EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2008-27

RELATIVE TO DECLARING FRIDAY, DECEMBER 26, 2008, THE DAY AFTER CHRISTMAS DAY, A SPECIAL HOLIDAY FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF GUAM

WHEREAS, Section 1000(c) of Chapter 10 of Title 1 of the Guam Code Annotated authorizes I Maga’lahen Guahan to declare by Executive Order additional non-permanent holidays for special purposes; and

WHEREAS, the intent of 1 G.C.A. 1000(c) is to provide I Maga’lahi flexibility in declaring a holiday for an occurrence meriting such recognition to include those special-declared holidays by the United States President; and

WHEREAS, President George W. Bush issued a Presidential Executive Order closing Executive Departments and Agencies of the Federal Government on Friday, December 26, 2008.

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 executive branch departments and agencies of the Government of Guam shall be closed and their employees excused from duty on Friday, December 26, 2008, the day after Christmas Day, except as provided in Section 2 below;
2. The heads of executive branch departments and agencies may determine that certain offices and installations of their organizations, or parts thereof, must remain open and that certain employees must report for duty on December 26, 2008, for reasons of public safety or other public need; and
3. Friday, December 26, 2008, shall be considered as falling within the scope of the Department of Administration’s Personnel Rules and Regulations as promulgated by Executive Order No. 96-24 of October 1, 1996, as they relate to the pay and leave of employees of the Government of Guam.

SIGNED AND PROMULGATED at Hagåtña, Guam this 17th day of Dec., 2008.

FELIX P. CAMACHO
I Maga’lahen Guahan
Governor of Guam

COUNTERSIGNED:

MICHAEL W. CRUZ, M.D.
I Segundu Maga ’lahen Guahan
Lieutenant Governor of Guam