GOVERNMENT OF GUAM OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR AGANA, GUAM

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 80-9

CONSTRUCTION OF A NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF NEUROLOGICAL AND COMMUNICATIVE DISORDERS AND STROKE (NINCDS) RESEARCH FACILITY, AND SUPPORT AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE IN THE OPERATION OF AN NINCDS COMPUTED TOMOGRAPHY RESEARCH EQUIPMENT.

WHEREAS, the National Institute of Neurological and Communicative Disorders and stroke (NINCDS), National Institutes of Health (NIH), Bethesda, Maryland has been carrying out a research program on Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis, and Parkinsonism with progressive dementia, and other neurological problems;

WHEREAS, Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis has a prevalence among adults of about one per 10,000 in the United States, the prevalence of Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis and Parkinsonism Dementia approaches two per 100 adults in the indigenous Chamorro population of Guam and the other Mariana Islands;

WHEREAS, it is of extreme importance to the National Institutes of Health/NINCDS' Research Program to determine whether the factors responsible for this phenomenon are primarily genetic, or of an environmental nature, and to determine the agent and mode action, or the metabolic factors responsible for the disease;

WHEREAS, the National Institutes of Health/NINCDS' Research Program will continue studies of the high prevalence of hyperglycemia, hyperuricemia, hepatoma, multiple exostosis, myotonia dystrophia, and peroneal muscular atrophy;

WHEREAS, the National Institutes of Health/NINCDS' Research Program will continue studies in cerebral vasular disease and epilepsy;

WHEREAS, the National Institutes of Health/NINCDS' Research Program does not have sufficient facilities, nor the technical radiologic staff available to accommodate and operate an essential Research Equipment (Computed Tomography);

WHEREAS, the National Institutes of Health/NINCDS' Research Program has determined that there is an urgent need to relocate its Program and Services from its present location (2nd floor of the Old GMH Facility) to the New GMH Acute Care Facility to ensure immediate access to its Research Patients, Diagnostic/Treatment Facilities, and Support Services ONLY available at the GMH Acute Care Facility;

WHEREAS, the New GMH Acute Care Facility does not at the present time, have sufficient space available to accommodate the Research Program; and

WHEREAS, there is a need for the construction of a new National Institute of Neurological and Communicative Disorders and Stroke Research Facility at the New GMH Acute Care Facility to ensure the efficient and effective pursuit of the Research Program's investigation involving genetic, epidemiological, virological, nutritional, immune functions, radiographic, demographic, anthropological, therapeutic, and pathological studies related to various neurological problems on Guam and the other Mariana Islands;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, PAUL M. CALVO, Governor of Guam, by virtue of the Authority vested in me by the Organic Act of Guam, as amended, do hereby order as follows:

1. The Directors of the Departments of Administration, Bureau of Budget Management and Research, and the Guam Memorial Hospital Authority to seek and negotiate, on behalf of the Government of Guam, with legal Lending Institutions for Capital Financing for the construction of a National Institute of Neurological

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and Communicative Disorders and Stroke Research Facility at the New GMH $\,$ Acute Care Facility site.

- 2. The Guam Memorial Hospital, under the auspices of the Government of Guam, shall be the Government of Guam's Organizational Principal in the execution of a mutually acceptable operation and use agreement with the National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, Maryland for the use of the New Research Facility.
- 3. The Guam Memorial Hospital Authority, through the Guam Memorial Hospital, shall provide space and technical assistance to the Research Program in the operation of their Computed Tomography Equipment, and to negotiate a mutually acceptable agreement with the Research Program for the use of the Program's Computed Tomography Equipment for radiologic diagnosis of non-research patients.
- 4. That all Approving, Certifying, and Licensing Government of Guam Agencies undertake immediate action to expedite the Approval, Certification, and Licensure of the projects set forth in this Executive Order.

This	order	shall	take	effect	upon th	e date	of r	ny signature.	
Signe	ed at	Agana,	Guam,	this	5th	day	of	August	, 1980

PAUL M. CALVO Governor of Guam

COUNTERSIGNED:

THOMAS V. C. TANAKA, Acting Lieutenant Governor