LOURDES A. LEON GUERRERO GOVERNOR



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HONORABLE THERESE M. TERLAJE

Speaker I Mina'trentai Sais Na Liheslaturan Guahan 36th Guam Legislature Guam Congress Building 163 Chalan Santo Papa Hagåtña, Guam 96910

RE: **EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2022-20**

Hafa Adai Madame Speaker:

Pursuant to Public Law 34-16, transmitted herewith is the following Executive Order:

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2022-20: RELATIVE TO EXTENDING THE PUBLIC **HEALTH EMERGENCY**

Thank you.

Senseremente.

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Enclosure:

Executive Order No. 2022-20

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2022-20

RELATIVE TO EXTENDING THE PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, on March 14, 2020, I, Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero, *I Maga'hågan Guåhan*, Governor of Guam, acting pursuant to the power provided by the Organic Act of Guam and the laws of Guam, declared a public health emergency on the island of Guam due to dangers posed by the 2019 novel coronavirus ("COVID-19"); and

WHEREAS, our island's fight against COVID-19 continues; and

WHEREAS, our community periodically experiences intermittent surges in our positivity and retransmission rates; and

WHEREAS, notwithstanding the continued presence of COVID-19 in our community, our hospitalizations remain manageable, in large part due to broadly available testing, vaccinations and therapeutics; and

WHEREAS, as new variants continue to emerge around the world, threatening to destabilize our progress, it is important that we continue to monitor our community's response effort; and

WHEREAS, as we progress in this public health emergency, the continued stability of our healthcare system requires that all of us do our part to prevent the spread of COVID-19 using tried and true mitigation measures – wear your mask, social distance, and wash your hands; and

WHEREAS, we must all continue to be vigilant, and take precautions to ensure that our actions as individuals do not hinder the progress we have made as a community.

NOW THEREFORE, I, LOURDES A. LEON GUERRERO, *I Maga'hågan Guåhan*, Governor of Guam, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Organic Act of Guam as amended, do hereby order:

- 1. EXTENSION OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY. The public health emergency first declared in Executive Order No. 2020-03, and most recently extended in Executive Order No. 2022-17, shall be extended for an additional thirty (30) day period, effective August 5, 2022. The public health emergency is now scheduled to expire on September 4, 2022.
- 2. **SEVERABILITY.** If any provision of this Executive Order or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of this Order that can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end, the provisions of this order are severable.



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3. **PRIOR ORDERS REMAIN IN EFFECT.** All prior Executive Orders remain in full force and effect except to the extent they conflict with this Order.

SIGNED AND PROMULGATED at Hagåtña, Guam, this 3rd day of August, 2022.

LOURDES A. LEON GUERRERO

Maga'hågan Guåhan Governor of Guam

Attested by:

JOSHUA F. TENORIO

Sigundo Maga'låhen Guåhan

Lt. Governor of Guam