



*Proclamation*  
*Presented to the*  
**Pacific Gateway Center**

**WHEREAS**, the Pacific Gateway Center was founded in 1973 by Kaumakapili Church, St. Elizabeth's Church, and Aldersgate Church; and

**WHEREAS**, the Pacific Gateway Center has helped identify victims of human trafficking and spearheads a coalition of community partners to promote public awareness and education on human trafficking; and

**WHEREAS**, the Pacific Gateway Center has, for over four decades, created a holistic, integrated approach to best address the needs of its client populations through innovative and effective programs in social services, economic development and sustainability initiatives; and

**WHEREAS**, the Pacific Gateway Center established the nation's largest Culinary Business Incubator in 2003 to support the economically disadvantaged in creating jobs; and

**WHEREAS**, the Pacific Gateway Center, inspired by the needs of its clients, created the Hawai'i Language Bank with a professional, qualified staff of interpreters and translators in 35 languages; and

**WHEREAS**, the Pacific Gateway Center became a community development financial institution to provide microloans and business training to small entrepreneurs; and

**WHEREAS**, the Pacific Gateway Center is driven by a strong mission and programs designed to give hope that results in the social, physical and emotional well-being of our clients and their families; and

**WHEREAS**, the Pacific Gateway Center will be celebrating its 40<sup>th</sup> Birthday on Sunday, November 24, 2013 at the Keehi Lagoon Memorial Hall;

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, NEIL ABERCROMBIE, Governor, and I, SHAN S. TSUTSUI, Lieutenant Governor** for the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim November 24, 2013 as

**"PACIFIC GATEWAY CENTER DAY"**

in Hawai'i, and ask the people of the Aloha State to join us in congratulating the Pacific Gateway Center for empowering immigrants, refugees, and low-income families by supporting them to build skills that help them achieve self-sufficiency and assimilate into our communities.

**DONE** at the State Capitol, in Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this twenty-second day of November, 2013.

**NEIL ABERCROMBIE**  
Governor, State of Hawai'i

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