EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2000-06

RELATIVE TO COMPENSATING DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS OFFICERS FOR CARRYING THE BURDEN OF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION SERVICE.

WHEREAS, over the last several years there has been an enormous increase in inmates at the Department of Corrections, however, much of this increase has been a result of heavy increase in illegal aliens coming to Guam; and

WHEREAS, the illegal aliens that were apprehended after entering Guam illegally by sea were detained at our local correctional institutional for many months pending applications for asylum and appeals to remain in the United States; and

WHEREAS, all available manpower at the Department of Corrections has been required to work 12-hour shifts without relief and this situation does not promise to be alleviated immediately; and

WHEREAS, this situation was caused by the inability or unwillingness of the federal government to enforce their responsibilities for the borders of Guam with respect to illegal aliens; and

WHEREAS, there has been a promise of the federal government to make good on their responsibilities to Guam in the matter of illegal aliens;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, CARL T.C. GUTIERREZ, I Maga’Lahen Guåhan, Governor of Guam, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Organic Act of Guam, as amended, do order:

1. Uniformed personnel at the Department of Corrections exempted from accruing overtime pursuant to Executive Order No. 98-33, shall be compensated for the overtime hours they have worked, from 12/21/98.

2. This overtime shall continue until the illegal alien detention issue is resolved or until there are adequate corrections officers to provide for the minimum manning requirement to ensure the safety and security of the corrections institution and the community.

SIGNED AND PROMULGATED at Hagåtña, Guam this 15th day of February, 2000.

CARL T. C. GUTIERREZ
I Maga’Lahen Guåhan
Governor of Guam

COUNTERSIGNED:

MADELEINE Z. BORDALLO
Segunda na Maga’Lahen Guåhan
Lieutenant Governor of Guam