WHEREAS, cancer is among the leading causes of death in the world and approximately 38.4 percent of men and women will be diagnosed with some form of cancer at some point during their lifetimes; and

WHEREAS, oncology nurses are at the forefront of the cancer battle as they deliver care to cancer patients, carry out clinical trials, and advance evidence-based research in an effort to find a cure; and

WHEREAS, oncology nurses care for people of all ages who are diagnosed with cancer by explaining diagnoses, guiding them through their treatment, celebrating their victories, and comforting them through their challenges; and

WHEREAS, the Oncology Nursing Society brings together more than 39,000 oncology nurses, nurse scientists, and nurse teachers who innovate to create better care, define excellence through oncology nursing research, promote practice based on the best available evidence while also advocating for those going through their cancer journey; and

WHEREAS, the collective and specialized expertise of oncology nurses possess the power to transform cancer care; and

WHEREAS, the Oncology Nursing Society is proudly known as the standards bearer of advanced cancer care today;

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

“ONCOLOGY NURSING MONTH”

in Hawai‘i and ask the people of the Aloha State to join us in recognizing oncology nurses who have answered the call to nursing and thanking them for all that they do to support cancer patients and their families.

Done at the State Capitol, in Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai‘i, this twenty-ninth day of April 2019.

Josh Green
Lieutenant Governor, State of Hawai‘i

David Y. Ige
Governor, State of Hawai‘i