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Via Hand Delivery
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HONORABLE THERESE M. TERLAJE, Speaker
I Mina'trentai Sais Na Liheslaturan Guåhan
36th Guam Legislature
Guam Congress Building
163 Chalan Santo Papa
Hagåtña, Guam 96910

RE: EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2022-11

Hafa Adai Madame Speaker:

Pursuant to Public Law 34-16, transmitted herewith is the following Executive Order:

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2022-11: RELATIVE TO ESTABLISHING
THE OFFICE OF INFRASTRUCTURE POLICY WITHIN THE
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

Thank you.

Senseremente,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Leslie A. Travis".

LESLIE A. TRAVIS
Legal Counsel

Enclosure: Executive Order No. 2022-11

cc via email: *Maga'hågan Guåhan*
Sigundo Maga'låhen Guåhan
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**ISLAND OF GUAM
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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2022-11

**RELATIVE TO ESTABLISHING THE OFFICE OF INFRASTRUCTURE
POLICY WITHIN THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR**

WHEREAS, President Joe Biden’s Building a Better America Program has made funding available to the government of Guam, in both competitive and formula grants, for needed infrastructure to upgrade public services, support the island’s economic recovery, improve our environment, build resiliency to combat climate change, and improve the quality of life for the people of Guam; and

WHEREAS, the Biden Administration has made it a priority to implement this infrastructure funding nationwide as quickly as possible for the benefit of citizens affected by the economic effects of the COVID-19 pandemic, and to address aging and insufficient infrastructure. To this end, the Biden Administration has urged the states and territories to each appoint a dedicated infrastructure implementation coordinator; and

WHEREAS, this federal funding represents a once in a generation opportunity to infuse concentrated resources into infrastructure that will benefit our community and set us on a path forward for a Guam that is prosperous, safe, compassionate and fair; and

WHEREAS, properly leveraging this opportunity will require a sustained and integrated approach, focused on ensuring that today’s investments in infrastructure will have lasting benefits for Guam’s future, while guaranteeing robust oversight and accountability; and

WHEREAS, accordingly, to ensure these goals are achieved with the appropriate exigency and coordination, it is appropriate to establish an Office of Infrastructure Policy within the Office of the Governor utilizing available federal funding; and

WHEREAS, creation of an Office of Infrastructure Policy will ensure maximum benefit to the community from this infusion of infrastructure investment. This dedicated office will ensure delivery of efficient, effective and rapid implementation of infrastructure projects to produce results for the people of Guam, and accelerate Guam’s economic recovery and grow more private sector jobs through facilitation of prompt receipt and expenditure of infrastructure funds.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, LOURDES A. LEON GUERRERO, *I Maga’hågan Guåhan*, Governor of Guam, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Organic Act of Guam, as amended, and the laws of Guam, do order as follows:

A. OFFICE OF INFRASTRUCTURE POLICY. There is hereby established the **Office of Infrastructure Policy** within the Office of the Governor, which shall perform the following functions:

1. Develop integrated policy recommendations for government of Guam investments in infrastructure.



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2. Provide support to requesting agencies and policy recommendations to the Office of the Governor regarding utilization of federal funds for infrastructure, including but not limited to funds received under the American Rescue Plan and the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act.
3. Receive federal funds for digital community development initiatives, to improve broadband infrastructure and expand digital access for the underserved and economically disadvantaged segments of our community.
4. Monitor and periodically report on the progress of federally funded infrastructure projects, and coordinate with agencies to develop best practices and recommendations that will systemically improve the Government of Guam's management of infrastructure funds.
5. Make recommendations to agencies to ensure effective and appropriate procurement strategies that provide for the timely execution and implementation of infrastructure projects.
6. Obtain, receive, and administer grants and government funds to support its mission and operations.
7. Employ personnel as necessary to carry out its functions. At the direction of the Governor, employees may also be detailed or assigned from other agencies to assist with its mission and operations.
8. Acquire professional services as necessary to carry out its functions.

B. SEVERABILITY. If any provision of this Executive Order or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of this Order that can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end, the provisions of this order are severable.

SIGNED AND PROMULGATED at Hagåtña, Guam this **11th** day of **April, 2022**.

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

Attested by:

JOSHUA F. TENORIO
Sigundo Maga'låhen Guåhan
Lieutenant Governor of Guam

