WHEREAS, studies have shown numerous structural, roofing, termite and other damage to the public schools; and

WHEREAS, already parts of three schools have been closed due to their being unsafe for student occupancy, namely Agana Heights Elementary School (old part), Wettengel Elementary School (2 rooms) and Simon Sanchez Junior High School (gym and library); and

WHEREAS, twelve other schools are in need of immediate, emergency, repairs, as has been determined by the Director of Education, namely:

Adelup C.L. Taitano
P.C. Lujan Tamuning Elementary
J.P. Torres Old Piti
New Piti Barrigada Junior High School
Yigo Elementary Anderson Elementary
Inarajan Elementary Harmon Loop; and

WHEREAS, Public Law 14-109, Section 7, appropriated funds for the repairs to the above schools, and to any other schools requiring emergency repairs as determined by the Director of Education; and

WHEREAS, it is imperative that such repairs be completed as soon as possible and before the commencement of the next school year on August 21, 1978; and

WHEREAS, I have been informed by the Department of Public Works and the Department of Education that, if the major construction is commenced immediately it can be finished by the beginning of school, but following the usual bid and solicitation procedures such a completion date cannot be achieved; and
WHEREAS, many of the major repairs cannot be undertaken with school children occupying the buildings under repair and any delay in the completion of such repairs would cause great disruption of the next school year;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICARDO J. BORDALLO, Governor of Guam, by virtue of the authority vested in me by Section 29(b) of the Organic Act of Guam, as amended, do hereby ORDER the following:

1. Because of the emergency nature of the repairs to the affected schools and the need to finish these repairs before the beginning of the school year in August 21, 1978; and because the condition of the schools, if allowed to continue, poses a threat to the health and safety of the children and teachers of Guam, the A/E selection, procurement and contracting procedures normally required are WAIVED as to those projects and portions of projects certified to me by the Department of Education to require expedited action due to the time required for completion or the urgency of initiating repairs.

Signed and promulgated at Agana, Guam this 14th day of March, 1978.

RICARDO J. BORDALLO
Governor of Guam

COUNTERSIGNED:

RDOLPHG. SABLAN
Lieutenant Governor