



In Recognition of
**50th Anniversary of University of Hawai'i Cancer Center
25th Year of Designation as National Cancer Institute**

WHEREAS, the University of Hawai'i (UH) Cancer Center was founded in 1971 as part of the Pacific Biomedical Research Center and later established by the UH Board of Regents as a freestanding independent research institute; and

WHEREAS, the UH Cancer Center's mission is to reduce the burden of cancer through research, education and patient care with an emphasis on the unique ethnic, cultural and environmental characteristics of Hawai'i and the Pacific; and

WHEREAS, the research, innovation and work being done at the UH Cancer Center to improve diagnoses and treatments for Native Hawaiians and Asian Americans will benefit patients around the world; and

WHEREAS, every year, more than 100,000 people in Hawai'i and the Pacific participate in UH Cancer Center sponsored cancer research studies; and

WHEREAS, UH Cancer Center members bring in around \$40 million per year in grants from the National Institutes of Health and other agencies to support research activities, which in turn creates an economic impact of nearly \$90 million for the island of O'ahu every year; and

WHEREAS, 2021 marks the 50th anniversary of the UH Cancer Center; and

WHEREAS, this year is also the 25th anniversary of the designation of UH Cancer Center as a National Cancer Institute in 1996, making it one of only 71 designated cancer centers in the country and giving the people of Hawai'i access to cutting edge cancer treatments and the highest quality of cancer care; and

THEREFORE I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby recognize the 50th anniversary of the University of Hawai'i Cancer Center and its 25th anniversary as a designated National Cancer Institute. The center has been making 50 years of progress and remains an invaluable asset to the people of Hawai'i.

Done at the State Capitol in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this sixteenth day of June 2021.

DAVID Y. IGE
Governor, State of Hawai'i