



IN THE SUPREME COURT OF GUAM

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4 **RE:**) Supreme Court of Guam
5 **RELATIVE TO EXTENDING THE**) Administrative Order No. ADM20-220
6 **CLOSURE OF NON-ESSENTIAL**)
7 **COURT OPERATIONS AND**)
8 **TOLLING TIME LIMITATIONS**)
9 **UNDER EXIGENT**)
10 **CIRCUMSTANCES RELATED TO**)
11 **COVID-19 (CORONAVIRUS)**)

12 Because of the continued public health concerns arising from the COVID-19 (coronavirus)
13 pandemic, *I Maga'hågan Guåhan* has issued a series of executive orders to stem the spread of the
14 virus, including: Executive Order No. 2020-03, declaring a State of Emergency; Executive Order
15 No. 2020-04, closing non-essential government operations through March 30, 2020; Executive
16 Order No. 2020-05, prohibiting public gatherings and mandating social isolation; Executive Order
17 No. 2020-06, extending the closure of non-essential government operations through April 13,
18 2020; and Executive Order No. 2020-10 extending the public health emergency, the limited
19 operations of the Government of Guam, and the provisions outlined in Executive Order 2020-03
20 to the present until May 5, 2020. In turn, the court, in accordance with its jurisdiction to issue
21 orders in aid of its supervisory jurisdiction over the Superior Court of Guam and all other courts
22 of the judicial branch of Guam, has issued several administrative orders to protect the public health,
23 including: ADM20-210, closing the court for all but essential services, postponing non-essential
24 court matters including civil and criminal trials, and deferring payment of filing fees, until March
25 30, 2020; ADM20-211, suspending all grand jury proceedings until March 30, 2020; and ADM20-
26 214, extending court closure for all but essential services until April 15, 2020.

27 The court recognizes that the continued rise of confirmed COVID-19 cases in Guam is of
28 utmost concern and that it must do its part to support the efforts of *I Maga'hågan Guåhan* to

