



# *Proclamation*

## *Presented to*

## **Partners in Care – O‘ahu’s Continuum of Care**

**WHEREAS**, hunger and homelessness continue to be serious concerns that challenge an increasing number of individuals and families in our state; and

**WHEREAS**, Partners in Care – O‘ahu’s Continuum of Care, and Bridging the Gap, the Continuum of Care for the neighbor islands, are defined by the HUD Hearth Act as coalitions of non-profit homeless service providers, government officials and interested community members who collect and develop data of Hawai‘i’s homeless in order to advocate and seek to improve services for them; and

**WHEREAS**, the coalitions sponsor Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week in Hawai‘i each year during the third week in November, in support of the National Coalition for the Homeless and National Student Campaign Against Hunger and Homelessness; and

**WHEREAS**, the purpose of the event is to explore and educate the public about the many circumstances surrounding hunger and homelessness, including the shortage of affordable housing in Hawai‘i for very low-income residents, and to encourage support for homeless service providers, as well as community service opportunities for students and school service organizations; and

**WHEREAS**, Hawai‘i will observe Hunger and Homeless Awareness Week from November 12 – 20, 2016, with the Statewide Homeless Awareness Conference – “Pūpūkahi i Holomua (Unite to Move Forward)” to bring attention and focus to this important social condition that affects us all;

**THEREFORE I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor, and I, SHAN S. TSUTSUI, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai‘i, do hereby proclaim November 12 – 20, 2016 as**

## **“HUNGER AND HOMELESSNESS AWARENESS WEEK”**

in Hawai‘i and encourage the citizens of the Aloha State to join us in raising our awareness of the circumstances surrounding hunger and homelessness and taking part in programs that provide essential services to those in need.

**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