

Proclamation Presented

In Recognition of the 10th Anniversary of Journey through the Universe 2014

WHEREAS, the 10th Anniversary of Journey through the Universe 2014 celebrates the educational initiative brought to fruition by the National Center for Earth and Space Science Education, bridging students, teachers, families and the public as they explore space and Earth science; and

WHEREAS, the 10th Anniversary of Journey through the Universe 2014 endorses sustained education in the critical areas of science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM), developing the splendor of learning beyond the classroom; and

WHEREAS, the 10th Anniversary of Journey through the Universe 2014 provides teachers with tools and training needed to conduct stimulating lessons in the classroom relevant to the Hawai'i Content and Performance Standards in addition to providing venues for family learning where parents and their children work together; and

WHEREAS, the 10th Anniversary of Journey through the Universe 2014 encourages participation in presentations conducted by Astronomer Educators highlighting workshops titled:

"Why Did Bees, Moths, Pigs, Fish, Frogs, Butterflies and Monkeys Fly in SPACE?"

"Talking Story and Building an Astro-Bridge to the Mainland;"

"Are We Alone? Life beyond Earth;"

"Planets: Near and Far;"

"Sharing the Skies — a Cross Cultural and Multi-Disciplinary View;" and

"Gravity - the World's Cheapest Space Suit"; and

WHEREAS, the 10th Anniversary of Journey through the Universe 2014 Ambassador's team is a significant contributor to the Journey through the Universe program, representing community members who motivate and support youth by facilitating transportation, distributing educational materials and coordinating classroom engagements; and

WHEREAS, the 10th Anniversary of Journey through the Universe 2014 strengthens the community by partnering with The Gemini Observatory, Hawai'i Department of Education Hilo/Waiakea Complex, 'Imiloa Astronomy Center of Hawai'i and observatories on Mauna Kea, as well as all the other contributing organizations in empowering participants with the magnificence of science and all its grandeur;

NOW, THEREFORE I, NEIL ABERCROMBIE, Governor, and I, SHAN S. TSUTSUI, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawaiʻi, do hereby proclaim March 8 – 14, 2014, as

"JOURNEY THROUGH THE UNIVERSE WEEK"

in Hawai'i to urge the people of the *Aloha* State to join us in the celebration of the 10th Anniversary of Journey through the Universe, which encourages Astronomy Educators and scientists to conduct classroom visits and motivate teachers and students to engage in scientific studies about the universe.

DONE at the State Capitol, in Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this eleventh day of February 2014.

Governor, State of Hawai'i

SHAN S. TSUTSUI

Lt. Governor, State of Hawai'i