Proclamation

In Recognition of

Kupuna Power Day

WHEREAS, an aging population is one of the most prominent features of Hawai‘i’s population trend in which one in four residents of Hawai‘i will be 60 years or older by 2020; and

WHEREAS, a recent study conducted by the American Association of Retired Persons Hawai‘i found that nearly four out of five Hawai‘i seniors say it would be very important to them to have a central place where they could get information about long-term care services as well as information on services and benefits available to them and their families; and

WHEREAS, the 5th annual Kupuna Power Day features notable local entertainers and interactive activities and educates our kupuna by bringing together a cross section of more than 40 vendors, nonprofit organizations, and state and city agencies that provide resources, insurance information, health care options and senior programs and services; and

WHEREAS, the Daniel Akaka Kahikina Award, presented on Kupuna Power Day, honors a caring individual or organization that supports and empowers seniors to age in place with purpose and dignity; and

WHEREAS, aloha is the essence of relationships in which each person is important to every other person, motivating us all to help ensure the rights of our kupuna and prevent their abuse, neglect and exploitation;

THEREFORE I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor, and I, SHAN S. TSUTSUI, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai‘i, do hereby proclaim April 13, 2017 as

“KUPUNA POWER DAY”

in Hawai‘i and urge the people of the Aloha State to join us in encouraging seniors to stay healthy and active and in recognizing the efforts of Hawai‘i State Senator Brickwood Galuteria, Pacific Gateway Center and Na Kupuna Makamae Center for their collective efforts to honor, respect and care for our kupuna.

DONE at the State Capitol, in Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai‘i, this sixth day of April 2017.

DAVID Y. IGE
Governor, State of Hawai‘i

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