



**STATE OF HAWAII
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

hereby presents this proclamation in honor of

**NATIONAL SCHOOL COUNSELING WEEK
FEBRUARY 6 – 10, 2017**

WHEREAS, school counselors are employed in schools to help students reach their full potential; and

WHEREAS, school counselors are actively committed to helping students explore their abilities, strengths, interests, and talents as these traits relate to career awareness and development; and

WHEREAS, school counselors help parents focus on ways to further the educational, personal and social growth of their children; and

WHEREAS, school counselors work with teachers and other educators to help students explore their potential and set realistic goals for themselves; and

WHEREAS, school counselors seek to identify and utilize community resources that can enhance and complement comprehensive school counseling programs and help students become productive members of society; and

WHEREAS, comprehensive developmental school counseling programs are considered an integral part of the educational process that enables all students to achieve success in school;

Therefore, I, Kathryn S. Matayoshi do hereby proclaim February 6–10, 2017, as National School Counseling Week.

Dated this 30th day of January, 2017

**Kathryn S. Matayoshi
Superintendent
Hawaii State Department of Education**