



Proclamation
In Recognition of
International Education Week

WHEREAS, international education helps foster people to people relations, promote cross cultural understanding, and build bridges that connect future world leaders; and

WHEREAS, student exchange programs provide opportunities for students to learn in a globally interconnected world, and

WHEREAS, Hawai'i continues to host international students from all over the globe, and our State can serve as the hub for Asia and the Pacific; and

WHEREAS, Hawai'i's schools actively welcome international students and provide programs that share Hawai'i's rich cultural and natural resources; and

WHEREAS, the opportunity for Hawai'i's students to interact with other students from around the world can promote diversity and develop global competence, and

WHEREAS, international students provide an important economic as well as educational benefit to the state, contributing more than 12,000 students and \$300 million in direct economic impact in 2015-2016; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of State and the U.S. Department of Education have jointly celebrated international education through the promotion of International Education Week (IEW) for 18 consecutive years;

THEREFORE I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor, and I, SHAN S. TSUTSUI, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim November 14-18, 2016 as

"INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION WEEK"

in Hawai'i and urge the people of the Aloha State to encourage and participate in international education as we become better connected to countries all over the world.

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

DAVID Y. IGE
Governor, State of Hawai'i

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