VACCINATION AND IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS

WHEREAS, Section 29(a) of the Organic Act of Guam mandates the Governor to establish, maintain, and operate public health services in Guam, including hospitals, dispensaries, and quarantine stations, at such places in Guam as may be necessary; and

WHEREAS, the Governor shall promulgate quarantine and sanitary regulations for the protection of Guam against the importation and spread of disease; and

WHEREAS, there exists a potential threat of a dangerous communicable disease known as Measles; and

WHEREAS, there have been numerous cases of Measles prevalent in the public educational institutions of this Territory; and

WHEREAS, Section 9400.16 of Public Law 15-196, provides that during an epidemic or threatening epidemic or a dangerous communicable disease which is prevalent, the Director may close any public or private school and prohibit any public or private gathering for such time as may be necessary in the interests of the public health; and

WHEREAS, Section 9400.21 of Public Law 15-96, further provides that no child shall be enrolled in any public or private school within the Territory unless evidence is presented to the enrolling officer that the child had all such vaccinations or immunizations as the Director shall, by regulation, require,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICARDO J. BORDALLO, Governor of Guam, by virtue of the power vested in me by the Organic Act and laws of Guam, do hereby order:

1. That the memorandum of the Director of Public Health and Social Services, relative to the exclusion of students from schools without evidence of immunization against measles, as attached, be incorporated into Executive Order;
2. For the period commencing on February 21, 1984, any student from John F. Kennedy High School, without proof of valid vaccination or immunization against Measles, shall be excluded from attending school unless the student submits written evidence of vaccination or immunization;

3. For the period commencing on February 27, 1984, any student from public or private elementary, middle and secondary schools, without proof of valid vaccination or immunization against Measles, shall be excluded from attending school, unless the student submits written evidence of vaccination or immunization;

4. That all departments and agencies, autonomous or otherwise affected by this Executive Order heed the directives, guidelines and admonishments, promulgated by the Director of Public Health and Social Services during this period of threatening epidemic.

Signed and promulgated at Agana, Guam this 21st day of February, 1984.

RICARDO M. BORDALLO
Governor of Guam

COUNTERSIGNED:

EDWARD D. REYES
Lieutenant Governor of Guam