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HAGÅTÑA, GUAM
PROCLAMATION 2024-10

A Proclamation of the Governor

PROCLAIMING 2024 THE YEAR OF THE VETERAN

WHEREAS, the people of Guam hold in deep gratitude the resolute commitment and sacrifices of our veterans in securing and safeguarding our nation. The dedication, courage, and service of our veterans deserve our utmost respect and recognition;

WHEREAS, brave and patriotic men and women who willingly sacrificed their well-being for the cause of freedom and democracy have defended our nation and its principles throughout history;

WHEREAS, we have profound respect for our veterans who selflessly risked their lives for the good of this nation, its people, and our cherished freedoms;

WHEREAS, Guam's unwavering patriotism is evidenced by having one of the highest rates of veterans per capita in the nation. Approximately 7,500 veterans are estimated to live in Guam out of a population of only 154,000 people;

WHEREAS, celebrating the service and sacrifice of our veterans can include hosting meaningful events and activities by stakeholders, including veterans organizations, public and private entities, and the general public, to recognize and honor veterans; and

WHEREAS, it is important to honor the sacrifices of our veterans and inspire future generations by appreciating and recognizing the invaluable contributions veterans have made to Guam and the United States throughout the year.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, LOURDES A. LEON GUERRERO, *Maga'hågan Guåhan*, Governor of Guam, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Organic Act of Guam, as amended, do hereby proclaim 2024 is the "Year of the Veteran," dedicated to celebrating the service and sacrifice of our courageous veterans throughout the entire year.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I, JOSHUA F. TENORIO, *Segundo Maga'låhen Guåhan*, Lieutenant Governor of Guam, hereby, together with the *Maga'håga*, cause the Great Seal of Guam to be affixed in the Capital City of *Hagåtña*, on this **Second** day of **Feburary** in the Year of our Lord, *Anno Domini*, **Two Thousand and Twenty-Four**.



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

COUNTERSIGNED:

Joshua F. Tenorio

JOSHUA F. TENORIO
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