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**GOVERNOR'S CIRCULAR NO. 2020-09** *gm*

**DATE:** March 18, 2020

**TO:** All Department and Agency Heads

**FROM:** Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero, Governor of Guam *lg*

**SUBJECT: FURTHER GUIDANCE ON EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-04**

On March 14, 2020, I signed Executive Order No. 2020-03 in which I declared a state of emergency to respond to the COVID-19 pandemic and articulated the illegality of price gouging. As part of these efforts, I instructed, in Executive Order No. 2020-04, that, as a community, we practice social distancing methods to limit person-to-person interaction.

While important functions of our government are executed by public agencies in meetings that are open to the public, such publicly-attended meetings would jeopardize our efforts to slow any potential spread of COVID-19 throughout our island. For this reason and in pursuant to my authority under Executive Order No. 2020-03 invoking 10 G.C.A. §19403(a)(1), I have determined that it is appropriate to temporarily suspend the application of the provisions of the Open Government Law mandating public notice of meetings and allowance of attendance by members of the public at the same.

Specifically, I direct the following:

1. The application of 5 G.C.A. §§ 8103, 8107, 8108, 8109, 8110, 8114, and 8115 is suspended until April 30, 2020.
2. To ensure the public is well-informed in this time of emergency, public agencies shall document their meetings in minutes and continue compliance with 5 G.C.A. § 8113.1. Actions taken at meetings of public agencies without compliance with all provisions of the Open Government Law shall not be effective until compliance with 5 G.C.A. 8113.1.

3. Items subject to Public Law 35-74 and Executive Order No. 2020-03 as they relate to price gouging shall include, but not be limited to: thermometers, sanitizing wipes, baby wipes, paper towels, aloe, latex gloves, fever reducers, cough suppressants, zinc oxide supplements, face masks, rubbing alcohol, toilet paper, and facial tissue.

Nothing in this Directive is intended to allow meetings to be conducted without careful deliberation by public agencies.

*Si Yu'us Ma'ase.*