



Proclamation

Presented

In Recognition of Hawai'i National Board Certified Teachers' Day

WHEREAS, the Nation Board for Professional Teaching Standards was founded in 1987 with the mission to advance student learning and achievement by establishing the definitive standards and systems for certifying accomplished educators, providing programs and advocating policies that support excellence in teaching and leading, and engaging National Board Certified Teachers (NBCTs) and leaders in that process; and

WHEREAS, the Nation Board for Professional Teaching Standards reports that, by December 2012, the State of Hawai'i had 412 National Board Certified teachers; and

WHEREAS, the Nation Board for Professional Teaching Standards requires applicants complete a performance-based assessment, which can take from between one and three years to complete, and those certified teachers are nationally recognized as being among the best in the profession; and

WHEREAS, the Nation Board for Professional Teaching Standards research shows that students of National Board Certified teachers make greater gains on achievements tests over time than students taught by teachers who are not board certified; and

WHEREAS, the Nation Board for Professional Teaching Standards acknowledges the vital role that the National Board Certified Teachers play in the academic growth and development of Hawai'i's children;

THEREFORE I, NEIL ABERCROMBIE, Governor, and I, SHAN S. TSUTSUI, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim January 25, 2013, as

“HAWAI'I NATIONAL BOARD CERTIFIED TEACHERS' DAY”

in Hawai'i to recognize the Nation Board for Professional Teaching Standards for their outstanding work.

DONE at the State Capitol, in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this fourteenth of January 2013.

NEIL ABERCROMBIE
Governor, State of Hawai'i

SHAN TSUTSUI
Lt. Governor, State of Hawai'i