

GOVERNMENT OF GUAM
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
AGANA, GUAM

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 78-43

SAGAN DINANA

WHEREAS, a beautiful community center has been erected in the heart of the capital city of Agana; and

WHEREAS, this community center is located between the Public Market and Chief Kepuha Park; and

WHEREAS, the statute of Chief Kepuha was erected to serve as a reminder to the Chamorro people that we have a beautiful cultural heritage that we should familiarize ourselves with and be proud of; and

WHEREAS, the Public Market was erected as a monument to the Green Revolution Program, which should serve as a reminder to the People of Guam that we were once an agrarian society and that if we ever want to build a strong economy, its cornerstone must be agriculture; and

WHEREAS, besides being an agricultural program, the Green Revolution Program is an attitudinal development program that can be enhanced by knowing more about our past so that we can build on it to deal with the present and plan for the future; and

WHEREAS, this new community center is a beautiful monument designed to recall our past; and

WHEREAS, like the Chamorro villages of old, the community center is located near a river and the ocean from which the villages drew their livelihood; and

WHEREAS, the community center was designed to resemble the closely clustered home concept of the pre-war capital city of Agana; and

WHEREAS, in the old capital of Agana, and in all the pre-war villages, there was always a central gathering place where wedding, christening, social and political events were conducted; and

WHEREAS, these gathering places embodied the soul of the community where the pulse and direction and the vibrancy could be determined; and

WHEREAS, the central pavilion of the Agana community center was designed to resemble the pre-war social halls; and

WHEREAS, the new Agana community center is the final phase of the plan to create a central market place near the public market where products made on Guam can be sold; and

WHEREAS, this new center will serve to enhance the concept of the public market, by providing a stage for cultural shows and exhibits and where local organizations as well as tourist groups can gather and still take advantage of the products being sold in the Public Market; and

WHEREAS, this new Agana community center should serve as the focal point of the civic, social and political activities of all the People of Guam, a place where we can all get together; and

WHEREAS, our beautiful Chamorro language has an appropriate phrase to describe such a location; and

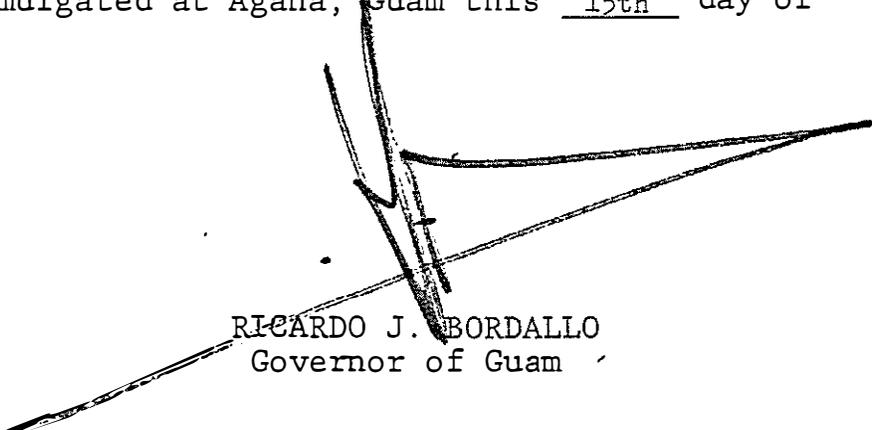
WHEREAS, that phrase is "Sagan Dinana";

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICARDO J. BORDALLO, Governor of Guam, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Organic Act of Guam, as amended, do hereby order that:

1. The community center in Agana, located between Plazan Kepuha and the Public Market, shall henceforth be known as "Sagan Dinana" -- The Place of Togetherness.
2. The administration, maintenance and care of Sagan Dinana shall be the responsibility of the Administrator of the Public Market.

3. The Administrator shall develop rules and regulations regarding use of Sagan Dinana, which rules and regulations shall be approved and promulgated by Executive Order of the Governor.
4. All permits for use of the center shall be approved and issued by the Administrator of the Public Market.

Signed and promulgated at Agana, Guam this 15th day of December, 1978.



RICARDO J. BORDALLO
Governor of Guam

COUNTERSIGNED:



RUDOLPH G. SABLAN
Lieutenant Governor