WHEREAS, the theme for this year's National School Counseling Week, "School Counselors: Providing Lessons for Life," spotlights the contributions of school counselors within their school systems; and

WHEREAS, National School Counseling Week, sponsored by the American School Counselor Association (ASCA), reminds us of the impact school counselors can have in helping students achieve school success and plan for a career; and

WHEREAS, the ASCA supports the efforts of school counselors to help students focus on academic, personal, social and career development so they achieve success in school and are prepared to lead fulfilling lives as responsible members of society; and

WHEREAS, school counselors are actively committed to helping students explore their abilities, strengths, interests and talents as these traits relate to career awareness and development; and

WHEREAS, school counselors help parents focus on ways to further the educational, personal and social growth of their children; and

WHEREAS, school counselors work with teachers and other educators to help students explore their potential and set realistic goals for themselves; and

WHEREAS, school counselors identify and utilize community resources that can enhance and complement comprehensive school counseling programs; and

WHEREAS, school counselors are employed in public and private schools to help students reach their full potential; and

WHEREAS, comprehensive developmental school counseling programs are considered an integral part of the educational process that enables all students to achieve success in school;

THEREFORE I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor, and I, JOSHUA B. GREEN, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai‘i, do hereby proclaim February 4 – 8, 2019 as

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in Hawai‘i and ask the people of the Aloha State to join us in recognizing the vital role our school counselors play in providing valuable guidance to students in public and private schools across the islands.

Done at the State Capitol, in Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai‘i, this seventh day of January 2019.