EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 91-24

Relative to creating a Committee on the American Disabilities Act for the Government of Guam

WHEREAS, the American with Disabilities Act, ADA, P.L. 101-336, often been described as the most sweeping non-discrimination legislation since the Civil Rights Act of 1964; and

WHEREAS, it would provide broad based non-discrimination protection for individuals with disabilities in employment, public services, public accommodations and services operated by private entities, transportation, and telecommunications; and

WHEREAS, this new legislation which must be implemented by local governments will need the efforts of different Departments and Agencies.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOSEPH F. ADA, Governor of Guam, by virtue of the Authority vested in me by the Organic Act of Guam, do hereby order as follows:

1. There is hereby established an Executive Committee on the Americans with Disabilities Act.

2. The Director of the Department of Vocational Rehabilitation shall be the Chairperson of the Committee.

3. The Committee shall consist of fourteen other members representing the following agencies: Civil Service Commission, Attorney General's Office, Department of Administration, Mass Transit Authority, Developmental Disabilities Council, Agency for Human Resources Development, Department of Labor, Department of Public Works, Guam Police Department, Guam Fire Department, Department of Parks & Recreation, Department of Education, Commission on Persons with Disabilities, and Department of Mental Health & Substance Abuse.

4. Sub-committees may be formed to further specific tasks and objectives of the committee.

5. The Committee shall perform the following in order to facilitate the implementation of the Americans with Disabilities Act; dissemination of information, provide technical assistance, conduct orientation, improve the employment status and independence of persons with disabilities and coordinate and update implementation plans.

SIGNED AND PROMULGATED at Agana, Guam this 7th day of October 1991.

JOSEPH F. ADA
Governor of Guam

COUNTERSIGNED:

FRANK F. BLAS
Lieutenant Governor of Guam