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Honorable Benjamin J.F. Cruz
Speaker
I Mina'trentai Kuåttro Na Liheslaturan Guåhan
Guam Congress Building
163 Chalan Santo Papa
Hagåtña, Guam 96910

RE: Board Appointment

Dear Mr. Speaker:

By virtue of the authority vested in me pursuant to the Organic Act of Guam and the local laws applicable to the following position, I am pleased to transmit the following appointment and supporting documents for:

APPOINTEE:	Aja Ramos
POSITION:	NASW Representative, Guam Board of Social Work
TERM LENGTH:	**Three (3) years**
TERM SERVED:	December 26, 2015 to December 25, 2018

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The appointment is subject to the consent of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan*. Please schedule a hearing at your earliest convenience.

Senseramente,

RAY TENORIO
I Maga'låhen Guåhan, para pa'go
Acting Governor of Guam

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Ms. Aja Ramos
[redacted]

Dear Ms. Ramos:

Thank you for your commitment to serve the people of Guam. The Calvo-Tenorio administration continues to face challenges, both near and long-term. Facing these challenges requires the collective efforts of the best minds who have the courage to make tough decisions for the good of all our people. I hereby appoint you to serve in the Calvo-Tenorio administration as:

NASW Representative, Guam Board of Social Work
Length of term: Three (3) Years
Term served: December 26, 2015 to December 25, 2018

This appointment is subject to the advice and consent of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan*. Please contact the Office of the Governor at 472-8931 should you have any questions.

Senseramente,

RAY TENORIO
I Maga'låhen Guåhan, para pa'go
Acting Governor of Guam

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National Association of Social Workers

May 25, 2017

Honorable Governor Eddie B. Calvo
Ricardo J. Bordallo Complex
Adelup, Guam 96910

Subject: Guam Social Work Board Recommendation

Buenas yan Hafa Adai Honorable Governor Calvo,

NASW Guam Chapter is pleased to recommend and submit the attached resume of Aja Ramos, Licensed Independent Clinical Social Worker, to be considered for the position of Board Member with the Guam Board of Social Work (GBSW).

As you may be aware, we are in need of board members to fill board member positions within the GBSW and it is our hope that she will be considered for this position.

Any help you can provide with this recommendation will be greatly appreciated. If you have any further questions, please feel free to contact me at 727-6843 or email naswgu@gmail.com

Respectfully Submitted,

Ovita R. Perez, MSW, LPC
Chapter Manager

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GUAM

Nomination and Appointment Information

The following information is required for submission to the Speaker of *I Liheslaturan Guahan* in accordance with Title 4, Guam Code Annotated Section 2103:

NOMINEE INFORMATION

Last Name	Ramos	First	Aja	M.I.	Date	04/10/2017
Mailing Address	[redacted]			Apartment/Unit #	[redacted]	
City	[redacted]	State	[redacted]	ZIP	[redacted]	
Phone	[redacted]	E-mail Address	[redacted]			
Position to which Appointment is Made	Social Work Board					
Are you a citizen of the United States?	YES ☑	NO ☐	If no, are you authorized to work in the U.S.?	YES ☐	NO ☐	

EDUCATION

High School	Academy of Our Lady of Guam			City/State	Hagatna, Guam		
From	1993	To	1997	Did you graduate?	YES ☑	NO ☐	Degree: High school Diploma
College	Seattle University			City/State	Seattle, WA		
From	1997	To	2001	Did you graduate?	YES ☑	NO ☐	Degree: Bachelor of Arts

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EDUCATION

Graduate School	University of Washington				City/State	Seattle, WA		
From	2004	To	2006	Did you graduate?	YES ☑	NO ☐	Degree	Master in Social Work
Other Degree					City/State			
From		To		Did you graduate?	YES ☐	NO ☐	Degree	

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

(1) Present Employer	WestCare Pacific Islands	Position	Program Manager
Address	Hagatna, Guam	Dates Held	March 2017 - Present
(2) Previous Employer	WestCare Pacific Islands	Position	Program Manager
Address	Hagatna, Guam	Dates Held	June 2016 - February 2017
(3) Previous Employer	Sound Mental Health	Position	Program Coordinator/Wraparound Coach
Address	Bellevue, WA	Dates Held	January 2014 - July 2015
(4) Previous Employer	Sound Mental Health	Position	Wraparound Facilitator
Address	Bellevue, WA	Dates Held	September 2009 - January 2014
(5) Previous Employer	Seattle Mental Health	Position	Care Coordinator
Address	Seattle, WA	Dates Held	September 2006 - September 2009

PRIOR GOVERNMENT OF GUAM SERVICE

Agency		Phone	
Address			
Job Title	From:	To	

PRIOR GOVERNMENT OF GUAM SERVICE			
Agency		Phone	
Address			
Job Title	From:	To	

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Agency		Phone	
Address			
Job Title	From:	To	
Agency		Phone	
Address			
Job Title	From:	To	

TRAINING	
Institute/Seminars/On-the-Job Training:	Date
Licensed Independent Clinical Social Worker, Washington State	2013 - Present
Certified Child Mental Health Specialist, Washington State	2010 - Present
Certified Mental Health Professional, Washington State	2006 - Present
MSW Intern, Asian Counseling and Referral Service, Children Youth & Families	September 2005 - June 2006
MSW Intern, Neighbor Care, Teen Health Center, West Seattle High School	December 2004 - June 2005

AWARDS
List all educational, professional, civic awards, and recognition for public service:

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PROFESSIONAL INVOLVEMENT

List involvement on a local/national/international level, list organization, activities participated in, offices held:

Speaker, 5th Avenue Theater, Theater Talks "Youth Depression and Suicide Prevention" Seattle, WA 2011

Presenter, Sound Mental Health & Family Services Metro Team "Strengths-based engagement with youth on the Autism Spectrum & their Families" Seattle, WA 2014

Presenter, SMH Children & Family Services South Team "Wraparound Myths & Realities" Seattle, WA 2014

Presenter, Washington State Developmental Disabilities Administration Annual WA State CIBS Provider Conference, DU Ponte, WA 2014

Presenter, 2014 National Wraparound Conference "Strengths-base engagement w/youth on the Autism Spectrum & their families" Coco Beach, FL

COMMUNITY / CIVIC INOVLEMENT

List organizations, activities, participated in, offices held

PUBLICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

List any published articles, papers delivered at professional meetings, etc.:

Featured, Asperger's Autisn Digest Article "Advocates, No Adversaries" November/December 2012

Published Author, peer reviewed journal: A.Cruz (2006) "Self-determinations: A dream of liberation from a native Chamoru daughter"

MILITARY SERVICE (*PLEASE ATTACH FORM DD-214)*

Branch		From		To	
Rank at Discharge		Type of Discharge			

OTHER INFORMATION

(1) Have you ever been found guilty of a felony in any court, whether within or without the United States?	YES ☐	NO ☑

If so, please specify in detail:

Address of the court: _____

Date of Conviction: _____

Specific infraction committed: _____

(2) Have you ever been declared mentally incompetent by any court, whether within or without the United States?	YES ☐	NO ☑

If so, please specify in detail the reasons and facts related to such declaration:

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(3) Have you ever been found not guilty or not punishable in any criminal proceedings by reason of insanity?	YES ☐	NO ☑
(4) Have you ever been confined to a mental institution for any reason?	YES ☐	NO ☑

If so, please specify in why the appointing authority believes you that you are not suffering from any mental illness or affliction:

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Statement of Financial Interests

(Required by 4 G.C.A. § 13104.1)

TO: Governor Eddie Baza Calvo
Ricardo J. Bordallo Governor's Complex
Adelup, Guam 96910

FROM: _____

☑ I have no financial interest in any business

☐ I do have interest(s) in the following business(es):

Name and address of business interest:	Type and amount of interest

Signature

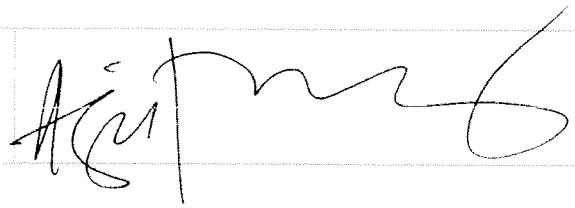
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AFFIDAVIT / DECLARATION UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY

I, the undersigned, do hereby depose and say that: (1) I have read and reviewed the information contained in the attached Appointment/Nomination letter from the Governor of Guam; (2) that the matters contained in the Appointment/Nomination letter, together with all attachments thereto, are true and correct and that I am competent to testify to said matters; and (3) that this Declaration is made for the purpose of complying with the requirements of 4 G.C.A. Section 2103.5.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of Guam (4 G.C.A. Section 4308) that the foregoing is true and
correct.

Signature		Date	4/10/2017

AJA CRUZ RAMOS [redacted]

EDUCATION

- **Master in Social Work,** June 2006, University of Washington, School of Social Work
- **Bachelor of Arts**, May 2001, Seattle University, College of Arts and Sciences

PROFESSIONAL CREDENTIALS

- **Licensed Independent Clinical Social Worker** Washington State, 2013- Present
- **Certified Child Mental Health Specialist**, Washington State, 2010- Present
- **Certified Mental Health Professional**, Washington State, 2006-Present

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Program Coordinator, June 2016-Present
West Care Pacific Islands, PREP-PATHways Program, Hagatna, Guam

- Manage execution federal grant program to reduce the incidents of teen pregnancy and increase STI/HIV awareness in targeted public schools
- Responsible for training and supervision of all program staff and requirements of program delivery
- Led team program implementation, meeting all deliverables in the 1st program year
- Facilitate partnership with key community stakeholders to increase program capacity and suitability
- Collaborated closely with the national and local evaluator to monitor and implement process and outcome evaluation procedures
- Worked closely with local evaluator to create fidelity system to track adherence to curriculum, adaptations, and cultural enhancements
- Managed program recruitment strategies, including forging partnerships to expand program sites

Program Coordinator/Wraparound Coach, January 2014---July 2015
Sound Mental Health, Wraparound Program, Bellevue WA
Program development and evaluation

- Led SMH in grant based program implementation of nation wraparound fidelity model by the National Wraparound Initiative (NWI)
- Teamed with Wraparound Evaluation Research Team (WERT) based out of the University of Washington to collect and analyze data to measure outcomes and effectiveness of program strategies
- Administered standardized evaluation tools including WIFI---EZ and TOMS to measure fidelity of program model
- Analyzed local results of evaluation against national data for similar wraparound programs
- Analyzed and interpreted results of evaluation data in conjunction with other grant agencies and WERT evaluation team specifically addressing direct service model, client clinical outcomes, and macro system level coordination
- Trained and led direct staff in evaluation collection measures with program participants
- Presented and led results discussion with SMH upper management in order to create plan to address program strengths and deficits
- Identified gaps in program services and created skills based training with staff improve the practice, delivery and fidelity of SMH program

Community Coordination

- Strengthened collaborative agreements, shared resources, and continued the process of integration to fortify coordinated care for families with community stakeholders and systems of care partners including 5 local school districts, Department of Developmental Disabilities, Department of Children and Family Services, King County Crisis Services, local mental health agencies, and other child serving institutions
- Maintained partnerships with multiple child---serving system partners on behalf of SMH to represent organizational goals
- Participated in program standardization of the wraparound process across King County, in conjunction with 5 different partner organizations working collaboratively to build the infrastructure and means to ensure quality program implementation
- Participated monthly in Community Resource Team, a strategic cross---system, regional panel with key multi---agency representatives who align resources for extraordinary cases presented to the panel

- Partnered with regional hospitals, state---wide psychiatric facilities, county specific crisis services, local school districts, case workers and other agencies to ensure continuum of care for clients with highest level of intense and complex needs in the county
- Delivered presentations and community education of the wraparound model and systems of care approach on local, regional, and national levels

Staff development

- Used strengths---based group coaching, one---on---one coaching, live---coaching and individual clinical supervision with staff to ensure skilled execution of the wraparound process and principals
- Conducted performance evaluations and goal setting around skill enhancement for individual staff
- Created training platform for overall program to further adherence to fidelity wraparound delivery based on evaluation data
- Created and implemented 'on---boarding' strategies for new staff aligned with NWI fidelity Coaching model for wraparound staff

Administration

- Completed monthly reports on program expenses, workforce development, client enrollment, and community engagement to grant administrators
- Monitored outcomes survey collection and data processing
- Resolved all personnel issues in accordance with human resources processes
- Administered and completed staff evaluations in a timely manner

Wraparound Facilitator, September 2009 --- January 2014
Sound Mental Health, Wraparound Program, Bellevue WA

Collaboration

- Facilitated multidisciplinary team process based on a national high fidelity wraparound model, focused on strengths---based planning and assessment for youth and families with complex mental health needs, multisystem involvement and developmental disabilities
- Created holistic team based care plan which included, setting measurable goals, assigning group tasks, monitoring plan implementation with all members of the team, evaluating effectiveness of the interventions, and refining approaches when necessary
- Executed presentations on wraparound within the local community to raise awareness of the program and model
- Collaborated with case workers, teachers, social workers, therapists, and other professionals to align resources and create plans for individual clients

Clinical Services

- Coordinated care including crisis management, mental health triage, team coordination, and providing referrals to appropriate and culturally competent resources for families with children aged 2---21
- Worked closely with youth with Autism and their families to create integrated plans of care across educational, community, and service settings
- Collaborated with specialists to address needs of youth with Autism including ABA, speech, occupational, physical, and mental health therapists
- Helped families with youth with Autism access and align services including mental health, education, health and DDA (Developmental Disabilities Administration) services
- Executed creative strategies to engage youth, including youth with autism, in the wraparound process
- Educated families on various psychological challenges and disorders including attachment, trauma, developmental stages, bi---polar disorder, suicide prevention, psychosis and autism
- Assisted families in navigating various child serving systems and processes to increase their access to care

Specialized Expertise

- Worked closely with clients with a range of psychological and developmental challenged including Autism, Spectrum Disorder, Reactive Attachment Disorder, Bi---polar, Generalized Anxiety Disorder, Post---Traumatic Stress Disorder, ADHD, Learning Disabilities, Schizophrenia, and Substance Abuse Disorders

Care Coordinator , September 2006--- September 2009
Seattle Mental Health, Denny Middle School, Seattle WA

Direct Services

- Provided system---wide coordination and individual support for students within an urban middle school setting
- Coordinated and facilitated cross---system/provider meetings with representatives from various community organizations
- Provided school based crisis intervention and mental health support services which included counseling, case management, mental health consultation, and referral services
- Served as school liaison and coordinated logistics with community based mental health providers

Program Development

- Participated in program development process for pilot program in collaboration with University of Washington and Seattle Children's Hospital to collect data to create innovative service delivery model
- Administered standardized assessment tools including CBCL, YSR and a global needs assessment, to capture client needs and define program demographics
- Worked with program evaluators to determine expandability of program and how the service delivery model fits into the school---based setting
- Teamed with evaluators to compile qualitative data to define local program pilot model and compare with other national school---based models
- Delivered presentations to funders and other grant funders to characterize service delivery and present effectiveness in the school setting

MSW Intern, September 2005 --- June 2006
Asian Counseling and Referral Service, Children Youth and Families, Seattle, WA

- Provided mental health counseling for caseload of 7 clients utilizing culturally competent practices specific to immigrant, refugee, and Asian Pacific Islander populations
- Coordinated guest speakers/trainers to provide innovative prevention workshops to youth, with a specific focus on dating and domestic violence
- Assisted in drafting $10,000 foundation grant-application for Eastside Teen Peer Advocate Program.

MSW Intern, December 2004 -June 2005
NeighborCare, Teen Health Center, West Seattle High School, Seattle, WA

- Provided individual school-based counseling to high school students from diverse ethnic backgrounds
- Co---facilitated youth groups, including young women's empowerment and "Undoing Institutionalized Racism" group
- Collaborated with multi-disciplinary school personnel and other service providers around students' needs

Family Service Worker, March 2003-July 2004
Volunteers of America, Early Head Start Program, San Bernardino, CA

- Educated program participants on child developmental milestones of children 0--3 who were enrolled in Early Headstart program
- Delivered home based case management and advocacy services for families from low income and immigrant communities
- Helped parents access critical health and social services for their young children
- Processed applications for Early Head Start and enrolled new participants
- Coordinated and promoted agency representation at community events and fairs
- Conducted outreach and recruitment in collaboration with other human service providers

PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS

- **Speaker**, 5th Avenue Theater, Theater Talks, *"Youth depression and suicide prevention,"* Seattle, WA, 2011
- **Presenter**, Sound Mental Health Children and Family Services Metro Team, *"Strengths---based engagement with youth on the Autism Spectrum and their families,"* Seattle, WA, 2014
- **Presenter**, Sound Mental Health Children and Family Services South Team, *"Wraparound Myths & Realities,"* Seattle, WA, 2014
- **Presenter**, Washington State Developmental Disabilities Administration Annual WA State CIBS Provider Conference, *"Strengths---based engagement with youth on the Autism Spectrum and their families,"* 2014, Du Ponte, WA
- **Presenter**, 2014 National Wraparound Conference, *"Strengths---based engagement with youth on the Autism*

Spectrum and their families," Coco Beach Florida 2014

- **Featured**, Asperger's Autism Digest article *"Advocates, not Adversaries,"* November/December, 2012
- **Presenter**, SMH Community Education Workshop, *"Wrap Works,"* Sound Mental Health, Bellevue, WA 2009
- **Published author**, peer---------reviewed journal: A. Cruz (2006), *"Self---determination: A dream of liberation from a native Chamoru daughter,"* Social Work Perspectives, Spring 2006, Vol.17

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DANIELLE T. ROSETE
Clerk of Court

Name: AJA CRUZ RAMOS

SS#: ID# GDL# [redacted] Date of Birth: [redacted]

CERTIFICATE OF SEARCH

The undersigned Clerk hereby certifies the following results of a diligent search of the records of this Court:

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Dated: 04/21/2017

DANIELLE T. ROSETE
Clerk of Court

BY: EILEEN S.N. GUERRERO
Deputy Clerk

Prepared By: ESNG

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GUAM POLICE DEPARTMENT
RECORDS & IDENTIFICATION SECTION
P.O. Box 23909
Guam Main Facility, Guam 96921

June 1, 2017

SUBJECT: CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORD

NAME:	**Aja Cruz RAMOS**		
DATE OF BIRTH:	[redacted]	**FINGERPRINT #:**	**NONE**
■	**The individual has no record of conviction (s) in GPD files that are subject to Guam law and rules and regulations of the Department.**		

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By Direction: BARBIE

JOSEPH I. CRUZ
Chief of Police

The absence of an original GUAM POLICE seal invalidates this police clearance.
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