



Proclamation

In Recognition of

Archives Month

WHEREAS, historical records contain much of Hawai'i's rich heritage and are crucial to understanding the past, learning from the accomplishments of our predecessors, tracing our ancestors, confirming property rights, maintaining laws and providing guidance to future generations; and

WHEREAS, archivists are dedicated to preserving Hawai'i's heritage, increasing public awareness of the civic value of archives, maintaining records in the public trust and improving citizens' knowledge of and connections to our community's history; and

WHEREAS, meticulous record-keeping has always been an important duty within an open democracy, maintaining a safeguard of the rights and freedoms of all citizens; and

WHEREAS, state and county governments, schools and universities, museums, libraries, historical societies, businesses, religious organizations, cultural organizations, medical institutions and individuals on each island of Hawai'i have established archives as a means of preserving the history of Hawai'i; and

WHEREAS, archives are great places for students to develop 21st century skills, including research, analysis and communication; and

WHEREAS, archivists, archival technicians and collections professionals on each island in the state evaluate, collect, organize and describe Hawai'i's records through their training, diligence and expertise in the art, science, and practice of managing materials; and

WHEREAS, there will be many events, both nationally and locally, in support of American Archives Month to better inform the public about the work of archivists and the importance of archives in our society;

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

"ARCHIVES MONTH"

in Hawai'i and urge the people of the Aloha State to recognize the important work that archivists and collections professionals perform and to discover the rich treasures contained in the many archives and special collections across the islands.

DONE at the State Capitol, in Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this twenty-ninth day of September 2017.

DAVID Y. IGE
Governor, State of Hawai'i

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