WHEREAS, as a part of an effort to curb the growth in Federal expenditures in Fiscal Year 1982, the United States Congress has enacted numerous changes in the Food Stamp Act as part of the Omnibus Reconciliation Act of 1981 (U.S. Public Law 97-35, enacted August 13, 1981); and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Agriculture has promulgated these rules effective September 4, 1981, and has mandated States to implement the provisions on October 1, 1981; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Agriculture has determined that the rule will have significant program cost savings and that delays in implementation could increase the possibility of the Food Stamp Program exceeding spending limits the U.S. Congress has placed in the program as may result in the issuance of lower benefits or no benefits to all eligible participants by the end of the Fiscal Year 1982; and

WHEREAS, it is therefore in the public interest to implement these provisions as early in the fiscal year as possible to avoid an across-the-board adverse affect on all eligible participants; and

WHEREAS, there exists an agreement between the Territory of Guam and the Food and Nutrition Service, the United States Department of Agriculture that the program will be administered in accordance with the provisions contained in the Food Stamp Act of 1977, as amended, and in the manner prescribed by regulations issued pursuant to the Act.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, PAUL M. CALVO, Governor of the Territory of Guam, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Organic Act of Guam, as amended, and Title X, Chapter II, Government Code of Guam, do hereby order that the Food Stamp Program provisions of the Omnibus Reconciliation Act be implemented as soon as possible on October 1, 1981.
Signed and Promulgated in Agana, Guam this 30th day of September, in the year of our Lord, nineteen hundred and eighty-one.

PAUL M. CALVO
Governor of Guam

COUNTERSIGNED:

JOSEPH F. ADA
Lieutenant Governor