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**Thirty-ninth COVID-19-Related Fatality;
GBHWC Crisis Hotline Available 24/7**

The Joint Information Center was notified that Guam's thirty-ninth COVID-19-related fatality occurred at the Guam Memorial Hospital (GMH) at approximately 8:40 p.m. last night. He was transferred to GMH after testing positive upon admission to Guam Regional Medical City (GRMC) on August 28. The patient was a 66-year-old male with underlying health conditions that were compounded by COVID-19.

"Our island continues to grieve as we lose another person to this virus. To his family and friends, Jeff, Lt. Governor Josh, and I share in your sorrows and express our sincerest condolences and sympathies," said Governor Lou Leon Guerrero. "COVID-19 is cold, ruthless, and painfully isolating. We all have to be frontliners to defeat this virus and we must do so at the community-level. This afternoon, Guam will be transitioning to a Safer-at-Home Advisory. This shift does not mean we can become complacent. It does not mean we can let our guard down. We must continue to do what is necessary to prevent any more days of mourning."

For information on COVID-19 cases, visit the COVID-19 Dashboard and Situation Report at <http://dphss.guam.gov/covid-19/>. The COVID-19 Dashboard is updated on business days.

GBHWC Crisis Hotline Available 24/7

The Guam Behavioral Health and Wellness Center (GBHWC) has a Crisis Hotline that is available 24/7 at **(671) 647-8833/4**. For those feeling anxious, stressed, overwhelmed or are needing to talk to someone, GBHWC has experienced providers available and ready to assist the community with any heightened stress and anxiety experienced as a result of COVID-19.

For the latest information on COVID-19, visit dphss.guam.gov or guamrecovery.com. For inquiries on COVID-19, contact 311 through a local number, or call the Joint Information Center at (671) 478-0208/09/10.

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