

Proclamation No. 2016-022

*Proclaiming*

THE MONTH OF MARCH 2016 AS  
**NATIONAL NUTRITION MONTH**  
AND MARCH 9, 2016 AS  
**REGISTERED DIETITIAN DAY**

**WHEREAS**, the health and well being of our island residents is critical toward progress and growth in the community. Healthy lifestyles, including diet and routine physical activity, promote productivity and, also fights against preventable diseases.

On Guam, we see an alarming rate of heart disease, diabetes, and heart attacks. Thousands of our islanders of every age and socio-economic level face the challenges of obesity and unhealthy lifestyles. These can lead to costly health care and affect a person's quality of life. However, they are preventable and treatable with proper diet and exercise.

National Nutrition Month & Registered Dietitian Day is a nationwide campaign aimed at raising awareness, and providing education and information about healthier lifestyles. Outreach and advocacy focuses attention on the importance of making informed food choices and developing healthy eating and physical habits. On Guam, we mirror the same mission as our U.S. counterparts and share the same goal for a healthier island community.

Today, we celebrate the professional men and women who help residents initiate healthy lifestyle habits. With the help of registered dieticians, we can better understand the science of nutrition and translate it into practical solutions for healthy living, use their nutrition expertise to help us make unique, positive lifestyle changes and advance our understanding on nutritional importance.

A healthy community stems from practicing healthy lifestyle habits. Through public campaigns, like National Nutrition Month, our community can continue making healthier choices and together we can overcome the health challenges that face our island.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, EDDIE BAZA CALVO**, *I Maga' Låhen Guåhan*, Governor of Guam, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Organic Act of Guam, as amended, do hereby proclaim the month of **March 2016** as **National Nutrition Month**. This month, we join together to raise awareness about choosing the right foods, and making exercise a daily part of our routine. I further proclaim **March 9, 2016** as **Registered Dietician Day**. We celebrate the work of community health leaders who are helping island residents make the proper decisions for their wellness.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I hereby set my hand and cause the Great Seal of Guam to be affixed in the Capital City of *Hagåtña*, on this **First** day of **March** in the Year of Our Lord, *Anno Domini*, **Two Thousand Sixteen**.



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*I Maga' Låhen Guåhan*  
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Proclamation No. 2016-23  
PROCLAIMING MARCH 2016

## DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES AWARENESS MONTH

**WHEREAS**, the Guam Developmental Disabilities Council advocates for programs that promote positive system changes that help individuals with developmental disabilities achieve independence while improving their quality of life. The Guam Developmental Disabilities Council encourages all Guam citizens to actively participate in events that recognize and celebrate Guam's diverse population, including individuals with developmental disabilities.

"Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month" has been established to promote awareness and understanding of the opportunities, challenges, and needs of individuals with disabilities. The month recognizes Guam's public policy accomplishments concerning our island's individuals with developmental disabilities and serves as an opportunity to further the improvements to public policy that are needed to ensure that all of Guam's people with developmental disabilities have the support they need to lead full, productive, and engaged lives.

This year's theme is "Standing and Celebrating Togetherness Side by Side," encouraging our island to understand and learn more about the people in the community with developmental disabilities

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## COLORECTAL CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

**WHEREAS**, colorectal cancer is the third most commonly diagnosed cancer and the second most common cause of cancer deaths in the nation. Every three minutes, someone is diagnosed with colorectal cancer and every ten minutes, someone dies from it, with colorectal cancer claiming more than 50,000 lives each year.

Friends and loved ones will be taken from us too soon by this disease, and the pain of cancer will touch too many of our island families. During Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month, we recognize all those who have been affected by the disease, and we renew our commitment to a lifesaving endeavor, raising awareness of colorectal cancer and the importance of screening.

The odds of survival rise dramatically when the cancer is caught early. Colorectal cancer is often preventable, and early detection and treatment are critical. This is why it's important for people of all ages to discuss colorectal cancer with their health care providers and understand the recommendations for, and benefits of, screening. Not only can testing save your life, it can also provide peace of mind to your family and loved ones.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, EDDIE BAZA CALVO**, *I Maga'Låhen Guåhan*, Governor of Guam, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Organic Act of Guam, as amended, do hereby proclaim **March 2016** as **Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month**. Everyone has a role to play in reducing deaths from colorectal cancer. This month, I encourage everyone to talk to their parents, grandparents, or friends of all ages about getting screened. If we look out for one another, we can better the chances of survival and keep more families whole.

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Proclamation No. 2016-025

PROCLAIMING MARCH 6, 2016 – MARCH 12, 2016 AS  
**WOMEN IN CONSTRUCTION WEEK**

**WHEREAS**, in looking forward to a future of dynamic economic growth driven by Guam's construction sector, we celebrate the significant contributions of Guam's women to the industry, and affirm the island's commitment to recruiting and preparing our construction workforce for the abundant opportunities ahead.

The National Association of Women in Construction (NAWIC), in its mission to enhance the success of women in the construction industry, will play a vital role in supporting our island's workforce. NAWIC Guam will provide a network of support and a resource of wide-ranging expertise for Guam's women as they further their careers in the industry. In advancing career and educational opportunities for women, educating the community about non-traditional careers, and furnishing a space for sharing knowledge and ideas about our local industry, NAWIC Guam will further equip our island's women as they contribute their professionalism, hard work, and resilience to the industry and the region.

NAWIC Guam will promote early interest in the construction career path among Guam's youth, fostering future women engineers, architects, business owners, and technicians, through programs such as Block Kids at the elementary school level and Pizza, Pop & Power Tools at the middle and high school levels. NAWIC Guam will continue that support young working women by raising funds for scholarships in construction-related fields at the GCA Trades Academy.

NAWIC Guam will provide continuing education opportunities for Guam's women through the NAWIC Education Foundation, which offers home study programs that complement student schedules and allows students to remain on island while they pursue further professional development.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, EDDIE BAZA CALVO**, *I Maga'Låhen Guåhan*, Governor of Guam, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Organic Act of Guam, as amended, do hereby proclaim **March 6-12, 2016 as Women in Construction Week**. In doing so, I urge the people of Guam to recognize the importance of our construction industry and its role in the development and progress of our island.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I hereby set my hand and cause the Great Seal of Guam to be affixed in the Capital City of *Hagåtña*, on this **Fourth** day of **March** in the Year of Our Lord, *Anno Domini*, **Two Thousand Sixteen**.



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Proclamation No. 2016-026  
PROCLAIMING MARCH 2016  
*in Celebration of*  
**WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH**

**WHEREAS**, women on Guam, varied and diverse in skill and ability, of every race, socioeconomic and ethnic background, continue to contribute to our community's progress and sustained growth.

This year's theme: Women's History Month is "Working to Form a More Perfect Union: Honoring Women in Public Service and Government." As we celebrate Women's History Month, we recognize the crucial role played by women throughout Guam's history enriching our culture, strengthening our island, and providing opportunities for future generations.

Women are at the forefront of entrepreneurship, creating new jobs, sustaining Guam's growing economy and leading men and women in both the public and private sectors. Today, we continue to see the rise of the women, working towards a common goal to improve all facets of life on Guam, through leadership in industries including public service, education, medicine, finance, armed services and hospitality.

On Guam, we are so honored and blessed to have women who tirelessly devote themselves to not only the betterment of our island, but to the overall advancement of women through gender equality, paving the way for the future of women through the empowerment of young girls on our island. As such, we, as a united island community should never overlook or undervalue, the role of women on Guam, as women have unjustly and ignorantly been in the past.

As Guam commemorates Women's History Month, we congratulate members of the Filipino Ladies Association of Guam as they celebrate 55 years of fostering unity and relations among its members and improving and conserving the bonds of friendship existing among the Filipino community and the people of Guam. Through the years, the association has donated medical equipment to the Guam Memorial Hospital, constructed and renovated the Sampaguita Pavilion at Ypao Beach, donated for the construction of various statues around Guam, annually funded two scholars at the University of Guam, supported various non-profit organizations such as the American Cancer Society, American Red Cross, St. Dominic's Senior Care Home, Erica's House and many more.

We also congratulate the Guam Council of Women's Clubs whose member organizations include: the Filipino Ladies Association of Guam, Soroptimist International of Guam, Soroptimist International of the Marianas, Guam Women's Club, International Women's Club of Guam, Chinese Ladies Association of Guam, Guam Memorial Hospital Volunteers Association, Korean Women's Association of Guam, Palau Women's Club, Rigalu Foundation, Japan Club of Guam, Guam Latte Stone Lions Club, American Association of University Women and the National Association of Women in Construction.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, EDDIE BAZA CALVO**, *I Maga'Låhen Guåhan*, Governor of Guam, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Organic Act of Guam, as amended, **do hereby proclaim March 2016 as Women's History Month**. I call upon everyone on our island to observe this month by appreciating the beauty and strength of our island's women. In doing so, let us also celebrate the countless contributions of every woman on Guam, past, present and future generations of daughters, sisters, mothers and wives, as they continue to make lasting, meaningful impressions on our society for all of Guam.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I hereby set my hand and cause the Great Seal of Guam to be affixed in the Capital City of *Hagåtña*, on this **Tenth** day of **March** in the Year of Our Lord, *Anno Domini*, **Two Thousand Sixteen**.



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Proclamation No. 2016-027

PROCLAIMING THE WEEK OF MARCH 13 – 19, 2016

*In Celebration, Recognition and Honor of*

## **PATIENT SAFETY AWARENESS WEEK**

**WHEREAS**, our island's healthcare community acknowledges the importance of creating an environment where patients and the individuals who care for them are free from harm. Patient safety is a priority, and this can be achieved through the joint efforts of our public and private health care organizations and professionals.

The Guam Memorial Hospital Authority, Guam Regional Medical City, United States Naval Hospital Guam, Guam Behavioral Health and Wellness Center and Department of Public Health and Social Services have joined together, recognizing the importance of safe care. It's the dedication of our island's health organizations and health care professionals, striving to provide the highest level of safe, quality, health care that makes improvement in patient safety possible.

Increased improvement in patient safety can be achieved by promoting the best practices within the healthcare industry and through continuous and effective communication between patients and their caregivers and providers. Everyone in the healthcare process plays a role in delivering safe care. From frontline staff and administrators to patient advocates, nurses and doctors, patient safety is an important part of giving every patient the highest quality of care.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, EDDIE BAZA CALVO**, *I Maga'Lâhen Guåhan*, Governor of Guam, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Organic Act of Guam, as amended, do hereby proclaim **March 13-19** in celebration, recognition and honor of **Patient Safety Awareness Week**.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I hereby set my hand and cause the Great Seal of Guam to be affixed in the Capital City of *Hagåtña*, on this **Tenth** day of **March** in the Year of Our Lord, *Anno Domini*, **Two Thousand Sixteen**.



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Proclamation No. 2016-028

PROCLAIMING MARCH 2016  
*in Celebration, Recognition, and Honor of*  
**GUAM GIRL SCOUTS**

**WHEREAS**, the Guam Girl Scouts movement has continued to flourish on our island for over 80 years as it fulfills the need for girls to have a safe, and positive place to make friends, develop skills and become happy, service-minded citizens.

Successful women make for a successful Guam. Young girls, ages 5 – 17, regardless of ability, race, socioeconomic background or ethnicity, have an opportunity to be molded by the Guam Girl Scouts and their community partners to develop important life skills. These skills will enable them to become productive, positive and multifaceted in their abilities as they enter adulthood and contribute to our island. As such, members of the Guam Girl Scouts will then become a part of our history by enriching our culture, strengthening our island, and providing opportunities for future generations of girl scouts.

Girls Scouting is volunteer-driven, with adults generously sharing their time and talents with, and for the girls. Whether as troop leaders, board members, skill-instructors or event organizers, volunteers provide the girls positive guidance and support. The Guam Girl Scouts are a family, fostering lasting friendships and learning together about the importance of working together for common goals. Members of the Girl Scouts are innovative, ambitious, and confident leaders, spearheading community projects that benefit other children, and organizations.

The Guam Girl Scouts are fortunate to have ongoing partnerships with the First Lady of Guam, Advance Management, the Department of Agriculture, Angocos Trucking, BankPacific, Coca Cola-Foremost, Cost-U-Less, Dickerson & Quinn, Guam Community College, Guam Premier Outlets, Guam Women's Club, Matson, the National Park Service, Nissan Motor Corp. in Guam, the Pacific Islands Club, Rexall, St. John's School, Sugar Plum Tree, the Salvation Army, the University of Guam, United Airlines and many other local agencies, businesses, media, schools and organizations.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, EDDIE BAZA CALVO**, *I Maga' Låhen Guåhan*, Governor of Guam by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Organic Act of Guam, as amended, do hereby proclaim the month of **March 2016** in celebration, recognition, and honor of **Guam Girl Scouts**. It is a privilege for Ray and I to recognize the members, volunteers, and business partners of Girl Scouts who are changing lives every day, and are sharing their talents and resources throughout the island. As we celebrate the 104<sup>th</sup> birthday of the Girl Scouts Organization and the 81<sup>st</sup> birthday of the Guam Girl Scouts, we commend their continued tradition of service, leadership, and making a difference on our island and throughout the world.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I hereby set my hand and cause the Great Seal of Guam to be affixed in the Capital City of *Hagåtña* on this **Eleventh** day of **March**, in the year of our Lord, *Anno Domini*, **Two Thousand Sixteen**.



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PROCLAIMING MARCH 17 – MARCH 24, 2016

*in Celebration, Recognition, and Honor of*

## AIR FORCE RESERVE WEEK

**WHEREAS**, the United States Air Force Reserve has contributed to the regional and global defenses of our island, and country for the past 35 years. In 1981, a group of 64 Guam citizens started the rich legacy of what has come to be known as the 44<sup>th</sup> Aerial Port Squadron, the largest aerial port in all of the Air Force Command. Today, more than 200 members of our community are a part of our island's Air Force Reserve family.

As it says in the Airman's Creed, our reservists are our nation's sword and shield, sentry and avenger. But these men and women who have answered the call to duty are more than that. They are "citizen warriors," not only serving as part of our country's Armed Forces but also serving as police officers, firefighters, educators, students and more. Our airmen and airwomen truly exemplify the Air Force motto of "Integrity first, service before self, and excellence in all we do" in all areas of their lives.

While the Air Force Reserve's service during wartime is essential, it's each and every reservist's contributions and commitment to our island that touch us the most, as their bravery and compassion are proven thousands of miles from the nearest battlefield and closest to home. From volunteering for school cleanups to providing support to their brothers and sisters in arms, our airmen and airwomen give back to our community on their own time.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, EDDIE BAZA CALVO**, *I Maga' Låhen Guåhan*, Governor of Guam by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Organic Act of Guam, as amended, do hereby proclaim the week of **March 17 – March 24, 2016** in celebration, recognition, and honor of **Air Force Reserve Week**. As we celebrate the Air Force Reserve's rich past, know that you have the support and admiration of the Calvo Tenorio administration. We commend you for your service and congratulate you on 35 years of excellence.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I hereby set my hand and cause the Great Seal of Guam to be affixed in the Capital City of *Hagåtña* on this **Seventeenth** day of **March**, in the year of our Lord, *Anno Domini*, **Two Thousand Sixteen**.



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Proclamation No. 2016-030

PROCLAIMING MARCH 29, 2016  
*in Celebration, Recognition, and Honor of*  
**VIETNAM VETERANS DAY**

**WHEREAS**, on March 29, 1973, the last American troops were withdrawn from South Vietnam, ending one of the longest and most challenging wars in our country's history. Forty-three years later, we continue to pay tribute to the brave men and women who wore the uniform of our Armed Forces during the time, serving in the conflict with courage, honor and valor.

More than **two million** Americans answered the call of duty during the Vietnam War. Despite significant disruptions in their lives and other personal sacrifices, they answered the call of their country and served with great distinction. They left the warmth of their families to brave the line of fire, fighting day after day to preserve the liberties and freedoms we hold dear. Sadly, many of our heroes returned home without receiving the proper respect and gratitude they deserved for their courageous service, fighting a war few understood. They received treatment unbecoming of their courage and welcomes unworthy of their example.

Today, we reaffirm our dedication to showing a generation of veterans the respect and support of a grateful island and nation they deserve. We pay tribute to those we have laid to rest, with more than **58,000** individuals making the ultimate sacrifice in Vietnam. Among them were **77** Guam sons, a profound loss for our island and her people. We also will never forget the **2,086** Americans who never returned home and were never laid to rest, still missing and unaccounted for from the Vietnam conflict. Today, we show all those who have worn the uniform of the United States the respect and dignity they deserve, honoring their sacrifice by serving them as well as they served us.

Our administration recognizes, honors and thanks our veterans for their faithful service and courageous sacrifices during the Vietnam War. We also extend our heartfelt appreciation to our veterans' families, who shared the burden of their loved ones' service. Our Vietnam veterans have earned our everlasting gratitude, and we commend them for their bravery and heroism.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, EDDIE BAZA CALVO**, *I Maga'Låhen Guåhan*, Governor of Guam, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Organic Act of Guam, as amended, do hereby proclaim **March 29, 2016** as **Vietnam Veterans Day**. On behalf of our entire administration and the people of Guam, Ray and I express our heartfelt gratitude to our brothers who made the ultimate sacrifice over 40 years ago. Today, our thoughts and prayers are with the families who are in mourning over the tragic loss of their loved ones.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I hereby set my hand and cause the Great Seal of Guam to be affixed in the Capital City of *Hagåtña* on this **Thirtieth** day of **March**, in the year of our Lord, *Anno Domini*, **Two Thousand Sixteen**.



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Proclamation No. 2016-031

PROCLAIMING THE MONTH OF APRIL  
*in Celebration, Recognition, and Honor of*  
**AUTISM AWARENESS MONTH**

**WHEREAS**, over **70 million** people around the world have autism spectrum disorder, with autism affecting many in our island family. They strengthen our community by adding to the diversity of our people; enriching our world with their unique and individual spirits and reminding us that everyone deserves a fair shot at opportunity.

According to data from the Guam Department of Education's Division of Special Education, **194** children have been diagnosed with autism spectrum disorder this school year with a number of adults being diagnosed as well. These individuals have amazing support systems made up of family members, friends, doctors and advocates who love and care for them, helping them pursue their full measure of personal happiness and ensuring they achieve their greatest potential.

This year's theme, "Acceptance in Action," highlights our community's dedication to supporting members of our community and their families who live with autism. We can create an environment where all people on the autism spectrum feel welcome and are treated with respect. Together, we can ensure every person with autism spectrum disorder is provided with the opportunity to achieve the highest possible quality of life.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, EDDIE BAZA CALVO**, *I Maga'Låhen Guåhan*, Governor of Guam, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Organic Act of Guam, as amended, do hereby proclaim **2016** in celebration, recognition and honor of **Autism Awareness Month**. Ray and I commend everyone involved in the crucial care and development of all those affected by autism. We urge our entire island community to lend support those special individuals who devote much of their time and attention to raising awareness about autism.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I hereby set my hand and cause the Great Seal of Guam to be affixed in the Capital City of *Hagåtña* on this **First** day of **April**, in the year of our Lord, *Anno Domini*, **Two Thousand Sixteen**.



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Proclamation No. 2016-032

PROCLAIMING THE MONTH OF APRIL  
*in Celebration, Recognition, and Honor of*  
**SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS AND CHILD ABUSE  
PREVENTION MONTH  
AND APRIL 10-16 CRIME VICTIMS' RIGHTS WEEK**

**WHEREAS**, sexual assault, child abuse and family violence are dangerous problems that significantly impact our community. These violent crimes are a terrible reality, affecting everyone from our society's youngest members, children, who need our love and care, to the public officials who lead our island.

Our community must join forces in the fight against sex crimes and child abuse, working together to educate everyone about sexual assault and child abuse prevention. We must learn the signs of sexual assault and how to protect ourselves from sexual predators to help make our environment a safer place. We also must learn the signs of child abuse so that we may be the voice against the abuse and neglect that prevent so many children from having the opportunity to thrive and live a healthy life. **Prevention is possible:** with powerful advocacy, we can help reduce the number of violent crimes that occur on our island. Awareness of an issue is the first step towards change, and through preventive education, we can all work together to address these problems in our community.

While we can help put an end to the physical abuse that are the hallmark of these violent crimes, we must not forget about the mental scars that victims of these crimes are left with. Oftentimes, our justice system protects us from seeing the pain and suffering that victims endure, with police officers, social workers, and other advocates and non-profit groups witnessing the tragedy of child abuse, sexual assault, and other violent crimes one too many times. But these victims are not alone. True to this year's Crime Victims' Rights Week theme, "**Serving Victims, Building Trust, and Restoring Hope,**" we must raise awareness of victims' rights, address their unmet needs and advocate on their behalf. Together, we can put an end to these violent crimes and help victims of these crimes begin healing and recovery.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, EDDIE BAZA CALVO**, *I Maga'Lâhen Guåhan*, Governor of Guam, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Organic Act of Guam, as amended, do hereby proclaim **April 2016** as **Sexual Assault Awareness Month** and **April 19-25** as **Crime Victims' Rights Week**. Sexual assault and crimes against children are senseless, immoral and violent crimes that know no gender, race, age or ethnicity. Ray and I urge the entire island to report these crimes and encourage silent victims to seek proper help. Furthermore, we offer our sincerest un dângkulu na si Yu'os ma'åse to all the dedicated men and women who work hard to combat these crimes and to those who advocate on behalf of all victims everywhere.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I hereby set my hand and cause the Great Seal of Guam to be affixed in the Capital City of *Hagåtña*, on this **First** day of **April** in the Year of Our Lord, *Anno Domini*, **Two Thousand Sixteen**.



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Proclamation No. 2016-033

PROCLAIMING APRIL 7, 2016  
*in Celebration, Recognition, and Honor of*

**WORLD HEALTH DAY**

**WHEREAS**, we must inspire our island community to be proactive in preventing diabetes, one of primary contributors of mortality on Guam. Diabetes is a chronic and non-communicable disease that is known to affect 11-percent of the population on Guam, with another 3.8-percent not knowing they have diabetes or pre-diabetes. Many individuals on our island are related to or know at least one person, who is diagnosed with diabetes, and as a community, we must promote awareness of the prevention and control of diabetes.

We call on health care providers, partners, advocates, and most importantly, our island's families to come together on the front lines against diabetes for World Health Day 2016 in honor of its theme: **"Together on the Front Lines Against Diabetes."** With the global prevalence of diabetes steadily increasing over the past few decades, it's clear that now more than ever we must work towards a healthier future for our island.

As we celebrate World Health Day along with Guam Diabetes Alert Day and work towards preventing diabetes, let's also work on helping our friends and family who have already been diagnosed and are bravely fighting the disease. These health celebrations serve as a reminder for those living with diabetes that assistance is available for managing the disease and preventing further complications. We recognize the impact diabetes has on the lives of our island's people, and we rededicate our talents, skills and knowledge to preventing, treating and curing it.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, EDDIE BAZA CALVO**, *I Maga'Låhen Guåhan*, Governor of Guam, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Organic Act of Guam, as amended, do hereby proclaim **April 7** as **World Health Day**. Together, we can take the small steps that lead to big rewards and a healthier future for all everyone on Guam and the world. On behalf of our entire administration, Ray and I urge our island community to get screened for the disease and take the proper steps in managing their health. After all, healthy people make for a healthy Guam.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I hereby set my hand and cause the Great Seal of Guam to be affixed in the Capital City of *Hagåtña*, on this **Second** day of **April** in the Year of Our Lord, *Anno Domini*, **Two Thousand Sixteen**.



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Proclamation No. 2016-034

PROCLAIMING APRIL 2 – 10, 2016  
*in Celebration, Recognition, and Honor of*

## GUAM WOMEN'S TACKLE FOOTBALL WEEK

**WHEREAS**, the Guam Women's Tackle Football League (GWTFLL) has created a positive, safe and fun environment for the women who play the game and for the fans that come out to watch and support the teams. Committed to player safety, community service, honesty, and integrity in mind, the GWTFLL has brought awareness to the athletic talents of our island's women, bringing the recognition to women's football that it deserves.

Women from every team in the GWTFLL come from different walks of life. They are mothers, wives, daughters and sisters who, despite their differences in age, race and skill level, have come together to celebrate their drive and passion for football. The GWTFLL is a sisterhood, providing these women an opportunity to bond and take part in team building exercises and creating camaraderie within the league.

During practices, games and events, these women exchange their titles of teachers, students, and professionals for a uniform, helmet and pads taking the field in the name of a little healthy competition and fun. As with other women's athletic leagues, the GWTFLL also promotes a healthy and active lifestyle.

The GWTFLL has changed the perception and exposure of football on Guam. While football has traditionally been driven by men with female athletes having struggled to gain recognition for their talents, the women of the GWTFLL have gained huge strides, one yard at a time. Women in the GWTFLL are known to possess the same level of agility, speed, mental fortitude and physicality of their male counterparts. The same strengths and tenacity that women display at home and in their professions can be seen on the field.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, EDDIE BAZA CALVO**, *I Maga' Låhen Guåhan*, Governor of Guam, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Organic Act of Guam, as amended, do hereby proclaim **April 2 – 10, 2016** as **Guam Women's Tackle Football Week**. As we welcome the start of the Guam Women's Tackle Football League, Ray and I urge the entire island community to come out and support their favorite team! On behalf of our entire administration, we wish the organizers, sponsors and teams a safe and successful season.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I hereby set my hand and cause the Great Seal of Guam to be affixed in the Capital City of *Hagåtña*, on this **Fourth** day of **April** in the Year of Our Lord, *Anno Domini*, **Two Thousand Sixteen**.



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Proclamation No. 2016-035

PROCLAIMING APRIL 10-16, 2016  
*in Celebration, Recognition, and Honor of*  
**NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK**  
AND APRIL 12, 2016  
**LIBRARY WORKERS' DAY**

**WHEREAS**, our island's libraries have been essential to Guam's educational advancement, helping change the lives of our island's residents. Our libraries enrich the life of our island, bringing the people informational, cultural, and recreational materials of all kinds that help promote a better-read and better-informed society.

Our libraries are part of the Guamanian Dream – they are places for opportunity, education, self-help and lifelong learning that help us discover a world of knowledge. True to its mission of providing free and open access to information, the Guam Public Library System lives up to this year's National Library Week theme, "**Libraries Transform.**" The library system is a key player when it comes to narrowing the "digital divide," continuously growing and evolving to meet the ever-changing needs of our community and leveling the playing field for all those who seek information.

Just as our libraries have a special place in our community, so do the men and women of our Guam Public Library System who work tirelessly to coordinate and facilitate our island's quest for knowledge. Without our librarians and employees, our library system would not be the success it is today. We commend all of our island's library staff and the valuable contributions that they make.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, EDDIE BAZA CALVO**, *I Maga'Låhen Guåhan*, Governor of Guam, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Organic Act of Guam, as amended, do hereby proclaim **April 10 – 16** as **National Library Week** and **April 12** as **Library Workers' Day**. I encourage all residents to visit the Guam Public Library to take advantage of the wonderful resources we have available. On behalf of our entire administration, we also commend the hard working individuals who make Guam's public library system possible.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I hereby set my hand and cause the Great Seal of Guam to be affixed in the Capital City of *Hagåtña*, on this **Eighth** day of **April** in the Year of Our Lord, *Anno Domini*, **Two Thousand Sixteen**.



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**PROCLAIMING APRIL 10-16, 2016**  
*in Celebration, Recognition, and Honor of*  
**WEEK OF THE YOUNG CHILD**

**WHEREAS**, children are the future of our island's legacy. All young children and their families deserve access to a strong start with high-quality early care. The support, resources and public awareness of early childhood learning initiatives and programs serve as an investment into our community's future.

Throughout the week of April 10 – 16, 2016, Guam will join the nation in celebrating the **Week of the Young Child**, which highlights our collective commitment to ensuring that we do our utmost as parents, educators, professionals and leaders to give every child a strong and early start for academic success. Today, we know more than ever before, about the importance of children's earliest years in shaping their learning and development. We must recognize that children's opportunities are our responsibilities, and we must ensure each and every child experiences the type of early environment that will promote their early learning, whether it's at home, at childcare, at school or in the community.

We must promote awareness of the needs of our island's young children and their families. Numerous organizations have dedicated their efforts to improving our island's early childhood opportunities, which are crucial to the growth and development of young children and to building better futures for everyone on Guam. We recognize and support the people, programs and policies that are committed to high-quality early childhood education as the right choice for kids. This commitment and support of our island's young children provide a foundation of learning, one that will benefit our island as a whole.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, EDDIE BAZA CALVO**, *I Maga'Låhen Guåhan*, Governor of Guam, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Organic Act of Guam, as amended, do hereby proclaim **April 10 – 16** as **The Week of the Young Child**. First Lady Christine and I urge everyone in our island community to recognize the value and importance of every child's positive experiences, as it goes a great length in shaping their learning and development during their earliest years. On behalf of our entire administration, we commend the people, organizations and services that make a difference in the lives of the young children of Guam.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I hereby set my hand and cause the Great Seal of Guam to be affixed in the Capital City of *Hagåtña*, on this **Eleventh** day of **April** in the Year of Our Lord, *Anno Domini*, **Two Thousand Sixteen**.



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## PROCLAIMING THE MONTH OF APRIL 2016

*in Celebration, Recognition, and Honor of*

# FAIR HOUSING MONTH

**WHEREAS**, our island is committed to providing fair and equal housing opportunities for everyone. In 1968, the Fair Housing Act was signed into law, protecting individuals' abilities to own or rent property free from discrimination based on race, color, religion, sex, national origin, family status or disability. Nearly 50 years later, we continue to support fair housing on Guam, with the noble goal of affording all our island's residents the opportunity to pursue the home of their dreams and seek the housing of their choice.

The people of Guam truly know the meaning of diversity and understand that our differences make us stronger, not weaker. Because of this, as a community, we dedicate the month of April to reaffirming our commitment to equality of opportunity in the housing industry. Our island welcomes the opportunity to reaffirm our commitment to fair housing for all and is committed to all efforts that address discrimination in our communities.

We thank the Guam Association of REALTORS® for supporting programs that educate the public concerning their rights to equal housing and planning partnership efforts with other organizations to help assure everyone of their rights to fair housing. The goal of equal housing opportunity can only be accomplished with the help and cooperation of our entire island, and we encourage everyone to celebrate the advancements of equal access to housing.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, EDDIE BAZA CALVO**, *I Maga'Låhen Guåhan*, Governor of Guam, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Organic Act of Guam, as amended, do hereby proclaim **April as Fair Housing Month**. On behalf of our entire administration, Lieutenant Governor Ray Tenorio and I encourage the people of Guam to support fair housing practices so we can build an even brighter future for this great island that we call home. With your support, the Guamanian dream of home ownership will continue to be a reality for many on Guam.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I hereby set my hand and cause the Great Seal of Guam to be affixed in the Capital City of *Hagåtña*, on this **Twenty-first** day of **April** in the Year of Our Lord, *Anno Domini*, **Two Thousand Sixteen**.



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*in Celebration, Recognition, and Honor of the*

# 100<sup>TH</sup> YEAR ANNIVERSARY OF THE UNITED STATES JUNIOR RESERVE OFFICER'S TRAINING CORPS

**WHEREAS**, the United States Junior Reserve Office Training Corps (JROTC) has shaped the lives of millions since it was created with the passage of the National Defense Act of 1916. A hundred years later, and JROTC continues to be an outstanding educational program that promotes the value of citizenship, service to the United States, and a sense of accomplishment.

Our island's high schools have students enrolled in Army, Air Force, Navy, and Marine Corps JROTC units. These programs are invaluable, preparing students to lead positive, productive and rewarding lives by teaching personal responsibility, enhancing leadership skills, experiencing the value of teamwork, and discovering the benefits of self-confidence. Through the program's core study of ethics, citizenship, communication and life skills, JROTC has helped produce professionals in every sector including uniformed service, government, business, and academics.

We commend our JROTC cadets for their academic excellence, community service and leadership. These individuals have started down a path to fulfilling their dreams of multiple accomplishments and becoming valuable young leaders of our community. We also recognize the dedicated retired military personnel who share their wealth of experience and knowledge, serving as mentors to our island's young men and women.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, EDDIE BAZA CALVO**, *I Maga'Låhen Guåhan*, Governor of Guam, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Organic Act of Guam, as amended, do hereby proclaim in celebration and recognition of the **JROTC Program's 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**. Our administration recognizes the importance and value of JROTC in assisting young people to achieve their full potential to become mature, dedicated leaders and good citizens.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I hereby set my hand and cause the Great Seal of Guam to be affixed in the Capital City of *Hagåtña*, on this **Twenty-third** day of **April** in the Year of Our Lord, *Anno Domini*, **Two Thousand Sixteen**.



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## PROCLAIMING THE WEEK OF APRIL 25 – MAY 2, 2016

*in Celebration, Recognition, and Honor of*

# LAW WEEK 2016

**WHEREAS**, the freedoms and liberties of every citizen are protected by laws, ensuring that respect, responsibility, and impartiality are the principles that govern our great society. Above all, laws are at the core of a safe and functional civilization. They protect our way of life from violation, giving us hope in knowing that justice prevails.

Law Week gives us the opportunity to advocate equality under the law through various events starting today with the presentation of the *Husticia* Award, which recognizes individuals of our island community who have fostered public support for the community and promoted respect for the law. Other activities include mock trial plays by Guam's school children; outreach oral arguments before the Supreme Court of Guam; a Law Fair; a naturalization ceremony, and the Race Judicata 5K "Under Colors of Law" Run.

Nationally, this year's theme, "Miranda: More than Words," honors the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of perhaps our nation's best-known U.S. Supreme Court case, *Miranda v. Arizona*. The decisions made in this landmark case are considered to be the core foundation of protection of citizens from self incrimination, right to council, and ensuring that due process is never denied.

As we celebrate Law Week, we also recognize the hard-working men and women of the Guam Bar Association, the Judiciary of Guam, and the District Court of Guam, who remain committed to upholding justice and equality in our community. They are the pillars of our legal system and the foundation of peace and order on Guam.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, EDDIE BAZA CALVO**, *I Maga'Låhen Guåhan*, Governor of Guam, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Organic Act of Guam, as amended, do hereby proclaim the week of **April 25 – May 2, 2016 as Law Week**. On behalf of our entire administration, Lieutenant Governor Ray Tenorio and I commend the dedicated efforts of our judicial system, as they continue to safeguard legal principles and practices for a safe and fair society on Guam. Furthermore, we also thank the entire legal community for ensuring that the courts preserve our rights and for educating all of us about the preservation of legal principles, as essential components to our liberty.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I hereby set my hand and cause the Great Seal of Guam to be affixed in the Capital City of *Hagåtña*, on this **Twenty-sixth** day of **April** in the Year of Our Lord, *Anno Domini*, **Two Thousand Sixteen**.

  
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PROCLAIMING MAY 2016  
*in Celebration, Recognition, and Honor of*  
**GUAM TOURISM MONTH**

**WHEREAS**, millions of visitors come and experience the cultural heritage, rich history, and beautiful island paradise of Guam.

Tourism is the number one industry on Guam, and the life of her economy. The tourism industry has successfully promoted the island for over **50 years**. We've seen tremendous growth since the travel industry began here in 1952. We've broken records with visitor arrivals and diversifying our source markets. 2015 became the top calendar year for visitor arrivals in Guam's history recording over **1.4 million visitors** that were welcomed to our shores. We're also active in promoting education and sports tourism. The industry has strengthened the economy and tourism dollars are helping to build the new Guam museum that will perpetuate the Chamorro culture and education generations of Guamanians to come. Tourism dollars are working to support many of the organizations, programs and maintenance projects that bring out the best aspects of our island and our way of life.

Tourism is not an industry managed by one agency, or entity. The success of this industry hinges on the dream of hard working and committed industry professionals. They create **\$1.4 billion** of annual activity in the economy, which generates **\$150 million** in tax revenue for the Government of Guam.

As tourism continue to thrive, let us not forget it's the men and women that work in the food, beverage, retail, entertainment, and hospitality industry who are leading us to the success we've enjoyed for over half a century. They are part of the one third of all jobs that are supported by Guam's number one industry. They are supported by the innovators and creative businessmen and women who provide jobs in our island paradise.

Above all else, it is our warm and welcoming *Håfa Adai* spirit, ingrained in our culture, which makes Guam stand apart from any other destination in the world. As we look forward to celebrating the 65<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Pacific Asia Travel Association during its annual summit, participating in the United Nations World Tourism Organization ministerial debate, listening to the Guam Live International Music Festival and hosting 27 island nations for the prestigious Festival of Pacific Arts, we must first and foremost celebrate our people, values and culture.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, EDDIE BAZA CALVO**, *I Maga'Låhen Guåhan*, Governor of Guam, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Organic Act of Guam, as amended, do hereby proclaim **May 2016** as **Guam Tourism Month**. Our administration commends the Guam Visitors Bureau and the men and women of our island's tourism industry for their leadership in enhancing Guam's image to attract more visitors and for making our island paradise the best place to live, work and visit. Tourism lives in the generosity of our island's people who work in an industry that sustains our community. It is truly in the welcoming smiles of people who share our unique *Håfa Adai* spirit with the world.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I hereby set my hand and cause the Great Seal of Guam to be affixed in the Capital City of *Hagåtña*, on this **Twenty-seventh** day of **April** in the Year of Our Lord, *Anno Domini*, **Two Thousand Sixteen**.



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PROCLAIMING MAY 2016  
*in Celebration, Recognition, and Honor of*  
**SENIOR CITIZENS' MONTH**

**WHEREAS**, our island community thrives because of the vision, planning and sacrifices of our older individuals, who we lovingly call "*I mañaina-ta*." The wisdom and knowledge they share, and the interactions they have with family, friends, and neighbors enrich our island to ensure a better life for us all.

For more than two decades, May has been recognized as Senior Citizens' Month, giving our community the opportunity to recognize *I mañaina-ta* for their contributions to our island the world. This year's theme, "Blaze a Trail" or "Kayon Pasaderu" in Chamorro, honors *I mañaina-ta* as trailblazers who advocate for themselves, their peers, and their island, paving the way for future generations.

Our elders are productive, dedicated, and dignified citizens of Guam who continue to make a positive impact on the lives of our island's people. Just as *I mañaina-ta* have shown their love and support for us, we must continue to show our support for them. We can do this by raising awareness of issues that our older individuals face, helping them to solve these problems and thrive in the communities of their choice for as long as possible. *I mañaina-ta* are a precious resource to our island, and we will continue to serve them with the love and respect they deserve.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, EDDIE BAZA CALVO**, *I Maga'Lâhen Guåhan*, Governor of Guam, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Organic Act of Guam, as amended, do hereby proclaim **May 2016** as **Senior Citizens' Month**. Lieutenant Governor Ray Tenorio and I encourage everyone to support our *I mañaina-ta* and the programs that provide services that enhance the lives of the older individuals on our island.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I hereby set my hand and cause the Great Seal of Guam to be affixed in the Capital City of *Hagåtña*, on this **Twenty-eighth** day of **April** in the Year of Our Lord, *Anno Domini*, **Two Thousand Sixteen**.



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PROCLAIMING MAY 2016  
*in Celebration, Recognition, and Honor of*  
**NURSING MONTH**

**WHEREAS**, registered nurses are essential to Guam's healthcare system, providing high-quality care for our island's people. Every day, nurses make positive changes for their patients, ensuring the delivery of quality health care to patients, families and the community as a whole.

There are nearly **3.4 million** registered nurses in the United States with close to **1,200** registered nurses serving our island and more to come as the number of health care services increases in our community. Our registered nurses meet the different and emerging health care needs of our island, caring for people of all ages and in diverse health care settings. With the continuing expansion of life-sustaining technologies and the explosive growth of home health care services, the demand for registered nursing services will be greater than ever, with qualified registered nurses needed in the future to meet the increasingly complex needs of health care consumers in the community.

This year's Nurses Month theme is: "**Culture of Safety—It starts with You.**" The theme recognizes the ways in which registered nurses strive to provide safe care for our patients while also mapping out the way to improve our health care system. As part of Nurses Month, we also celebrate the Guam Nurses Association's **65<sup>th</sup> anniversary**, which continues to provide a voice for our registered nurses. The Guam Nurses Association promotes professional development and the highest standards of nursing care. Through the association's guidance and support, our registered nurses will continue to thrive, providing the best care to our island community.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, EDDIE BAZA CALVO**, *I Maga'Låhen Guåhan*, Governor of Guam, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Organic Act of Guam, as amended, do hereby proclaim **May 2016** as **Nurses Month**. We celebrate our registered nurses' accomplishments and efforts to improve Guam's health care system. Nurses Month is an opportunity to thank our island's nurses, and we recognize their critical role in meeting the health care needs of our people.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I hereby set my hand and cause the Great Seal of Guam to be affixed in the Capital City of *Hagåtña*, on this **Twenty-ninth** day of **April** in the Year of Our Lord, *Anno Domini*, **Two Thousand Sixteen**.



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**PROCLAIMING MAY 2016**  
*in Celebration, Recognition, and Honor of*  
**GUMA' MAMI MONTH**

**WHEREAS**, Guma' Mami has made a difference in the lives of so many residents with disabilities throughout the island and contributed to the depth of quality care and services for Guamanians with disabilities. Guma' Mami provides opportunities for individuals to enjoy life, strive to reach their full potential, and to be a part of Guam's community.

As a community-based nonprofit organization, Guma' Mami is dedicated to serving our island's residents with disabilities. This year, the organization celebrates **35** years of excellence in service and commitment to the island of Guam, facilitating the full inclusion and integration of adults with intellectual and other disabilities into their communities through individual and family supports. From educating the community on the strengths and abilities of individuals with disabilities to providing much-needed services to help individuals with disabilities thrive, Guma' Mami celebrates the ways individuals with disabilities strengthen our island community, helping them build vibrant futures for themselves and their families.

Guma' Mami's success is rooted in the hard work of its Board of Directors, staff and volunteers. They have shown their commitment in providing a wide range of direct care and valuable human service, including stimulating dialogue for public policy direction, other system change activities and advocacy, and technical consultation. We commend them for serving as leaders at the forefront of progressive social change in the field of disabilities, and we are thankful for their generous efforts in advocating and improving the services for people with disabilities. Most of all, we thank the individuals and agencies that work with Guma' Mami for their dedication to improving services for those with disabilities on Guam.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, EDDIE BAZA CALVO**, *I Maga'Låhen Guåhan*, Governor of Guam, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Organic Act of Guam, as amended, do hereby proclaim **May 2016 as Guma' Mami Month**. Our administration recognizes and congratulates Guma' Mami, Inc. for its 35 years of commitment to providing valuable services to people with disabilities on Guam. We urge all Americans to embrace the talents and skills that individuals with disabilities bring to our island as they make their unique mark on the community we share.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I hereby set my hand and cause the Great Seal of Guam to be affixed in the Capital City of *Hagåtña*, on this **Third** day of **May** in the Year of Our Lord, *Anno Domini*, **Two Thousand Sixteen**.



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Proclamation No. 2016-044

**PROCLAIMING APRIL 24 – 30, 2016**  
*in Celebration, Recognition, and Honor of*  
**NATIONAL REENTRY WEEK**

**WHEREAS**, major steps are being taken to make our criminal justice system fairer, more efficient, and more effective at reducing recidivism and helping formerly incarcerated individuals contribute to their communities. An important part of that commitment is preparing those who have paid their debt to society for substantive opportunities beyond the prison gates, and addressing obstacles to successful reentry that too many returning citizens encounter.

Reentry is the process in which a person exits the criminal justice system and returns to a law-abiding life. Many individuals face serious and complex obstacles to successful reentry: the long-term impact of a criminal record prevents many motivated people from obtaining employment, housing, higher education, health care and credit. These barriers affect returning individuals even if they have paid their debts to society, turned their lives around, and are unlikely to reoffend.

Supporting successful reentry is an essential part of our mission to promote public safety. Our goal is to improve rehabilitation and reintegration opportunities by reducing barriers to employment and increasing access to education, enrichment, health care, public services and more. The U.S. Attorney's Office, Guam Department of Corrections, and numerous government agencies and private and federal partners are doing their part to support reentry efforts. Together, we can help advance policies and programs that enable men and women to put their lives back on track and earn their second chance, promoting justice, fairness, and public safety.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, EDDIE BAZA CALVO**, *I Maga'Låhen Guåhan*, Governor of Guam, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Organic Act of Guam, as amended, do hereby proclaim **April 24 – 30, 2016 as National Reentry Week**. Our administration supports and encourages all local and federal partners to work together in our efforts to reduce crime and protect our communities by preparing individuals for success outside the prison walls.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I hereby set my hand and cause the Great Seal of Guam to be affixed in the Capital City of *Hagåtña*, on this **Third** day of **May** in the Year of Our Lord, *Anno Domini*, **Two Thousand Sixteen**.



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PROCLAIMING MAY 2016  
*in Celebration, Recognition, and Honor of*  
**MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS MONTH**

**WHEREAS**, mental health is essential to the overall health and well-being of our island community, and we must address the complex mental health needs of children, youth, adults, and families. All Guamanians experience times of difficulty and stress in their lives, and prevention is an effective way to reduce the burden of mental health conditions.

This year's theme for **Mental Health Awareness Month** is "**Finding Help, Finding Hope**", highlighting the fact that every Guamanian has access to behavioral health services and that there is support available for everyone who experiences mental health issues. Our island has made strong advances in improving prevention, increasing early intervention, and expanding treatment of mental illnesses. While these programs have a positive impact on the mental health of our island community, we also are blessed to have a network of support to help us through our most challenging times. As our culture is rooted in family and based on the support we provide one and other, we must provide emotional support and address the mental health needs of our island people, together.

Just as positive mental health is critical to the future of our island, positive mental health is essential to every child's healthy development. Because of this, it is important to address the emotional, behavioral and mental health needs of even the youngest members of our island community, as we celebrate **Children's Mental Health Awareness Week** during **Mental Health Awareness Month**. The struggles a child with mental health issues faces become the struggles of his or her parents, family, caregivers, and friends, but through the collaborative efforts between Guam's System of Care organizations and our island's schools and health agencies and providers, we can ensure that every child receives the behavioral health services they need to live a fulfilling life.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, EDDIE BAZA CALVO**, *I Maga'Lâhen Guåhan*, Governor of Guam, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Organic Act of Guam, as amended, do hereby proclaim **May 2016** as **Mental Health Awareness Month** and **May 1 – 7, 2016** as **Children's Mental Health Awareness Week**. Our administration commends the efforts of all of Guam's System of Care organizations for their unending commitment to the community. Mental health should be treated as part of a person's overall health, and we must ensure individuals living with mental health conditions can get the treatment they need.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I hereby set my hand and cause the Great Seal of Guam to be affixed in the Capital City of *Hagåtña*, on this **Third** day of **May** in the Year of Our Lord, *Anno Domini*, **Two Thousand Sixteen**.



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**PROCLAIMING MAY 2016**  
*in Celebration, Recognition, and Honor of*  
**GUAM FOSTER CARE MONTH**

**WHEREAS**, this year's Foster Care Month theme is "**Honoring, Uniting and Celebrating Families,**" we recognize the family, serving as the primary source of love, identity, self-esteem and support, is the heart and foundation of our community and our island. On Guam there are approximately 174 children being provided with a safe, secure and stable home through the compassion of foster families and other care providers.

The Bureau of Social Services Administration under the Division of Public Welfare of the Department of Public Health and Social Services, ensures that children who are victims of child abuse and neglect are provided with temporary or permanent placement in foster homes.

The Rigalu Foundation, Foster Families Association and Harvest House are non-profit volunteer organizations. They promote family preservation by supporting foster families in various ways, including advocacy, assisting with recruitment and training, and helping in times of crisis.

Foster families and group homes provide 24-hour care, seven days a week to children in their care. They play a vital role in helping foster children and their families heal and reconnect. Foster parents also serve as positive role models to the children, teaching them healthy habits and life skills so they can grow up to be loving adults able to contribute to our community.

Guam has a minimal number of dedicated licensed foster parents who have opened their families, their hearts, and homes to our children. It is increasingly difficult to provide these foster children with the basics of love, shelter, medical and dental care, education, food, and clothing without these foster families. These ends can only be met by the concerted efforts of government, community-based organizations, and individuals.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, EDDIE BAZA CALVO**, *I Maga'Lâhen Guåhan*, Governor of Guam, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Organic Act of Guam, as amended, do hereby proclaim the month of **May 2016**, in celebration of **Guam Foster Care Month**. In so doing, First Lady Christine and I urge all citizens to volunteer their talent and energy on behalf of children in foster care, along with all the miracle workers and guardian angels who serve them.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I hereby set my hand and cause the Great Seal of Guam to be affixed in the Capital City of *Hagåtña*, on this **First** day of **May** in the Year of Our Lord, *Anno Domini*, **Two Thousand Sixteen**.



**EDDIE BAZA CALVO**  
*I Maga' Lâhen Guåhan*  
Governor of Guam

**COUNTERSIGNED:**



**RAY TENORIO**  
*I Segundo na Maga'lâhen Guåhan*  
Lt. Governor of Guam

Proclamation No. 2016-047

PROCLAIMING MAY 8 – 14, 2016  
*in Celebration, Recognition, and Honor of*  
**NATIONAL HOSPITAL WEEK**

**WHEREAS**, our island’s hospitals support the health and wellbeing of our community through dedication and compassionate care from the heart.

A hospital is more than a place where people go to heal: it is the place within a community that fosters health and represents hope. From providing treatment and comfort to the sick, to welcoming new life into the world, hospitals are central to a healthy and optimistic community. As we celebrate National Hospital Week, we take time to recognize the role of the Guam Memorial Hospital Authority, the Guam Regional Medical City, and the United States Naval Hospital Guam in providing high-quality and compassionate medical care to patients and their families.

This year’s theme, “**Healthcare from the Heart,**” celebrates the dedication of our hospital employees who work each day to make our hospitals a special place. Physicians, nurses, therapists, engineers, food service workers, volunteers, administrators, and so many more give their all every day, supporting the health of our island through dedication and compassionate care. We recognize their invaluable contributions and all the miracles they help to make happen on a day-to-day basis, both large and small. These individuals play an important in extending a sense of trust to our patients and our communities. They truly are the reason our hospitals are so great.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, EDDIE BAZA CALVO**, *I Maga’Låhen Guåhan*, Governor of Guam, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Organic Act of Guam, as amended, do hereby proclaim **May 8 – 14, 2016** as **National Hospital Week**. On behalf of our administration and our island community, we commend and thank our island’s hospitals for providing continuous, excellent health care for the people of Guam.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I hereby set my hand and cause the Great Seal of Guam to be affixed in the Capital City of *Hagåtña*, on this **Fourth** day of **May** in the Year of Our Lord, *Anno Domini*, **Two Thousand Sixteen**.



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Proclamation No. 2016-045

PROCLAIMING MAY 2016  
*in Celebration, Recognition, and Honor of*  
**RELAY FOR LIFE MONTH**

**WHEREAS**, our island community comes together every year for the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life. The life-changing experience represents the **hope** that those lost to cancer will never be forgotten, that those who face cancer will be supported, and that one day cancer will be eliminated.

Relay for Life is a chance for us to finish the fight against cancer. Whether you are cheering on survivors or walking the track in honor of a loved one, the event is a way to show your support the hundreds of people on Guam who are touched by cancer. Relay for Life also recognizes and celebrates caregivers, who give their time, love and support to their friends and family members facing cancer. When it comes to fighting cancer, we can get through the disease together with the help of our friends and families' love and support.

Funds raised at Relay for Life help support American Cancer Society's mission, with hundreds of Guamanians benefiting from the society's services and programs. Through the Guam chapter of the American Cancer Society, cancer information specialists are available **24 hours** a day to assist our community with cancer information, getting rides to cancer treatment, navigating the health care system, and dealing with the side effects of treatment. The society also works to protect our residents by collaborating with community partners to increase cancer screening, with early intervention playing an important role in increasing the chances of surviving cancer.

Purple is the signature color of the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life, representing the passion that cancer survivors and their families and loved ones feel for the eradication of this disease. This year, we paint our world purple, bringing awareness and hope to those battling the disease today. During Relay for Life, we inspire others to join us in painting the world purple: with every Relay for Life, we are one step closer to freeing the world from the pain and suffering of cancer.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, EDDIE BAZA CALVO**, *I Maga' Lâhen Guåhan*, Governor of Guam, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Organic Act of Guam, as amended, do hereby proclaim **May 2016 as Relay for Life Month**. In the fight against cancer, we all share our true color. Our administration encourages everyone in our island community to paint the world purple and support the Relay for Life.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I hereby set my hand and cause the Great Seal of Guam to be affixed in the Capital City of *Hagåtña*, on this **Third** day of **May** in the Year of Our Lord, *Anno Domini*, **Two Thousand Sixteen**.



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