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July 1, 2022

HONORABLE THERESE M. TERLAJE
Speaker
I Mina 'trentai Sais Na Liheslaturan Guåhan
36th Guam Legislature
Guam Congress Building
163 Chalan Santo Papa
Hagåtña, Guam 96910

RE: EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2022-17

Hafa Adai Madame Speaker:

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

**EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2022-17: RELATIVE TO EXTENDING THE PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY**

Thank you.

Senseremente,

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Legal Counsel

Enclosure: Executive Order No. 2022-17

cc via email: Maga'ågan Guåhan
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Hon. F. Philip Carbullido, Chief Justice of Guam
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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2022-17

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, more than two years later, like the rest of the nation and the world, our island’s fight against COVID-19 continues; and

WHEREAS, our community’s efforts against the spread of COVID-19 have been enhanced by broadly available testing, vaccinations and therapeutics, and most recently, the expanded availability of immunizations for young children; and

WHEREAS, notwithstanding the steadfast support of our frontliners and medical resources, our community risk factors continue to fluctuate based on the mobility of our population, the reopening of businesses and activities, and the resurgence of larger events; and

WHEREAS, as we continue to monitor our community’s progress against this pandemic, we urge our people not to let your guard down, to be vigilant, and to remember that your safety and the safety of your family depends on your continued observance of established personal mitigation, and common-sense adjustments to your behavior that minimize your exposure to sick individuals; and

WHEREAS, as we progress in this public health emergency, let us all be mindful of our actions contributing to the spread of this virus, and exercise better judgment for the good of our larger island 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. 2022-14, shall be extended for an additional thirty (30) day period, effective July 5, 2022. The public health emergency is now scheduled to expire on August 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.
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 1st day of July, 2022.

LOURDES A. LEON GUERRERO
Maga’hågan Guåhan
Governor of Guam

Attested by:

JOSHUA F. TENORIO
Sigundo Maga’låhen Guåhan
Lt. Governor of Guam