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Speaker
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Dear Mr. Speaker:

Pursuant to § 102 (e) of Chapter 1, Title 1, Guam Code Annotated, transmitted herewith is a copy of Executive Order No. 2018-06.

Senseramente,

EDDIE BAZA CALVO

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2018-06

RELATIVE TO EXTENDING THE MORATORIUM ON THE RENEWAL OF QUALIFYING CERTIFICATES FOR AN ADDITIONAL NINETY (90) DAYS

WHEREAS, on February 26, 2018, Executive Order No. 2018-02 ordered the imposition of a 90-day moratorium on the renewal or extension of Qualifying Certificates issued pursuant to Title 12, Guam Code Annotated, Chapter 58; and

WHEREAS, the moratorium was enacted to protect the welfare of the Territory and Government of Guam pending a determination and resolution of the negative economic impacts anticipated to result from decreased tax revenues caused by the federal *Tax Cuts and Jobs Act* [U.S. P.L. No. 115-97]; and

WHEREAS, although the Government of Guam has since enacted a number of revenue enhancement and cost cutting measures, including the enactment of Public Law 34-87 to temporarily raise the Business Privilege Tax by 1% and enact a 2% sales tax, until the shortfall caused by the national tax reform act is fully covered, the Government must continue to make every effort to remedy the financial crisis and to keep Guam's economy stable; and

WHEREAS, Section § 1421i(c) of the Organic Act of Guam (Title 48, United States Code) provides that "the administration and enforcement of the Guam Territorial Income Tax shall be performed by or under the supervision of the Governor"; and

WHEREAS, Section § 1422 of the Organic Act of Guam (Title 48, United States Code) provides that the executive power of Guam is vested in the Governor of Guam "who shall have general supervision and control of all the departments, bureaus, agencies, and other instrumentalities of the executive branch of the government of Guam."

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NOW, THEREFORE, I, EDDIE BAZA CALVO, Governor of Guam, by the authority vested in me by the Organic Act and laws of Guam, do hereby order and direct as follows:

(1) **Extension of Moratorium Suspending the Renewal or Extension of Qualifying Certificates.** Executive Order No. 2018-02 and the moratorium ordered on the renewal or extension of all Qualifying Certificates is *extended* for an additional ninety (90) days following its anticipated expiration on May 27, 2018, or until August 25, 2018.

(2) **GEDA to Enforce Executive Order**. The Guam Economic Development Authority shall not issue, approve, or grant any renewals or extensions of any Qualifying Certificates during the moratorium period.

(3) **New Applications not Affected**. Nothing in this Executive Order shall be construed to affect the consideration of new first-time applications for a Qualifying Certificate that are duly submitted pursuant to applicable Guam law and regulations.

(4) This Executive Order is effective immediately.

SIGNED AND PROMULGATED at Hagåtña, Guam, this 11th day of May, 2018.

EDDIE BAZA CALVO
I Maga'Låhen Guåhan
Governor of Guam