



*Proclamation
Presented*

**In Recognition of
American Judicature Society Hawai'i Chapter Day
Honoring Professor Jon M. Van Dyke (Posthumous),
the Honorable James S. Burns (Retired) and Justice Simeon Acoba**

WHEREAS, the **American Judicature Society (AJS)**, founded in 1913, is an independent, non-partisan membership organization working nationally to protect the integrity of the American justice system; established in 1998, the Hawai'i chapter is the first AJS state chapter in the nation; and

WHEREAS, AJS's diverse and broadly based membership – including judges, lawyers, and members of the public – promotes fair and impartial courts through research, publications, education, and advocacy for judicial reform; the work of AJS focuses on judicial ethics, judicial selection, access to justice, criminal justice reform, and the jury system; and

WHEREAS, AJS is celebrating in 2013 a century of judicial reform; as part of AJS's centennial celebration, the AJS Hawai'i Chapter on Friday, November 1, 2013, will recognize Professor Jon M. Van Dyke (Posthumous) with the Herbert Harley Award, the Honorable James S. Burns (Retired) with the Lifetime Achievement Award, and Hawai'i Supreme Court Justice Simeon Acoba with the Dwight Opperman Award; and

WHEREAS, AJS recognizes that all three individuals have made a difference in very significant ways in protecting the integrity of the justice system in Hawai'i, in improving the quality of life for Hawai'i's people, and in serving as inspiration for emulation by others;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, NEIL ABERCROMBIE, Governor, and I, SHAN S. TSUTSUI, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim November 1, 2013, as

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in Hawai'i and encourage the people of the Aloha State to join us in recognizing the American Judicature Society for its work to protect the integrity of the justice system in Hawai'i.

DONE at the State Capitol, in Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this seventeenth day of October 2013.

NEIL ABERCROMBIE
Governor, State of Hawai'i

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