

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

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2014-18

RELATIVE TO DECLARING A STATE OF EMERGENCY AT THE GUAM PUBLIC LIBARARY SYTEM, HAGÅTÑA MAIN LIBRARY

WHEREAS, the Guam Public Library System is a public library; and

WHEREAS, the Guam Public Library System has consistently been experiencing problems with its main air conditioner at the *Nieves M. Flores Memorial Library*, which is its main library in Hagåtña; and

WHEREAS, because the air conditioner is non-functioning and does not provide adequate cool air, and because the windows of the building itself are designed in such a way as to not allow them to open fully for ventilation, it is unbearable and unhealthy to expose library patrons and employees to the environment at the Hagåtña Main Library, thus forcing the closure of the library; and

WHEREAS, the failure of the Hagåtña Main Library of the Guam Public Library System to have a functioning air conditioning unit creates an immediate threat to health, safety, and welfare of library patrons and employees, as well as an immediate threat of damage to Library and government property, including books and other irreplaceable materials such as original Legislative documents, newspapers, photographs, films, and other culturally significant collections; and

WHEREAS, in addition to the procurement of an air-conditioning unit as authorized by E.O. 2014-15, on November 25, 2014, the United States Department of Interior also approved a grant for the purchase of ductless split A/C units; and

WHEREAS, the grant funds are immediately available and authorized for said purchase of ductless split A/C units.



NOW, THEREFORE I, RAYMOND S. TENORIO, *I Maga'låhen Guåhan, para pa'go*, Acting Governor of Guam, by virtue of the authority vested in by the Organic Act of Guam, do hereby ORDER:

- 1. **Declaration of a State of Emergency**. A state of emergency exists at the Guam Public Library System Hagåtña Main Library;
- Authorization for Emergency Procurement. A state of emergency exists to procure the immediate purchase of ductless split A/C units for the Guam Public Library System Hagåtña Main Library;
- 3. **Documentation of Expenses.** The Guam Public Library System is hereby instructed to keep appropriate documentation of all emergency expenses for inspection by the Executive and Legislative Branches, including the Public Auditor; and
- 4. **Purpose of Emergency Procurement**. Emergency procurement may be used for the procurement of goods and services responding to this emergency and will continue for thirty (30) days after the date of this Executive Order as provided in § 5215 of Title 5, Guam Code Annotated.

SIGNED AND PROMULGATED at Hagåtña, Guam this <u>9th</u> day of December, 2014.

RAYMOND S. TENORIO

I Maga'låhen Guåhan, para pa'go Acting Governor of Guam