WHEREAS, Congenital Disorders of Glycosylation (CDG) are a group of rare metabolic disorders that affect the neurological system and normal organ development, leaving children, adolescents and adults impaired with significant physical and developmental disability; and

WHEREAS, approximately 1,200 CDG cases are identified globally, and only 200 cases are currently reported in the United States; and

WHEREAS, CDG symptoms resemble those of other disorders, making accurate diagnosis difficult; and

WHEREAS, unexplained developmental delay, speech and language difficulties, poor balance or motor control, vision problems, intestinal problems, seizures and stroke-like episodes are symptoms of CDG; and

WHEREAS, lack of public awareness and visibility of CDG contribute to underdiagnosis and problems with accessing specialized services, proper rehabilitation and support; and

WHEREAS, early diagnosis of CDG is important to ensure timely management of clinical complications, genetic counseling, treatment and therapeutic remedies; and

WHEREAS, raising CDG awareness increases accurate and timely diagnosis of this rare group of inherited metabolic disorders;

THEREFORE I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor of the State of Hawai‘i, do hereby proclaim May 16, 2020 as “CONGENITAL DISORDERS OF GLYCOSYLATION AWARENESS DAY” in Hawai‘i and ask the people of the Aloha State to join us in the effort to raise awareness of CDG for a healthier Hawai‘i.

Done at the State Capitol in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai‘i, this fifteenth day of May 2020.

DAVID Y. IGE
Governor, State of Hawai‘i