



ISLAND OF GUAM
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
HAGÁTÑA, GUAM 96932
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PROCLAMATION NO. 2011-016

Proclaiming the month of March 2011 as

“Professional Social Workers Month”

WHEREAS, social workers are socially conscious people who dedicate their lives and careers to helping transform the most vulnerable and needy individuals to lead fulfilling and productive lives. They strengthen communities by expanding options for the defenseless. Professional social workers work to create humane changes in policies and legislation that improve not only the lives of their clients; but, everyone on our island.

Professional social workers care for those left behind or for those who have lost their voice. This profession was established more than 100 years ago to help Americans overcome poverty, illness, addiction, abuse, discrimination and other adversities to reach their full potential. Guam benefits from the countless hours of commitment by professional social workers. They work tirelessly in agencies, hospitals, hospices, schools, universities, legislatures, private practices, corporations, and the military.

The National Association of Social Workers, Guam Chapter will be holding its annual training conference during **Professional Social Workers Month**. This year’s conference, “Advancing Human Rights and Social Justice in Micronesia,” will give our social workers additional tools to use in their efforts to create a community of fairness and equality. An awards banquet will be held on March 25, 2011 to celebrate **Professional Social Workers Month** and recognize the efforts of our local social workers.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RAY TENORIO, *I Maga’ Låhen Guåhan Para På’go*, Acting Governor of Guam, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Organic Act of Guam, as amended, do hereby proclaim the month of March 2011 as **Professional Social Workers Month**. I strongly urge the people of Guam to show appreciation to our hardworking professional social workers and support efforts to help our families of Guam lead fulfilling and productive lives.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereby set my hand and cause the Great Seal of Guam to be affixed in the Capital City of *Hagåtña* on this twenty-eighth day of February, in the year of our Lord, *Anno Domini*, Two Thousand Eleven.



RAY TENORIO

I Maga’ Låhen Guåhan Para På’go
Acting Governor of Guam

COUNTERSIGNED:



BENJAMIN J. E. CRUZ

I Segundo Na Maga’ Låhen Guåhan Para På’go
Acting Lieutenant Governor of Guam

