

BEFORE THE 2024 JUDICIAL COUNCIL OF GUAM RESOLUTION NO. JC24-014

RELATIVE TO THE DECLARATION OF CONSTITUTION DAY AND CONSTITUTION WEEK

WHEREAS, September 17, 2024, marks the 237th anniversary of the drafting of the Constitution of the United States of America by the Constitutional Convention in 1787; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Constitution established six basic governing principles for our society, including popular sovereignty, rule of law, federalism, judicial review, individual rights, and separation of powers with a system of checks and balances; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting and proper to officially recognize this magnificent document and the anniversary of its creation; and

WHEREAS, in the more than two centuries since its ratification, it has served as an unparalleled engine for human progress; and

WHEREAS, the Judiciary of Guam wishes to share in the celebration of this history, and intends to recognize Constitution Day on September 17, 2024, and to celebrate Constitution Week from September 17 to 23, 2024; and

WHEREAS, Constitution Week 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.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Judicial Council does hereby proclaim Tuesday, September 17, 2023, as Constitution Day and September 17 to 23, 2024 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 15th day of August 2024 at a duly noticed meeting of the Judicial Council of Guam.

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