



Proclamation

Presented

In Recognition of 4p-/Wolf-Hirschhorn Syndrome Awareness Day

WHEREAS, 4p-/Wolf-Hirschhorn Syndrome Awareness Day highlights that the good health and general well-being of the people of Hawai'i are strengthened by our awareness and understanding of a genetic disorder known as 4p- syndrome, with Wolf-Hirschhorn as the main syndrome; and

WHEREAS, 4p-/Wolf-Hirschhorn Syndrome Awareness Day underlines that children with 4p- syndrome are usually born with low birth weight and develop slowly, both cognitively and physically, compared to their peers; and

WHEREAS, 4p-/Wolf-Hirschhorn Syndrome Awareness Day reminds us that dedicated professionals are presently involved in valuable research to explore new therapies and diagnostic tools, and to offer hope to persons with 4p- syndrome; and

WHEREAS, 4p-/Wolf-Hirschhorn Syndrome Awareness Day emphasizes that the 4p- Support Group estimates approximately 1,000 individuals in the United States have 4p- syndrome, though it is thought that many remain undiagnosed; and

WHEREAS, 4p-/Wolf-Hirschhorn Syndrome Awareness Day recognizes that the State of Hawai'i joins the rest of the nation in promoting a special celebration that seeks to raise awareness of 4p- syndrome, designed to have a positive and productive impact on the lives of all people with 4p- syndrome as well as their caregivers;

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

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in Hawai'i, and ask all citizens of the Aloha State to join us in working together as a people to increase research into understanding the syndrome, to advocate for effective diagnostic screenings, and to support the development of improved therapies for early intervention and other necessary and critical treatments, as well as join in recognizing and applauding the valuable role played by families and advocates of those who have 4p- syndrome in helping our medical community to advance the knowledge and awareness of this syndrome.

DONE at the State Capitol, in Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this sixteenth day of April 2014.


NEIL ABERCROMBIE
Governor, State of Hawai'i


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