EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 98-17

RELATIVE TO AUTHORIZING MERIT AWARD SCHOLARSHIPS BASED ON THE COMBINED ATTENDANCE OF TWO HIGH SCHOOLS AS ONE AT SOUTHERN HIGH SCHOOL.

WHEREAS, Merit Award Scholarships are authorized on the basis of Two (2) students having the highest scholastic standing in the graduating classes of each public and non-public high school on Guam and One (1) scholarship awarded on the basis of academic ranking for every fifty (50) graduates or fraction thereof by which the graduating class exceeds the number of fifty (50) graduates; and

WHEREAS, the students graduating for academic year 1997-98 from Southern High School comprise students from Two (2) separate high schools, namely Oceanview High School and Inarajan High School; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, CARL T. C. GUTIERREZ, I Maga'lahen Guåhan, Governor of Guam, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Organic Act do order:

1. Recognizing that the graduating class students of the Southern High School attended Two (2) different high schools during the three-year period prior to academic year 1997-98, students of the Southern High School who will graduate during the academic year 1997-98 shall have their awards for the academic year 1997-98 only, determined as if they were attending Two (2) separate high schools; and

2. To prevent exclusion of students who meet requirements provided in §15301 of Chapter 15 of Title 17 of the Guam Code Annotated from qualifying for a merit award scholarship, graduating students who did not attend either high school prior to the academic year 1997-98, yet whose class rank in the Southern High School would have made them eligible for either a Valedictory, Salutatory or other merit award shall receive such award.

SIGNED AND PROMULGATED at Hagåtña, Guam this 5th day of June, 1998.

CARL T. C. GUTIERREZ
I Maga'lahen Guåhan
Governor of Guam

COUNTERSIGNED:

MADELEINE Z. BORDALLO
Segunda na Maga'lahen Guåhan
Lieutenant Governor of Guam