

## **Electronic Records Day**

**WHEREAS**, the Ige Administration is committed to reducing the amount of paper the state uses and transforming the culture of government to embrace and accelerate change; and

**WHEREAS**, on October 1, 2015, the Office of the Governor, with assistance from the Office of Enterprise Technology Services, piloted the use of the state's "eSign Service" electronic signature solution, processing all documents electronically to the extent possible, resulting in 2,337 eSign transactions in three months; and

**WHEREAS**, the Office of Enterprise Technology Services expanded eSign Service statewide to increase government efficiency among Executive Branch departments, and adoption progressed rapidly resulting in 32,694 eSign transactions within six months of statewide deployment; and

**WHEREAS**, eSign Service as of October 10, 2016 has processed more than 64,000 (and counting) unique electronic transactions across departments, representing a reduction and associated savings in the use of paper, ink, and process time; and

**WHEREAS**, eSign Service is playing a critical role in transforming government operations, allowing the State of Hawai'i to progress from a paper-based state to one that is leading the nation in electronic signature capability and use; and

**WHEREAS**, the preservation of eSigned and other electronic records is an important and necessary part of embracing less paper-dependent ways of doing state business; and

**WHEREAS**, careful and thorough management of records has always been crucial to the proper functioning of a civil society through efficient utilization of resources, ensuring compliance, promoting open government and enabling citizens access to the government records; and

**WHEREAS**, Electronic Records Day began as an initiative of the Council of State Archivists of the United States and today is observed nationally as an opportunity to raise awareness about the crucial roles electronic records play in our world; and

**WHEREAS**, the Hawai'i State Archives, the state agency legally mandated to preserve and make accessible the historical records of the State, Territory, Republic and Kingdom of Hawai'i in the public trust since 1905, recognizes the importance and preservation of digital records of permanent value throughout the state; and

**WHEREAS**, the Office of Enterprise Technology Services and the Hawai'i State Archives pledge to work together to ensure that the State of Hawai'i's rich and diverse heritage contained within electronic records and documents created by state government officials and personnel for the people are preserved for the people of Hawai'i;

**THEREFORE I, DAVID Y. IGE**, Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim October 10, 2016, otherwise known as "1010," as

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in Hawai'i and ask all the people of the land to join me in recognizing the vital importance of electronic records in understanding and sharing the history of our state and to acknowledge the role that the Office of Enterprise Technology Services, Hawai'i State Archives, and other agencies and institutions play in promoting less paper-dependent processes as part of an effective, efficient and open state government.

**DONE** at the State Capitol, in Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this tenth day of October 2016.

Governor, State of Hawai'i

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