



**BEFORE THE 2017 JUDICIAL COUNCIL OF GUAM**

**RESOLUTION NO. 17-022**

**RELATIVE TO DECLARATION OF CONSTITUTION DAY AND CONSTITUTION WEEK 2017**

**WHEREAS**, each year on September 17, Constitution Day is celebrated nationally to commemorate the signing of the United States Constitution in 1787; and

**WHEREAS**, the ideas on which America was founded—commitments to the rule of law, limited government and the ideals of liberty, equality and justice—are embodied in the Constitution, the oldest written constitution of any nation on Earth, and that, therefore, Constitution Day is intended to celebrate not only the birthday of our government, but the ideas that make us Americans; and

**WHEREAS**, the Judiciary of Guam wishes to share in the celebration of this history, and intends to recognize Constitution Day on September 17, 2017, and to celebrate Constitution Week from September 17 to 23, 2017; and

**WHEREAS**, Constitution Week 2017 provides us with a unique opportunity to promote public understanding and appreciation of the importance of the United States Constitution by engaging in community activities such as outreach educational programs at Guam's schools by our Judicial officers, attorneys and law clerks;

**WHEREAS**, this year's celebration will include the showcasing of the American Bar Association's Traveling Exhibit "Magna Carta: Enduring Legacy: 1215-2015" in the Atrium of the Guam Judicial Center that allows the 160,000 people of Guam a chance to experience the exhibit and learn more about the impact on events and political thought influenced by the 802 year old document.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the Judicial Council does hereby proclaim Sunday, September 17, 2017, as Constitution Day and September 17 to 23, 2017 as Constitution Week. The Judicial Council on behalf of the Judiciary of Guam urges the citizens, schools, businesses, legal professionals, and media of Guam to use this occasion to reflect on and celebrate the Constitution of the United States.

**DULY ADOPTED** this 24<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2017 at a duly noticed meeting of the Judicial Council of Guam.

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