April 20, 2022

HONORABLE THERESE M. TERLAJE, Speaker
I Mina ’trentai Sais Na Lihesluran Guåhan
36th Guam Legislature
Guam Congress Building
163 Chalan Santo Papa
Hagåtña, Guam 96910

RE: EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2022-12

Hafa Adai Madame Speaker:

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

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2022-12: RELATIVE TO EXTENDING THE APPLICATION DEADLINE FOR THE REACTIVATED PRÚGRÂMAN SALÁPPE’ AYUDON I TAOTAO PROGRAM

Thank you.

Senseremente,

LESLEI A. TRAVIS
Legal Counsel

Enclosure: Executive Order No. 2022-12

cc via email: Magå ‘hågan Guåhan
SIGUNDO MAGA’LÁHEN GUÅHAN
Hon. F. Philip Carbullido, Chief Justice of Guam
Compiler of Law
Central Files
Cabinet Members
WHEREAS, on March 14, 2020, I, Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero, I Maga'han Guahan, Governor of Guam, acting pursuant to the power provided by the Organic Act of Guam and the laws of Guam, declared a public health emergency on the island of Guam due to dangers posed by the 2019 novel coronavirus (“COVID-19”); and

WHEREAS, our administration has successfully launched diverse programs to assist businesses and individuals weather the economic uncertainty caused by this pandemic, including small business assistance, bereavement grants, mortgage, and rental assistance, additional cash assistance to needy families, displaced worker job placements, and unemployment benefits; and

WHEREAS, on May 5, 2020, in Executive Order No. 2020-12, I directed the establishment of Programan Salape’ Ayudon I Taotao Program (“Programan Salape”) to provide financial assistance to individuals victimized by the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, on February 22, 2022, in Executive Order No. 2022-03, I reactivated Programan Salape for the purpose of distributing additional direct aid cash assistance for qualifying individuals and households to alleviate the rising cost of gas; and

WHEREAS, to date, over 24,000 households in Guam have benefited from aid distributed under the reactivated Programan Salape; and

WHEREAS, the deadline to apply for the aid under the reactivated Programan Salape lapsed on April 15, 2022; and

WHEREAS, in an effort to extend this relief to more qualifying households, it is prudent to extend the application period for the reactivated Programan Salape for an additional period of thirty (30) days; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Administration (“DOA”) will again begin accepting applications for Programan Salape on April 22, 2022, which will be paid out monthly for a period of three (3) consecutive months following the verification of the application; and

WHEREAS, it is my hope that by extending the deadline to apply for relief under this program, this aid will reach the households in our community who need it the most, and empower them to participate more fully in our island’s efforts to recover from the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic.

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RELATIVE TO EXTENDING THE APPLICATION DEADLINE FOR THE REACTIVATED PRUGRAMÁN SALÁPPE’ AYUDON I TAOTAO PROGRAM
NOW, THEREFORE, I, LOURDES A. LEON GUERRERO, 1 Maga’hågan Guåhan, Governor of Guam, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Organic Act of Guam as amended, do hereby order:

1. EXTENSION OF THE DEADLINE TO SUBMIT APPLICATIONS UNDER THE REACTIVATED PRUGRÂMAN SALÂPPE’ AYUDON I TAOTAO PROGRAM. The Department of Administration ("DOA") shall continue to administer the reactivated Prugramân Salâppe’ Ayudon I Taotao Program ("Prugramân Salâppe’"), as provided in Executive Order No. 2022-03, and subject to criteria and requirements provided therein. DOA shall resume accepting applications for Prugramân Salâppe’ on April 22, 2022, and shall continue to receive applications until May 22, 2022. DOA is further allocated Three Hundred Thousand dollars ($300,000) from program funding to administer Prugramân Salâppe’.

2. 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.

3. 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 Hagåtña, Guam, this 20th day of April, 2022.

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

Attested by:

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