

TERRITORY OF GUAM OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR AGAÑA, GUAM 96910

U.S.A.

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2001-07

RELATIVE TO DECLARING A STATE OF EMERGENCY AT THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS IN ORDER TO ENSURE PROPER SANITATION FOR THE COMMUNITY BY STABILIZING OPERATIONS AT THE SOLID WASTE DIVISION.

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 2000-30 declared a state of emergency for the Department of Public Works, to ensure trash collection; and

WHEREAS, the sanitation workers were procured in order to work on additional packer trucks and to keep up with the volume of trash collection needed on our island to ensure public health and; and

WHEREAS, because of Guam's unique situation, the United States Congress included provisions in the Organic Act of Guam authorizing the Governor to ensure the provision of health care to the population of our island, and the Organic Act states on this subject:

"Subject to the laws of Guam, the Governor shall 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 he shall promulgate quarantine and sanitary regulations for the protection of Guam against the importation and spread of disease"; and

WHEREAS, the spread of disease through improper sanitation must be avoided and the pile-up of uncollected garbage and trash in a tropical climate is a condition which cannot be allowed to start or continue, and in order to address this situation the additional sanitation workers procured must continue to be part of the workforce; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, CARL T.C. GUTIERREZ, I Maga'Lahen Guåhan, Governor of Guam, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Organic Act of Guam, as amended, do order:

- 1) **Declaration of state of emergency.** A state of emergency exists in the provision of proper sanitation to our community in the timely pickup of trash, due to the shortage of Solid Waste Technicians. The build up of unsanitary or unhealthy conditions caused by garbage and trash that is not picked up and remains set out in a tropical climate must be avoided and eliminated.
- 2) Emergency procurement and emergency expenses. Pursuant to §5215 of Title 5, Guam Code Annotated, authorizing emergency procurement upon executive order, and pursuant to §22402 of Title 5, Guam Code Annotated authorizing the Governor to utilize up to Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000) of outstanding appropriations within the General Fund for expenses caused by civil defense, public safety or health emergencies, the Director of the Bureau of Budget and Management Research is authorized to transfer to the Department of Public Works an amount not to exceed Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000) from outstanding appropriations within the General Fund for immediate procurement by the Department of Public Works to

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provide goods and services to ensure proper sanitation for Guam's community, to provide additional Solid Waste Technicians.

SIGNED AND PROMULGATED at Hagåtña, Guam this 8th day February, 2001.

CARL T. C. GUTIERREZ I Maga'Lahen Guåhan Governor of Guam