WHEREAS, Section 9(c) of the Organic Act of Guam provides that the Governor shall, from time to time, examine the organization of the executive branch of the government of Guam, and shall determine and carry out changes therein as are necessary to promote effective management and to execute faithfully the purposes of the Organic Act and the laws of Guam; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse opened its new building on March 25, 1994 and within the new facility are areas dedicated to providing children's services; and

WHEREAS, in the fiscal year 1994, budget funds have been appropriated for the operation of the children's in-patient unit and as "special programs" the children's residential treatment program (Guma Manhoban I & II) and Therapeutic Foster Care; and

WHEREAS, children's off-island residential treatment services are funded through an appropriation to the Off-Island Residential Treatment Fund administered by the Department of Administration but placements are made upon the recommendation of the Inter Agency Case Review Committee created through a Memorandum of Understanding signed by the Directors of Education, Public Health and Social Services, Mental health and Substance Abuse and Youth Affairs and approved by the Governor; and

WHEREAS, the Inter Agency Case Review Committee has requested that an executive agency be designated as responsible for the administration of the off-island placements with such duties as administering contracts with the off-island treatment centers, monitoring each child's off-island treatment and preparing each child's treatment plan for the child's return to Guam; and

WHEREAS, responsibility for children's services must be clearly established beginning with diagnosis, counselling and case management and extending through therapeutic foster care, in-patient treatment, residential treatment and off-island treatment, if necessary; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Mental, Health and Substance Abuse now has the facilities and staff to administer children's services and a division in the Department devoted to children's services will directly aid those members of our society and their families who most need treatment.
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and, that, in turn, will indirectly benefit all of the people of Guam.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOSEPH F. ADA, Governor of the Territory of Guam, pursuant to the authority vested in me by the Organic Act of Guam, as amended, hereby order that:

1. There is created within the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse the Children's Services Division which shall be responsible for services to children including: diagnosis, counselling, case management, residential treatment including Guma Manhoban I & II, therapeutic foster care, and in-patient care.

2. The Division shall be headed by a classified employee who shall be under the supervision of the Director.

3. The Division shall assume management responsibilities for off-island residential treatment of children and shall provide administrative support to the Inter Agency Case Review Committee.

4. No duties of an employee of the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse shall be changed nor shall a classified employee of the Department of Mental Health be removed from his or her position or downgraded as a result of the creation of the new division.

SIGNED AND PROMULGATED at Agana, Guam, this 16th day of April, in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-Four.

JOSEPH F. ADA
Governor of Guam

COUNTERSIGNED:

FRANK F. BLAS
Lieutenant Governor of Guam