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HONORABLE TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES

Speaker

I Mina'trentai Singko Na Liheslaturan Guåhan

35th Guam Legislature

Guam Congress Building

163 Chalan Santo Papa

Hagåtña, Guam 96910

Re: Executive Order No. 2020-31

Dear Madame Speaker:

Pursuant to Public Law 34-16, transmitted herewith is the following Executive Order:

**EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2020-31:
RELATIVE TO EXTENDING THE STAY-AT-HOME ORDER**

If you have any questions, please contact my office at # 475-9475/76.

Senseramente,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Sophia Santos Diaz".

SOPHIA SANTOS DIAZ

Legal Counsel

Enclosure(s): Executive Order No. 2020-31

cc via email: *Maga'hågan Guåhan*
Sigundo Maga'låhen Guåhan
Hon. F.Philip Carbullido, Chief Justice of Guam
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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2020-31

**RELATIVE TO EXTENDING THE
STAY-AT-HOME ORDER**

WHEREAS, on August 21, 2020, I executed Executive Order No. 2020-28, which contained the first Stay-at-Home Order that has been implemented in Guam since the current public health emergency began on March 14, 2020; and

WHEREAS, since then, I have extended and modified stay-at-home conditions two (2) more times; and

WHEREAS, as of the execution of this Order, the island has suffered twenty-one (23) deaths related to COVID-19, ten (10) of which occurred in the past week ; and

WHEREAS, our rates of positivity and hospitalization still put us perilously close to exceeding capacity across our hospital system; and

WHEREAS, our daily positive case count remains high, and additional high-count COVID-19 clusters have emerged; and

WHEREAS, while we have directed resources to assist with contact tracing, including launching the Guam COVID Alert application, and secured assistance in the form of medical and healthcare personnel from the Department of Defense, the single best tool we have against COVID-19 spread is the limitation of personal interactions between people and a continued Stay-at-Home Order effectively does just that; and

WHEREAS, for the preservation of public health and safety throughout out island, it is necessary to continue stay-at-home measures and restrictions on entry into Guam on a temporary basis, to reduce the spread of COVID-19 in our community, bring our positivity rate further down, and give our healthcare delivery system the opportunity to manage the increased admissions of residents infected with COVID-19.

NOW THEREFORE, I, LOURDES A. LEON GUERRERO, *I Maga'hågan Guåhan*, Governor of Guam, by virtue of the of the authority vested in in me by the Organic Act of Guam as amended, do hereby order:

- 1. PANDEMIC CONDITION OF READINESS 1.** Guam continues to be in PCOR 1, during which the most restrictive conditions are imposed in an effort to slow the spread of COVID-19 in our community.
- 2. CONTINUED STAY-AT-HOME ORDER.** The Stay-at-Home Order first issued in Executive Order No. 2020-28 and extended in Executive Orders No. 2020-29 and 2020-30, shall be extended and will continue until 12:00PM on September 18, 2020,



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unless extended by further order. All persons in Guam are directed to continue to stay at home, subject to limited exceptions such as obtaining food and household necessities, going to and from work at authorized businesses as identified in applicable Department of Public Health and Social Services (“DPHSS”) Guidance, seeking medical care, caring for dependents or pets, caring for a vulnerable person in another location, or for individual exercise. Stay-at-Home conditions instituted in Executive Order No. 2020-29 and in DPHSS Guidance Memorandum 2020-037 shall remain in effect, subject to further amendments made thereto.

3. **SEVERABILITY.** If any provision of this Executive Order or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of this Order that can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end, the provisions of this order are severable.
4. **PRIOR ORDERS REMAIN IN EFFECT.** All prior Executive Orders remain in full force and effect except to the extent they conflict with this Order.

SIGNED AND PROMULGATED at Hagátña, Guam, this 11th day of September, 2020.



LOURDES A. LEON GUERRERO
Maga'hågan Guåhan
Governor of Guam

Attested by:

JOSHUA F. TENORIO
Sigundo Maga'låhen Guåhan
Lt. Governor of Guam



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**DIRECTIVE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC
HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES**

1. Pursuant to 10 G.C.A. § 19601 *et seq*, I, as the Director of the Department of Public Health and Social Services, in an effort to prevent the transmission of COVID-19, and to ensure that all cases of COVID-19 are controlled and treated, **HEREBY DIRECT** as follows:
 - a. All individuals are directed to continue to stay at home or in their places of residence, subject to limited exceptions delineated in applicable DPHSS Guidance. With respect to persons residing in hotels, condominiums, townhomes, apartments, or other multi-unit dwellings, “place of residence” means the person’s individual hotel room or unit.
 - b. Individuals may leave their home to provide or to avail themselves of authorized services enumerated in applicable DPHSS Guidance, which are identified and designated for the purpose of protecting the health and well-being of all Guam residents during the pendency of this Directive, and to ensure continuity of critical healthcare, government functions, public safety, and supply chain operations so that Guam residents have uninterrupted access to necessities such as food, prescriptions, and health care.
 - c. When individuals need to leave their homes or places of residence, they should abide by mitigation measures identified in DPHSS Guidance 2020-37, including the wearing of masks and the practice of social distancing.
 - d. It is the finding of DPHSS that this Directive constitutes the least restrictive means necessary to prevent the spread of COVID-19 from infected individuals to non-infected individuals in the community.
 - e. It is further the finding of DPHSS that individuals who violate this Directive may be placing others in danger of death or serious bodily injury from infection to COVID-19.
2. This Directive shall be effective through 12:00PM on September 18, 2020, unless otherwise directed.

SO ORDERED, this 11th day of September 2020.


ARTHUR U. SAN AGUSTIN, MHR