EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2005-34

RELATIVE TO OBTAINING POLICE AND COURT CLEARENCE OF CURRENT AND FUTURE GOVERNMENT OF GUAM EMPLOYEES AND FOR AGENCIES TO REVIEW GUAM'S SEX OFFENDER REGISTRY TO ENSURE COMPLIANCE WITH LOCAL AND FEDERAL LAWS

WHEREAS, I Maga'lahen Guahan, through the Organic Act of Guam, is charged with ensuring the public safety of the people of Guam; and

WHEREAS, Guam's Sex Offender Registry informs the community of sexual offenders in their villages; and

WHEREAS, since 1993, more than 200 sexual offenders have registered on Guam's Sex Offender Registry; and

WHEREAS, the government of Guam should protect the safety and welfare of children and those susceptible and vulnerable to predatory criminal behavior; and

WHEREAS, I Maga'lahen Guahan, Governor of Guam, has identified the need for changes to the government of Guam personnel screening process to insure the integrity of the government's employment system and to promote public trust in government employees; and

WHEREAS, I Maga'lahen Guahan is committed to providing the Directors of government agencies and departments the personnel screening tools necessary to ensure the public safety to the people of Guam.

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

1. All government of Guam agencies, departments and instrumentalities shall identify all personnel who work with or are in contact with children or those susceptible and vulnerable to predatory criminal behavior and instruct said personnel to obtain current police and court clearances in order to determine if there is a violation of local or federal law with respect to employment;

2. The Guam Police Department (GPD) shall waive any fees associated with said clearance;

3. The Department of Administration shall assist all government of Guam agencies, departments and instrumentalities in complying with this Executive Order;

4. The Department of Administration shall ensure all Government of Guam applicants for employment present copies of current police and court clearances with their applications prior to commencement of employment;
5. All government of Guam agencies, departments and instrumentalities shall review all police and court clearances of applicants to determine if there is a potential violation of local or federal law with respect to employment of criminal offenders; and

6. All government of Guam agencies, departments and instrumentalities shall review Guam’s Sex Offender Registry and cross-check with current personnel to insure compliance with local and federal laws as it pertains to personnel working with or in contact with children and those susceptible and vulnerable to predatory criminal behavior.

SIGNED AND PROMULGATED at Hagåtña, Guam this 20th day of October, 2005.

FELIX P. CAMACHO
Governor of Guam