WHEREAS, credit unions are not-for-profit financial cooperatives that are democratically-owned and operated, and are comprised of members working together toward economic advancement; and

WHEREAS, the spirit of the global credit union movement is rooted in a "people-helping-people" philosophy, which pools personal resources and leadership abilities for the good of the cooperative, empowers members to improve their financial futures, and unites to help those in need; and

WHEREAS, for millions of members across 117 countries, credit unions provide a wide range of financial services and are a viable alternative to for-profit financial institutions; and

WHEREAS, as a result of credit unions' leadership and service in communities around the world, there are more than 56,000 credit unions in existence with over 200 million members; and

WHEREAS, this year, credit unions have chosen the theme "Local Service. Global Reach," which recognizes that local efforts can lead to larger-scale and lasting positive change in communities worldwide; and

WHEREAS, credit union members continue to develop strong alliances that help make financial democracy possible in many countries while also making economic and social contributions locally and internationally; and

WHEREAS, 2019 marks the 71st anniversary of International Credit Union Day;

THEREFORE I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor, and I, JOSHUA B. GREEN, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai‘i, do hereby proclaim October 17, 2019 as

“INTERNATIONAL CREDIT UNION DAY”

in Hawai‘i and ask the people of the Aloha State to join us in recognizing the many contributions that credit unions have made to communities across the Hawaiian Islands and abroad, and expressing our appreciation for the dedicated service and steadfast commitment of credit unions and their members.

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

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

DAVID Y. IGE
Governor, State of Hawai‘i