

Proclamation

WHEREAS, strong Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) education programs are vital to the economic future of the State of Hawai'i; and

WHEREAS, STEM education is needed to prepare our state's youth for high-growth, high-demand careers in computer science, engineering, cyber security, health, life and physical sciences, and math fields; and

WHEREAS, according to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, STEM occupations are projected to grow 8.9 percent through 2024, outpacing any other job classification; and

WHEREAS, the State of Hawai'i continues to be a strong supporter of STEM education programs to help build, grow, and strengthen Hawai'i's STEM education-to-workforce pipeline; and

WHEREAS, one of the highlights of Hawai'i's STEM Education Week will be the 10th Annual Hawai'i STEM Conference presented by the Maui Economic Development Board (MEDB) STEMworks Program, which will be held May 1-2, 2019 at the Hawai'i Convention Center in Honolulu, Hawai'i; and

WHEREAS, this important conference will attract over 1,500 STEM students and educators from across the state and offer interactive sessions with local and national industry professionals in some of the most innovative global technologies; and

WHEREAS, by empowering our youth with STEM opportunities, tools, and problem-solving skills, we can equip and inspire our next generation of innovators and critical thinkers, which is key to ensuring a bright future for our communities, state, nation, and world;

THEREFORE I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor, and I, JOSHUA B. GREEN, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim April 29 - May 4, 2019 as

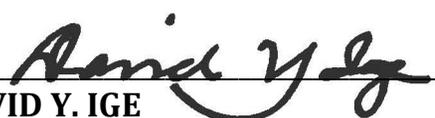
“HAWAI'I STEM EDUCATION WEEK”

and encourage all citizens throughout the Aloha State to support STEM education efforts, such as MEDB's STEMworks Program, which empower our students and educators with STEM skills to help them build pathways and opportunities for our future.

Done at the State Capitol, in Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this sixteenth day of April 2019.



JOSHUA B. GREEN
Lieutenant Governor, State of Hawai'i



DAVID Y. IGE
Governor, State of Hawai'i