WHEREAS, October is celebrated as Filipino-American History Month in Hawai‘i and throughout the United States under Hawai‘i Revised Statutes 8-18 and Resolution #780 from the 11th Congress; and

WHEREAS, a large number of Filipinos migrated to Hawai‘i and made sacrifices working on the plantations to provide more opportunities for the younger Filipino generation; and

WHEREAS, many descendants of immigrants have become doctors, lawyers, teachers, engineers, businessmen, politicians and community leaders; and

WHEREAS, Filipinos are known for their diligent work ethic and resourcefulness, making contributions in sugar, hotel and numerous other industries that have helped shape our economic history; and

WHEREAS, the Filipino community in Hawai‘i is strong, vibrant and vital, significantly contributing to all facets of life in the Aloha State; and

WHEREAS, Filipinos are proud of their heritage and share it in forms of food, music, language, as well as many other customs that are a part of Hawai‘i’s rich diverse culture passed down from generation to generation; and

WHEREAS, our Filipino elders have established standards of excellence as model citizens and are worthy of recognition and honor during this special month;

THEREFORE I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor, and I, DOUGLAS S. CHIN, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai‘i, do hereby proclaim October 2018 as

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in Hawai‘i and ask the people of the Aloha State to join us in commemorating the Filipino-Americans by celebrating and appreciating their sacrifices, contributions and accomplishments in the history, economy, culture and heritage of Hawai‘i and the United States.

Done at the State Capitol, in Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai‘i, this fourteenth day of October, 2018.

DAVID Y. IGE
Governor, State of Hawai‘i

DOUGLAS S. CHIN
Lt. Governor, State of Hawai‘i