



**ISLAND OF GUAM  
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR  
HAGÁTÑA, GUAM 96932  
U.S.A.**

Executive Order No. 2019-13

**RELATIVE TO REQUESTING THE MAYORS'  
COUNCIL OF GUAM TO PLAN AND ORGANIZE THE  
75<sup>TH</sup> GUAM ISLAND FAIR AND LIBERATION DAY  
CARNIVAL AND PARADE 2019**

**WHEREAS**, Liberation Day commemorates the anniversary of America's liberation of Guam from Japanese Occupation on July 21, 1944; and

**WHEREAS**, before Guam was reclaimed and once again placed under American administration at the end of World War II, thousands of CHamorus, Americans, and Japanese lost their lives; and

**WHEREAS**, our people must never forget the sacrifices of the thousands of servicemen and CHamorus who suffered during the occupation and the fierce battle for the liberation of Guam; and

**WHEREAS**, this year as we commemorate the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Guam's liberation from Japanese occupation, our community remembers those who were killed and the upcoming generations of men and women in the armed forces who continue to risk their lives to defend freedom and our way of life; and

**WHEREAS**, Liberation Day is not only a recognition of the anniversary of the liberation of Guam from Japanese occupation by American forces and the reestablishment of the United States military on Guam, but a celebration of the rich culture and history of our beautiful island and her people through the Guam Island Fair and Liberation Day Carnival and Parade; and

**WHEREAS**, there is a great need for transparency and accountability of funds generated by the Guam Island Fair and Liberation Day Carnival; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOSHUA F. TENORIO, *Ákto Maga'láhen Guåhan***, Acting Governor of Guam, in full consultation and coordination with **LOURDES A. LEON GUERRERO, *Maga'hågan Guåhan***, Governor of Guam, and by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Organic Act of Guam, as amended, and the laws of Guam, do hereby order as follows:

**1. Appointment of Mayors' Council of Guam as the overall organizer of our island's Liberation Festivities.** In accordance with the provisions of 1 G.C.A. §§1012 and 1013, the Mayors' Council of Guam (the "Council") is hereby requested to spearhead and take overall responsibility for the planning, coordination, and execution of the 75<sup>th</sup> Liberation Day festivities. These responsibilities shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

- a) Undertake all efforts to plan and make arrangements for the celebration of the Guam Island Fair and Liberation Day Carnival, Queen Pageant, and Parade. The Council shall name and oversee the progress of subcommittees tasked with various projects necessary for the commemoration of the Diamond Anniversary of the liberation of Guam;




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- b) Undertake all efforts to plan and make arrangements for the celebration of the Guam Island Fair and Liberation Day Carnival, Queen Pageant, and Parade. The Council shall name and oversee the progress of subcommittees tasked with various projects necessary for the commemoration of the Diamond Anniversary of the liberation of Guam;
- c) Exist as an independent entity from all other entities, however named, previously tasked with planning of the Guam Island Fair and/or Liberation Day Carnival and Parade. Accordingly, the Council shall not be responsible for any debts, obligations or liabilities of previous committees or entities. However, if funds are available, the Chairperson may, at his or her discretion, pay debts incurred by previous committees;
- d) Record all meeting minutes and formalize plans in the execution of Liberation Day festivities;
- e) Through a treasurer and in accordance with the provisions of Public Laws ("P.L.") 35-4 and 35-10, shall keep a ledger of all revenues and expenses;
- f) To ensure that a report regarding all revenues, expenses, problems and recommendations for improvement shall be completed no later than thirty (30) days following the closure of the Island Fair and Liberation Day Carnival, which report shall be submitted to the Office of Public Accountability.

**2. Authorization for Games of Chance.** In accordance with Section 2.0 of P.L. 35-10, Games of Chance are specifically authorized at the Island Fair and Liberation Day Carnival.

Signed and Promulgated at *Hagātña*, Guam, this 17<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2019.



  
JOSHUA F. TENORIO  
*Ākto Maga'lāhen Guāhan*  
Acting Governor of Guam

Attested by:



TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES  
*Ākto Sigundo Maga'hāgan Guāhan*  
Acting Lieutenant Governor of Guam