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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2005 - 06

**RELATIVE TO ADOPTING AND PROMULGATING THE GUAM
EMERGENCY RESPONSE PLAN AND GUAM HAZARD
MITIGATION**

WHEREAS, the Island of Guam, because of its geographic location is under constant threat of natural and man-made disasters that may cause mass casualty and injuries, loss of real property and damage to our environment; and

WHEREAS, The Government of Guam has created two plans to ensure effective response and recovery from disasters, as well as a solid strategy for mitigation to reduce risks from future events. The Guam Emergency Response Plan outlines the actions necessary to respond to events, while the Guam Hazard Mitigation Plan (HM Plan) demonstrates Guam's commitment to reduce risks from natural hazards and serves as a guide for Guam's decision makers as they commit resources to reducing the effects of natural hazards; and

WHEREAS, Effective emergency response plans are critical to ensure that public safety, property and our environment are protected when a natural or other disaster occurs. The Guam Emergency Response Plan is based on older versions of the plan and has been updated with consultation from emergency management experts and lessons learned during responses to a variety of threats over the years; and

WHEREAS, The Island of Guam relies on both technical and other assistance from Federal partners during response to and recovery from events, making close coordination between all parties a necessity; and

WHEREAS, As a condition of receiving federal disaster mitigation funds, the Guam Hazard Mitigation Plan must meet the requirements of Section 409 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act of 1988 (Stafford Act) and Section 322 of the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 (DMA2000); and

WHEREAS, The HM Plan has been developed by the Hazard Mitigation Advisory Committee of the Civil Defense Advisory Council and is in place. The plan describes Guam's planning process for identifying hazards, risks and vulnerabilities; it also identifies and prioritizes mitigation actions, encouraging the ongoing development and effective implementation of Guam specific mitigation strategies and provides technical support for these efforts; and

WHEREAS, This Plan meets all requirements of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act of 1988 (Stafford Act) and Section 322 of the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 (DMA2000). This includes meeting the requirement that the plan be adopted by the Government of Guam and fulfilling all of the



requirements of the Crosswalk (specific criteria used by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) to evaluate the plan.); and

WHEREAS, The Government of Guam will also comply with all applicable Federal statutes and regulations in effect with respect to the periods for which it receives grant funding, in compliance with 44 CFR 13.11(c). Furthermore, the plan will be updated whenever necessary to reflect changes in Guam or Federal laws and statutes, as required in 44 CFR 13.11(d); and

WHEREAS, it is imperative that current emergency plans for effective use of all our island's resources to save lives and reduce human suffering and property loss be maintained and updated.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FELIX P. CAMACHO, Governor of the island of Guam, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Organic Act of Guam, as amended, do hereby promulgate the Guam Emergency Response Plan and the Guam Hazard Mitigation Plan to be effective as of the date of this Amendment; and further order the following:

1. This Executive Order and Plan supersedes Executive Order 97-18 relative to establishing a Guam Hazard Mitigation Advisory Committee and authorizing the Guam Hazard Mitigation Plan and Executive Order 91-09 relative to promulgating the Territory Emergency Plan.
2. All mitigation activities be in accordance with the Mitigation Strategy as developed and presented within this Plan.
3. Updates made to this Plan will be coordinated via this plan's Plan Maintenance Process and coordinated via the GHMO and the HMAC with the Office of Civil Defense.
4. This Plan supercedes any previous Hazard Mitigation Plans and serves as Appendix D of the Guam Emergency Response Plan

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and cause the Great Seal of Guam to be affixed in the City of Hagåtña, this 24 day of **February**, in the Year of our Lord Two Thousand and Five.

FELIX P. CAMACHO

I Maga' lãhen Guåhan
Governor of Guam

COUNTERSIGNED

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Lieutenant Governor of Guam

