GOVERNMENT OF GUAM OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR AGANA, GUAM

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 84-20

DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY FOR PROCUREMENT OF SCHOOL BUSES BY THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

WHEREAS, the rejection of all bids submitted for the purchase of up to thirty school buses for FY 1984 and an additional ten school buses for FY 1985 has resulted in a serious delay in the procurement of the much needed buses, an emergency situation now exists that threatens the safety of the territory's school children and the government's ability to efficiently administer our island-wide school bus The last procurement of school buses transportation system. occurred in 1980 when twenty-nine "conventional" buses were purchased. The present demand requires 157 daily operational buses, with 25 buses in reserve. At this point in time, there are 147 buses available for use. The average useful life of a school bus on Guam is seven years. Currently, approximately 100 of the operational buses are ten or more years old. Thirty-two buses are presently designated for retirement, with safety of the passengers on the vehicles as one of the primary considerations for retirement.

WHEREAS, the existence of this emergency situation creates an immediate and serious need for new school buses that cannot be met through normal procurement methods, the lack of new buses seriously threatens the welfare and safety of the territory's school children; and time and other circumstances will not permit the delay required to resolicit competitive sealed bidding;

THEREFORE, I, RICARDO J. BORDALLO, Governor of Guam, hereby declare that an emergency situation exists and

to assure that the required school buses are procured in time to meet the emergency, the Director of Public Works is directed to make an emergency procurement of school buses by such competitive method as is practicable under the present circumstances.

Dated at Agana, Guam this 8th day of September, 1984.

RICARDO J. BORDALLO Governor of Guam

COUNTERSIGNED:

EDWARD D. REYES

Lieutenant Governor of Guam