



OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR  
HAGÁTÑA, GUAM 96910  
U.S.A.

**EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2004-06**

**RELATIVE TO ESTABLISHING A 2004 GUAM ISLAND FAIR / 60<sup>th</sup>  
GUAM LIBERATION DAY ORGANIZATIONAL COMMITTEE TO  
PLAN AND MAKE APPROPRIATE ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE  
GUAM ISLAND FAIR AND LIBERATION DAY CARNIVAL AND  
PARADE.**

**WHEREAS**, the Japanese Imperial Armed Forces invaded Guam just hours after the surprise attack on Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, December 8, 1941. The attack damaged the Marine Barracks at Orote Point, the Pan American Airways Clipper Base and Hotel, the Trans Pacific Cable Station, oil storage tanks, and the harbor village of Sumay; and

**WHEREAS**, on July 21, 1944, the Americans returned to liberate the island. Fifty thousand troops stormed across the reef at Asan and Agat, facing 18,000 entrenched Japanese. In the next 21 days of battle, Americans and Japanese soldiers lost their lives. Thousands more were wounded in action. And several hundred Chamorros died during the battles that became the cornerstone in the history of our island and our people; and

**WHEREAS**, as we commemorate the events of sixty years ago it is necessary to form a committee to coordinate activities related to World War II in the Pacific. The most significant event in the commemoration will be the Sixtieth Anniversary Salute to the men and women on Guam and abroad who returned to liberate Guam after World War II. We must always remember the heroism, dedication, and sacrifices of those who served. Their courage in battle continues to inspire us today as we cherish our freedom and democracy; and

**WHEREAS**, Liberation Day is not only a recognition of the anniversary of the liberation of Guam from the Japanese occupation by American forces and the re-establishment 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 the Liberation Day Carnival and Parade; and

**WHEREAS**, The **2004 GUAM ISLAND FAIR / 60<sup>th</sup> GUAM LIBERATION DAY ORGANIZATIONAL COMMITTEE** will focus this year's events in promoting the true meaning of liberation. The **2004 GUAM ISLAND FAIR / 60<sup>th</sup> GUAM LIBERATION DAY ORGANIZATIONAL COMMITTEE** will promote an awareness and education of what our people experienced during this period of Guam's rich history.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, FELIX P. CAMACHO**, *I Maga'låhen Guåhan*, Governor of Guam, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Organic Act of Guam, as amended, and the laws of Guam, do order as follows:

- 1. Creation and Appointment of the 2004 Guam Island Fair / 60<sup>th</sup> Guam Liberation Day Organizational Committee.** The **"2004 GUAM ISLAND FAIR / 60<sup>th</sup> GUAM LIBERATION DAY ORGANIZATIONAL COMMITTEE"** is created and its members are to be appointed by *I Maga'låhen Guåhan*, Governor



of Guam, pursuant to this Executive Order. Members are to be selected from a list of volunteers presented to the Governor.

2. **Organization.** The "2004 GUAM ISLAND FAIR / 60<sup>TH</sup> GUAM LIBERATION DAY ORGANIZATIONAL COMMITTEE" is to be organized as a nonprofit entity, and conducted pursuant to the laws of Guam for the public benefit and operated primarily for charitable or civic purposes. Members of the Committee may, at their discretion, further organize and associate themselves as permitted by the laws of Guam.
3. **Designated Meeting Place.** The government of Guam may provide a designated meeting place for the 2004 GUAM ISLAND FAIR / 60<sup>TH</sup> GUAM LIBERATION DAY ORGANIZATIONAL COMMITTEE. Activities of the Committee members shall conform to the requirements set forth by law.
4. **Duties of the Committee.** The 2004 GUAM ISLAND FAIR / 60<sup>TH</sup> GUAM LIBERATION DAY ORGANIZATIONAL COMMITTEE shall undertake all efforts to plan and make arrangements for the celebration of the Guam Island Fair and Liberation Day Carnival and Parade. The 2004 GUAM ISLAND FAIR / 60<sup>TH</sup> GUAM LIBERATION DAY ORGANIZATIONAL COMMITTEE shall name and oversee the progress of subcommittees tasked with various projects necessary for the commemoration of the anniversary of the liberation of Guam. The 2004 GUAM ISLAND FAIR / 60<sup>TH</sup> GUAM LIBERATION DAY ORGANIZATIONAL COMMITTEE shall be considered an independent and separate entity from other entities, however named, previously tasked with the planning of the Guam Island Fair and/or Guam Liberation Day organizational Committee and shall not be held responsible for any debts, obligations or liabilities of previous committees or entities.
5. **Program and Events.** The 2004 GUAM ISLAND FAIR / 60<sup>TH</sup> GUAM LIBERATION DAY ORGANIZATIONAL COMMITTEE shall coordinate events such as historical hikes, lecture series, public forums, exhibits, memorial services and the reenactment of the Manenggon death march. The 2004 GUAM ISLAND FAIR / 60<sup>TH</sup> GUAM LIBERATION DAY ORGANIZATIONAL COMMITTEE shall also plan a series of lectures to provide educational outlets in learning what happened during this time in our island's history. The activities will also cater to the many liberators and their families as well as the returning Guam residents. Liberation would not be the same without the traditions of the carnival and parade.
6. **Distribution of the 2004 Guam Island Fair and Liberation Day Carnival Proceeds.** Up to one-half of all net proceeds of the 2004 Guam Island Fair and Liberation Day Carnival shall be placed in a separate account called the "LIBERATION DAY TEXTBOOK FUND" and monies in this fund shall be used for the sole purpose of purchasing textbooks for Guam's schoolchildren and shall augment funds appropriated by the government for such purposes. All remaining proceeds shall be donated to a worthy public cause or causes as the Executive Committee of the 2004 GUAM ISLAND FAIR / 60<sup>TH</sup> GUAM LIBERATION DAY ORGANIZATIONAL COMMITTEE shall determine.



SIGNED AND PROMULGATED at Hagåtña, Guam this 18<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2004.

**FELIX P. CAMACHO**  
*Maga'låhen Guåhan*  
Governor of Guam

**COUNTERSIGNED:**

**KALEO S. MOYLAN**  
*Segundo Maga'låhen Guåhan*  
Lieutenant Governor of Guam

