

# *Proclamation*

## *Presented*

## **In Recognition of Conflict Resolution Day**

**WHEREAS**, the Association for Conflict Resolution – Hawai'i Chapter joins its partners in the islands:

- Hawai'i State Judiciary's Center for Alternative Dispute Resolution;
- Matsunaga Institute for Peace & Conflict Resolution;
- Hawai'i State Bar Association's Alternative Dispute Resolution Section;
- Mediation Centers of Hawai'i: Mediation Center of the Pacific; Ku'ikahi Mediation Center; Maui Mediation Services; Kaua'i Economic Opportunity Mediation Center; West Hawai'i Mediation Center

and fellow chapters and individuals around the world in celebrating "Conflict Resolution Day 2014" on October 16, 2014, to promote awareness of mediation, arbitration, conciliation and other peaceful means of resolving conflicts; and

**WHEREAS**, the Association for Conflict Resolution – Hawai'i Chapter instills the use of conflict resolution in schools, families, businesses, communities, government and the legal system—and recognizes the significant contributions of peaceful conflict resolvers; and

**WHEREAS**, the Association for Conflict Resolution – Hawai'i Chapter recognizes conflict resolution as encompassing mediation, arbitration, facilitation, collective decision-making and other responses to differences; and

**WHEREAS**, the Association for Conflict Resolution – Hawai'i Chapter acknowledges that conflict resolution processes empower individuals, families, communities, organizations and businesses to foster communication and devise solutions that are acceptable to the needs and interests of all parties involved; and

**WHEREAS**, the Association for Conflict Resolution – Hawai'i Chapter encourages conflict resolution, which is taught and practiced by students and adults of all ages in many school systems, business establishments and non-profit organizations throughout Hawai'i and the world as a way of resolving disputes;


**NOW, THEREFORE, I, NEIL ABERCROMBIE, Governor, and I, SHAN S. TSUTSUI, Lieutenant Governor** for the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim October 16, 2014, as

# **"CONFLICT RESOLUTION DAY"**

in Hawai'i, and ask all citizens of the Aloha State to join us in learning more about conflict resolution practices and apply them in their daily lives to promote peaceful and creative resolutions to disputes.

**DONE** at the State Capitol, in Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this eighth day of October, 2014.

  
NEIL ABERCROMBIE  
Governor, State of Hawai'i

  
SHAN S. TSUTSUI  
Lt. Governor, State of Hawai'i