Supreme Court of the State of Hawai'I



Proclamation

WHEREAS, **Dr. Irwin Schatz** grew up in Winnipeg, Manitoba, graduated from the University of Manitoba with undergraduate and medical degrees, and made his first mark in Hawai'i in a medical residency at Queen's Hospital in 1956. In 1961, he completed a three-year fellowship at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minnesota. Following his fellowship, Dr. Schatz put his personal career on hold to provide free medical care in Latin America and Africa as a volunteer physician aboard the SS Hope, the first peacetime hospital ship; and

WHEREAS, in 1975, after volunteering on the SS Hope and subsequently holding positions at Henry Ford Hospital, Wayne State University, and the University of Michigan, Dr. Schatz returned to Honolulu making it his permanent home; and

WHEREAS, throughout the ensuing years, Dr. Schatz made remarkable contributions to the University of Hawai'i John A. Burns School of Medicine and more generally to Hawaii's medical community; and

WHEREAS, on October 27, 1998, the Judiciary became the beneficiary of Dr. Schatz's talent and acumen when he was appointed as a member of the Judicial Council. Throughout his 17 years of service on the Council, Dr. Schatz remained dedicated and diligent in advancing the Council's work, providing valuable advice to the Judiciary and recommending nominees to the Ethics Commission and Campaign Spending Commission. His invaluable service was the epitome of a passionate public servant; and

WHEREAS, on October 30, 2009, Dr. Schatz was appointed to the Disciplinary Board of the Hawai'i Supreme Court, tasked with overseeing the lawyer ethics and discipline system in Hawai'i. His service on the Board was marked with honor, distinction, and self-sacrifice; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Schatz was a man of much intellect, courage, compassion, integrity, and grace, and was also known for his warmth and good humor. He understood the power of listening and empathy to prevent and solve problems. His keen and balanced practical insight and his medical expertise will be greatly missed.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK E. RECKTENWALD, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim this day, May 31, 2015, to be

DR. IRWIN SCHATZ REMEMBRANCE DAY in the Courts of the State of Hawai'i

DONE, at the Supreme Court of the State of Hawai'i, this 31st day of May, 2015.

MARK E. RECKTENWALD Chief Justice, Hawaiʻi State Supreme Court