

## OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR HAGÅTÑA, GUAM 96910 U.S.A.

## EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2005 - 03

## RELATIVE TO DECLARING THE GUAM POLICE DEPARTMENT IN A STATE OF EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, the Guam Police Department (hereinafter referred to as "GPD") is a critical government agency responsible for the safety of our people; and

WHEREAS, Public Law No. 27-106, otherwise known as the General Appropriations Act of 2005, appropriated clearly insufficient funds for the operational needs of the Guam Police Department (hereinafter referred to as "GPD"); and

WHEREAS, *I Mina Bente Siete na Liheslaturan Guåhan* provided certain sums to GPD to be spent for specific purposes including Three Hundred Twenty-five Thousand One Hundred Forty-six Dollars (\$325,146) for operations which has already been expended for critical needs such as utilities, the Motorola radio contract and fuel; and

WHEREAS, due to the lack of funding provided by the previous Legislature and severe budget restrictions, GPD is not able to utilize current appropriations to cover the shortfall due to budget constraints. Furthermore, the Governor's transfer authority contained in P.L. 27-107 does not extend to GPD therefore the Governor is precluded from transferring funds within the agency or from other appropriations into GPD's budget; and

WHEREAS, GPD is in dire need of funding otherwise, among other things, their phone lines will be disconnected and fuel for their vehicles will run empty affecting GPD's ability to rapidly respond to emergencies; and

**WHEREAS**, since *I Maga'låhen Guåhan* is precluded from using his transfer authority the only available recourse is to authorize the emergency expenses to properly fund GPD to address this emergency.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FELIX P. CAMACHO, I Maga'låhen Guåhan, Governor of Guam, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Organic Act of Guam, as amended, do order:

- 1. **Declaration of State of Emergency.** A state of emergency is hereby declared for the Guam Police Department.
- 2. Emergency Expenses. Pursuant to 5 G.C.A. § 22402, authorizing the Governor to utilize no more than Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000.00) from General Fund appropriations for the Executive Branch for expenses resulting from civil defense, public safety or health care emergencies, the Director of the Bureau of Budget and Management Research is authorized to transfer to the Guam Police Department an amount not to exceed Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000.00) from outstanding appropriations within the General Fund for utilities, fuel and other operational requirements.



- 3. **Documentation of Expenses.** Appropriate documentation on all expenses pertaining to such emergency must be kept for inspection by the Executive and Legislative Branches and by the Public Auditor of Guam.
- 4. **Departments Ordered to Submit Cost Estimates.** Upon execution of this Executive Order, the Guam Police Department and the Bureau of Budget and Management Research shall provide a written report of the expenditures of such funds and their source to *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the Public Auditor within five (5) days of such transactions as provided in 5 G.C.A. § 22402.
- 5. The authorization for the certification, approval and expenditure of necessary funds shall be this Executive Order, subject only to the exhaustion of identified funds.

SIGNED AND PROMULGATED at Hagatña, Guam this 16th day of FEBRUARY 2005.

FÉLIX P. CAMACHO I Maga' låhen Guåhan Governor of Guam