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Honorable Tina Muna Barnes
Speaker, 35th Guam Legislature
Committee on Public Accountability, Human Resources, and the Guam Buildup
Guam Congress Building
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Honorable Therese M. Terlaje
Senator, 35th Guam Legislature
Committee on Health, Tourism, Historic Preservation, Land and Justice
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Re: Extension Request for Hospital Fees and Rates per P.L. 35-36 (Revised)

Dear Speaker Muna-Barnes and Senator Terlaje:

Pursuant to P.L. 35-36, Chapter XII, Section 33, the Guam Memorial Hospital Authority is authorized to formulate a fee and rate schedule of applicable hospital fees and rates that is to be submitted to the Guam Legislature within 60 days upon the effective date of the FY 2020 Budget Act. The hospital has assigned staff and has been diligently working to provide a fee and rate schedule. While the hospital has annually effectuated a 5% across-the-board increase in facility charges since 2015, annually updated the professional fees, as well as periodically introduced new fees and rates through the Administrative Adjudication Law, we recognize that this project is more extensive and very involving hence, we realize this undertaking requires significantly more than the 60 days allotted in the law. In light of the hospital currently undergoing a no-cost assessment of its revenue cycle management (RCM) that is scheduled to be completed shortly and, in consideration of approximately 18,000 charge items in our existing fee schedule, we humbly request an extension to submit the updated hospital fees and rates by February 28, 2020.

Thank you for your understanding and consideration.

Sincerely,

Lillian Perez-Posadas, MN, RN
Hospital Administrator/CEO

Cc: Senators, 35th Guam Legislature
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