

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR HAGÅTÑA, GUAM 96910

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2007-03

RELATIVE TO DECLARING A STATE OF EMERGENCY WITHIN THE GUAM PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM

WHEREAS, the Organic Act of Guam provides that *I Maga'låhen Guåhan*, Governor of Guam, is tasked with the responsibility of overseeing the health and safety of the people of Guam, and is further charged with overseeing the education of Guam's children; and

WHEREAS, for Fiscal Year 2007, the Department of Administration has so far disbursed \$67,792,558 to the Guam Public School System; and

WHEREAS, according to the Cash Disbursement Schedule approved by the Office of the Public Auditor, the GPSS cash requirements for FY 2007 to date is \$66,500,105; and

WHEREAS, despite disbursing \$1,292,453 more than is approved by the OPA, the Superintendent indicated today, February 23, 2007, that he will not release payroll checks to the employees of the Guam Public School System; and

WHEREAS, this situation calls for immediate intervention to ensure the continued safety and well-being of the 37,000 public school students and the employees of the Guam Public School System.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MICHAEL W. CRUZ, M.D., I Maga' Låhen Guåhan Para Pa'go, Acting Governor of Guam, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Organic Act of Guam, as amended, do order:

The Superintendent of the Guam Public School System to release payroll checks to the GPSS employees today.

SIGNED AND PROMULGATED at Hagatña, Guam this 23rd day of February, 2007.

MICHAEL W. CRUZ, M.D.
I Maga' Låhen Guåhan Para Pa'go

Acting Governor of Guam