power lies in the combined commitment of thousands of participants, volunteers, and supporters to help the American Cancer Society save lives from cancer and to make it known that no one faces cancer alone; and

WHEREAS, survivors and caregivers proudly wear the royal color purple as they are honored for their regal but humble efforts to fight the disease; and

WHEREAS, Paint Hawai'i Purple is a week-long celebration in support of Relay For Life as a way to honor all cancer survivors and cancer patients by coloring our community purple; and

WHEREAS, the people of Hawai'i are encouraged to paint Hawai'i purple by displaying purple signs, wearing purple clothing and accessories, and decorating our community in purple all week;

THEREFORE I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor, and I, SHAN S. TSUTSUI, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim October 31 – November 6, 2016 as

“PAINT HAWAI'I PURPLE WEEK”

and urge the citizens of the Aloha State to join us in recognizing the American Cancer Society for their dedication and continued efforts to eliminate cancer, showing support for cancer patients and their families, and remembering the loved ones who lost their fight to cancer by coloring our community purple.

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


DAVID Y. IGE
Governor, State of Hawai'i


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