

BEFORE THE 2018 JUDICIAL COUNCIL OF GUAM

RESOLUTION NO. 18-007

RELATIVE TO DECLARATION OF LAW DAY AND LAW WEEK

- WHEREAS, the American Bar Association ("ABA") celebrates the first day in May of every year as Law Day, encouraging all Americans to reflect upon the Rule of Law and the good fortune of living in a nation of laws; and
- WHEREAS, this year the American Bar Association has set the Law Day theme to be "Separation of Powers: Framework for Freedom." The U.S. Constitution and Organic Act of Guam set out a system of government with distinct and independent branches—the legislative, executive and judicial powers and outlines how they interact. This law day theme will honor the wisdom of the Separation of Powers and explore the many ways that this design has safeguarded our liberties and helped ensure that we remain a government of laws; and
- **WHEREAS**, the Judiciary of Guam has historically followed the ABA tradition, and intends to recognize Law Day on May 1, 2018, and to celebrate Law Week from April 27 to May 19, 2018; and
- WHEREAS, Law Week 2018 provides a unique opportunity to help promote public understanding of the rule of law by concentrating events important to the legal community, such as the State of the Judiciary Address, media publications of community views of legal principles, essay and art contests, fairy tale mock trial plays featuring the island's youth, local and federal open house and court tours, a special Naturalization Ceremony, outreach to the island's schools and Senior Centers, a Law Street Fair featuring services provided by the legal and law enforcement communities, and the annual "Race Judicata" 5K, a collaborative and unified effort to raise funds for several charitable organizations;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Judicial Council, in uniformity with the American Bar Association, does hereby proclaim Monday, May 1, 2018, as Law Day and April 27 through May 19, 2018 as Law Week. The Judicial Council invites the people of Guam to these events to celebrate and reflect on the "Separation of Powers: Framework for Freedom".

DULY ADOPTED this 27th day of April 2018.

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