



OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
HAGÁTÑA, GUAM 96910
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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2007- 07

ESTABLISHING A TASK FORCE IN PREPARATION FOR THE 2008 TENTH FESTIVAL OF PACIFIC ARTS ("FESTPAC") AND DESIGNATING THE GUAM COUNCIL ON THE ARTS AND HUMANITIES AGENCY AS THE LEAD AGENCY.

WHEREAS, the indigenous cultures of the Pacific: Micronesia, Melanesia, Polynesia and the continent of Australia, along with the islands of the Torres Strait, have come together for the past 35 years to celebrate the Festival of Pacific Arts;

WHEREAS, as a demonstration of the continuing vitality and distinction of the Chamorro traditions, the people of Guam have participated in past festivals, displaying our heritage in traditional art forms of dance, song, music, displays of crafts and other visual presentations;

WHEREAS, the exhibition or portrayal of Guam's artisans in previous Festivals of Pacific Arts has promoted Guam's culture among participating countries and instilled an increased pride of Chamorro culture;

WHEREAS, this prestigious event, which is recognized internationally, is celebrated every fourth year in a different host island, the tenth to be held in American Samoa from July 20 through August 2, 2008; and

WHEREAS, in order to organize a comprehensive display of Guam's visual and performing arts and crafts at the forthcoming 2008 Tenth Festival of Pacific Arts, and in view of the aims and focus of our efforts toward cultural preservation, honoring the customs of the Chamorro people and promoting the proud Chamorro heritage, there exists the need to establish the task force which will plan and coordinate Guam's participation at next year's festival.

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, as amended, do order as follows:

1. The creation of the 2008 Task Force for the Tenth Festival of Pacific Arts;
2. The designation of the Guam Council on the Arts and Humanities Agency (GCAHA) as the lead agency for Guam's participation in the Festival;
3. Official members of the task force shall be representatives from GCAHA, Guam Visitors Bureau, the Office of the Governor, and also shall represent visual artists, performing artists and the Community at Large; and



4. Ex-officio, advisory members of the task force shall be representative of Guam's historic, cultural, language, media, medical and artistic perspectives.

SIGNED AND PROMULGATED at Hagatna, Guam this 3rd day of May, 2007.

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FELIX P. CAMACHO
I Maga' Lâhen Guåhan
Governor of Guam

COUNTERSIGNED:

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Michael W. Cruz".

MICHAEL W. CRUZ, M.D.
I Segundo na Maga' Lâhen Guåhan
Lieutenant Governor of Guam

