

GUAM ETHICS COMMISSION

Kumisión i Ginihan Areklamenton Guåhan

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RESOLUTION No. 2022- 002

RELATIVE TO RESCINDING THE APPROVAL OF PROPOSED RULES AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE GUAM ETHICS COMMISSION RELATING TO STANDARDS OF CONDUCT UNDER 4 GCA CHAPTER 15 TRANSMITTED ON JULY 29, 2022.

WHEREAS, the Guam Ethics Commission ("Commission"), established under Chapter 15 of Title 4, Guam Code Annotated, is an independent and autonomous commission within the government of Guam, whose purpose is to hold officers and employees accountable to the Ethical standards established in Guam law; and

WHEREAS, the Commission shall prescribe a process for receiving complaints, investigating facts, conducting hearings, and rendering opinions on whether any violation of the standard of conduct for officials and employees have been violated and shall develop the standards for the Ethics in Government Program and ensure all officials of the government of Guam are in compliance with the statutory requirement of ethics training; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to 4 GCA § 15401(a), the Commission shall have the power and duty to make, amend, and repeal rules and regulations, in conformance with the Administrative Adjudication Law, for the efficient administration of the standard of conduct for elected officers, appointed officers, and public employees of the government of Guam and every matter required to be done under the direction or supervision of the Commission; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to 4 GCA § 15410(c), the Commission shall develop rules and regulations for the enforcement of the Ethics in Government Program Guidelines; and

WHEREAS, on July 29, 2022, the Guam Ethics Commission approved and transmitted its draft rules to the Office of the Governor and the Office of the Attorney General, but now wishes to rescind and resubmit amended rules in accordance with the Administrative Adjudication Law (5 GCA § 9301); now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Guam Ethics Commission, through a vote of four (4) or more members present at a publicly announced and open meeting, does hereby *approve* the rescinding of proposed rules and regulations governing the administration of the Guam Ethics Commission relating to standards of conduct under 4 GCA Chapter 15 which were transmitted to the Office of the Governor and Office of the Attorney General on July 29, 2022; and be it further



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RESOLVED, that the Chairperson of the Guam Ethics Commission certify and the Ex-Officio Secretary (Executive Director) attest to the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to the Honorable Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero, *I Maga'hågan Guåhan* and to the Honorable Leevin T. Camacho, Attorney General of Guam.

DULY PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE GUAM ETHICS COMMISSION THIS $\frac{31st}{}$ DAY OF AUGUST 2022.

SHANNON J. MURPHY Chairwoman JESSE J. QUÉNGA

Ex-Officio Secretary and Executive Director