



TERRITORY OF GUAM  
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR  
AGAÑA, GUAM 96910  
U. S. A.

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 88-14

RELATING TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A  
BUREAU FOR WOMENS' AFFAIRS

WHEREAS, Guam's population is more than one hundred thousand, of whom slightly more than one-half are female; and

WHEREAS, Guam's large female population has been without specific representation within the Executive Branch of the Government of Guam; and

WHEREAS, such representation is vitally needed in the various political, social, cultural, and economic structures and activities of the Territory of Guam; and

WHEREAS, this Administration is and remains committed to equal rights for women, as evidenced by the unprecedented number of women serving in this Administration as Department Directors and Deputy Directors, and in other key staff positions within this Administration; and

WHEREAS, Bureaus of Womens' Affairs, or similar agencies, have been established in many other jurisdictions with a great degree of success; and

WHEREAS, the Nineteenth Guam Legislature, in connection with Women's Heritage Month as declared by the Governor in March of 1988, has requested by Resolution the establishment of a Bureau for Womens' Affairs.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOSEPH F. ADA, Governor of the Territory of Guam, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Organic Act of Guam, as amended, do hereby order:

1. The establishment of a Bureau for Womens' Affairs within the Executive Branch of the Government of Guam.
2. The Bureau for Womens' Affairs shall be headed by a person within the Executive Branch appointed by the Governor.
3. The Bureau for Womens' Affairs shall also consist of a Board of Advisors, to be appointed by the Governor of Guam, which shall be composed of seven members, no fewer than two female and two male members, in accordance with the Laws of Guam that govern the composition of Boards.

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4. The Bureau for Womens' Affairs shall be responsible for closely monitoring issues and legislation relating to women, and shall further be responsible for advising the Governor of Guam of said issues along with recommendations for actions which may need to be taken.

SIGNED AND PROMULGATED at Agana, Guam, this 23rd day of May, in the Year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Eighty-Eight.

*Joseph F. Ada*  
JOSEPH F. ADA  
Governor

Countersigned:

FRANK F. BLAS  
Lieutenant Governor