

Proclamation

In Recognition of

Hawai'i Information Technology Week

WHEREAS, the Healthcare Information and Management Systems Society (HIMSS), established in 1961, is a global, non-profit organization created with the goal of transforming healthcare through the effective use of information technology (IT) and management systems; and

WHEREAS, HIMSS provides leadership, community building, professional development, public policy, and events to improve both the health status of populations, as well as the quality, cost-effectiveness and increased access to health care; and

WHEREAS, since 1995, HIMSS has presented the Nicholas E. Davies Award of Excellence 53 times to outstanding organizations that utilize health information technology to substantially improve patient care while achieving a return on investment; and

WHEREAS, Hawai'i ranks among the top ten best states for health care, and organizations in Hawai'i have garnered more than 10 percent of the HIMSS Nicholas E. Davies Award of Excellence in its history, receiving the award six times; and

WHEREAS, Hawai'i Pacific Health is one of only two second-time winners of the Nicholas E. Davies Enterprise Award of Excellence since the program's inception, having won in 2012 and 2016; and

WHEREAS, Hawai'i Pacific Health, a nonprofit healthcare system and Hawai'i's largest healthcare provider, operates four medical centers and 70 outpatient clinics and service sites, and has led strategic initiatives in women's health, pediatric care, cardiovascular services, cancer care, and bone and joint services; and

WHEREAS, Hawai'i Pacific Health ranks among the top five percent of hospitals in the nation that implement electronic health records system-wide, enabling its hospitals and physicians to offer integrated, coordinated care throughout the state; and

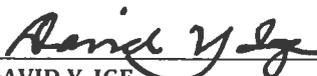
WHEREAS, Hawai'i Information Technology Week is held in conjunction with National Health IT Week to educate industry and policy stakeholders on the value of health IT for the U.S. healthcare system;

THEREFORE I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor, and I, SHAN S. TSUTSUI, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim October 2 - 6, 2017 as

"HAWAI'I INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY WEEK"

in Hawai'i and ask the people of the Aloha State to join us in congratulating Hawai'i Pacific Health as recipient of the 2016 Davies Enterprise Award of Excellence from the Healthcare Information and Management Systems Society and recognizing the value of healthcare and health information technology in a 21st century health system that improves access, treatment and affordability for all Hawai'i residents.

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



DAVID Y. IGE
Governor, State of Hawai'i



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