



# *Proclamation*

## *Presented*

### **In Recognition of Multiple Chemical Sensitivity Month**

**WHEREAS**, MCS America mission statement is to gain medical, legal, and social recognition for Multiple Chemical Sensitivity (MCS) as a disorder of organic biological origin induced by toxic environmental insults; provide support and referral service to the individuals with Multiple Chemical Sensitivity (MCS), Chronic Fatigue Syndrome (CFS), Fibromyalgia (FM), and other environmental illnesses; and ensure that environmental toxicants are identified, reduced, regulated, and enforced through lobbying for effective legislation; and

**WHEREAS**, MCS America provides help to people of all ages in Hawai'i that have developed a condition known as Multiple Chemical Sensitivity (MCS), as a result of either a single massive exposure or repeated low-level exposures to toxic chemicals and other irritants in the environment; and

**WHEREAS**, MCS America raises awareness of Multiple Chemical Sensitivity (MCS), which is recognized by the World Health Organization, the International Classification of Diseases, the Americans with Disabilities Act, the Social Security Administration, the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development, the Environmental Protection Agency, and the Centers for Disease Control, as well as other State and Federal government agencies and commissions that support the health and welfare of the chemically injured; and

**WHEREAS**, MCS America provides understanding that Multiple Chemical Sensitivity (MCS) is a chronic condition for which there is no known cure; symptoms include chronic fatigue, muscle and joint pains, rashes, asthma, headaches, and other respiratory and neurological problems; and

**WHEREAS**, MCS America affords individuals with Multiple Chemical Sensitivity (MCS) the knowledge that major financial, employment, housing, health, and social consequences may arise from this disability; and

**WHEREAS**, MCS America assists individuals with Multiple Chemical Sensitivity (MCS) adjust to and manage their condition with the supportive help of their family, friends, and co-workers;

**THEREFORE I, NEIL ABERCROMBIE, Governor, and I, BRIAN SCHATZ, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim May, 2011 as**

### **"MULTIPLE CHEMICAL SENSITIVITY AWARENESS MONTH"**

in Hawai'i and encourage the people of the Aloha State to join us in recognizing MCS America for its contributions to the health and wellness of our communities.

**DONE** at the State Capitol, in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this twenty-eighth day of April, 2011.

**NEIL ABERCROMBIE**

Governor, State of Hawai'i

**BRIAN SCHATZ**

Lt. Governor, State of Hawai'i