WHEREAS, the Department of Agriculture's Division of Forestry and Soil Resources (FSRD) is tasked with protecting and enhancing Guam's Conservation Reserves for the benefit of Guam (PL 16-62); and

WHEREAS, FSRD has shown that tree planting in the Cotal Reserve has changed the topography from a fire prone, highly erodible grassland to a more productive forest stand that enhances watersheds and protects valuable top soil; and

WHEREAS, tree planting helps in the reduction of the green house effect and also adds to the beauty of the island's urban villages and rural areas for the tourist and the citizens of the Territory to enjoy; and

WHEREAS, members of the public and private sectors have come forth to offer assistance in accelerating the tree planting program as benefiting to the community but FSRD could not solicit their help for lack of such authority; and

WHEREAS, this program provides benefits to the Territory, from enhancing the beauty of Guam for the Tourism Industry, conservation of wildlands for Guam's children, to the reduction of global warming to save planet earth.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOSEPH F. ADA, Governor of the Territory of Guam, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Organic Act of Guam, as amended, do hereby authorize the Department of Agriculture, Division of Forestry and Soil Resources, to accept donations to support their annual tree planting program.

All materials and donations are to be placed with the Division of Forestry and Soil Resources. The Director of Agriculture shall provide an accounting of materials donated and used to the Director of Administration.

SIGNED AND PROCLAIMED at Agana, Guam this 31st day of May, 1991.

JOSEPH F. ADA
Governor of Guam

COUNTERSIGNED:

FRANK P. BLAS
Lieutenant Governor of Guam