



Proclamation

Presented

In Recognition of the "Friendship Agreement" Meeting Between the Dai-Ichi Tokyo Bar Association and the Hawai'i State Bar Association

WHEREAS, personal interaction and relationships among international professionals remain integral to global collaboration and negotiations, even as worldwide technological advances give rise to increased international business opportunities; and

WHEREAS, in furtherance of this international business philosophy, the Hawai'i State Bar Association and the Dai-Ichi Tokyo Association in 2005 entered into a "Friendship Agreement," under which the parties agreed to "provide a framework which can deepen the mutual understanding of our profession and our professional bodies and continue to develop a positive and mutually beneficial relationships"; and

WHEREAS, an official "Friendship Agreement" meeting is planned during the weekend of September 9 and 10, 2012, in Tokyo; and

WHEREAS, the meeting's substantial program includes sessions on "*Cross-Border Transactions and Investment*," "*The Changing Practice of Law in Japan*" and "*Ethics and the International Lawyer*";

NOW, THEREFORE, I, NEIL ABERCROMBIE, Governor, and I, BRIAN SCHATZ, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim September 9 through 10, 2012, as

"FRIENDSHIP AGREEMENT WEEKEND"

in Hawai'i and encourage the people of the Aloha State to join us in commending the members of the Dai-Ichi Tokyo Bar Association and the Hawai'i State Bar Association for their efforts to further common professional goals and international business opportunities in Japan and Hawai'i.

DONE at the State Capitol, in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this thirtieth day of August, 2012.

NEIL ABERCROMBIE
Governor, State of Hawai'i

BRIAN SCHATZ
Lt. Governor, State of Hawai'i