

# *Proclamation*

In 1972, Hope Morley Gray, along with members of the Social Concerns Committee established the Windward Senior Day Care Center. Its function was to provide a safe and affordable place where our kūpuna, ordinarily alone during the day, could come, be cared for and find camaraderie among others.

With a \$6,000 grant from the Hawai'i Community Foundation, plans were underway to improve a modest residence on the grounds of St. Christopher's Episcopal Church in Kailua that would eventually accommodate day care participants. Shortly after, on June 1, 1974, the Windward Senior Day Care Center officially opened its doors to four kūpuna and began operating with just two staff members. Since then, the center has grown, expanding in 1997 to include an additional nearby location at First Baptist Church on Kailua Road.

With the goal of maintaining and enhancing independence for all participants, the Windward Senior Day Care Center continues to offer daily programs for the mind and body. Participants enjoy classes in music and exercise, excursions, social interaction and a variety of nutritious meals. The seniors at the center gain a level of independence and the ability to live outside the traditional confines of long-term care facilities. In addition, it gives us great pleasure to celebrate the center's 35<sup>th</sup> anniversary the same year Hawai'i celebrates 50 years of statehood.

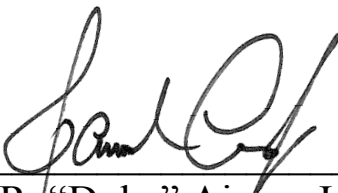
**THEREFORE, I, LINDA LINGLE, Governor, and I, JAMES R. "DUKE" AIONA, JR.,** Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim **September 20, 2009**, as

## **WINDWARD SENIOR DAY CARE CENTER DAY**

in Hawai'i, and recognize the many people who have contributed to this important center, which provides a safe, comfortable environment for the disabled, frail and memory impaired elderly of our state.

**DONE** at the State Capitol, in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this eighteenth day of September 2009.

  
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Linda Lingle  
Governor, State of Hawai'i

  
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James R. "Duke" Aiona, Jr.  
Lieutenant Governor, State of Hawai'i