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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 68-8

WHEREAS, dental caries is one of the most prevalent diseases on Guam affecting 98 percent of the children; and

WHEREAS, extensive scientific experience indicates that tooth decay can be reduced by 65 percent if children begin drinking fluoridated water when they are young, and that benefits carry over into the adult years; and

WHEREAS, fluoridation of community water supplies is safe, effective, and economical; and

WHEREAS, the United States Public Health Service and such other organizations as the American Dental Association and the American Medical Association have long given their support to water fluoridation;

NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Organic Act of Guam it is ordered that all public water supplies on Guam shall hereafter be fluoridated in accordance with procedures prescribed by the Director of the Department of Public Health and Social Services.

Signed at Agana, Guam, this <u>10</u>th day of May, 1968.

MANUEL F. L. GUERRERO Governor of Guam

COUNTERSIGNED: DENVER DI Secretary of Guam