



Proclamation
Presented
In Recognition of
Oncology Nursing Month 2013

WHEREAS, Oncology Nurses provide invaluable service to the community by maintaining and improving the health and quality of life of cancer patients and their families by providing excellence in patient treatments, teaching, research, administration and education; and

WHEREAS, Oncology Nurses, as these dedicated professionals, continue to update their training, studying new treatments, technologies, changes in managed care, and evolving reimbursement policies in order to better serve their patients, and

WHEREAS, Oncology Nurses in Hawai'i are represented by the Oncology Nursing Society, Hawai'i (O'ahu) Chapter, which was founded in 1975 and is part of a national organization of more than 37,000 nurses and healthcare professionals dedicated to patient care, research, administration, and education in Oncology; and

WHEREAS, Oncology Nurses, as part of a network of more than 230 local chapters, supports the nursing workforce, promotes access to care, prevention and early detection of cancer, and reinforces the Oncology Nursing Society's mission to promote excellence in Oncology nursing and quality nursing care; and

WHEREAS, the Oncology Nursing Society each year designates May as Oncology Nursing Month in recognition of Oncology nurses, showcasing their significant accomplishments and increasing public awareness of the importance of their service; this year's theme, "Oncology Nurses: Exceptional People, Extraordinary Care," honors nurses for their commitment and dedication to quality care of patients and families;

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

"ONCOLOGY NURSING MONTH"

in Hawai'i and ask the people of the Aloha State to join us in honoring these dedicated professionals who work in the demanding field of Oncology, and we commend them for making a difference in thousands of lives by providing quality care and excellence to patients and their families.

DONE at the State Capitol, in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this thirty-first day of May, 2013.

NEIL ABERCROMBIE
Governor, State of Hawai'i

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