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## **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

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## **Reminder: Hostisia Award Nominations Due April 4<sup>th</sup>**

(Hagåtña, Guam) — Nominations are still open for the Judiciary of Guam's 2025 Hostisia Award. The annual award recognizes a person or organization that has made a significant contribution to improving the administration of justice and good government.

*“Every year, as part of its Law Month celebration, the Judiciary honors those who’ve gone above and beyond to advance the cause of justice,”* said Chief Justice Robert J. Torres. *“These individuals demonstrate a deep and abiding commitment to the rule and role of law, and our island is a better place because of their service.”*

The selection committee will consider nominees under the following criteria:

- fostered building public support for the judiciary,
- promoted respect for the law and understanding of the judicial system,
- encouraged civic responsibility and service, and
- volunteered time and talents to the court in serving the people of Guam.

Past Hostisia Award recipients include the Honorable Joaquin Cruz Perez (posthumous) (2024); Guam Behavioral Health & Wellness Center (2023); Retired Judge Elizabeth Barret-Anderson (2022); Retired Magistrate Joaquin V.E. Manibusan, Jr. (2021); Retired Chief Justice Peter C. Siguenza (posthumous) (2020); Guam Chamber of Commerce (2019); Erica's House, Soroptimist International of Guam and Soroptimist International of the Marianas (2018); Inafa'Maolek (2017); Public Defender Service Corporation (2016); former Senator Pilar Cruz Lujan (2015); Attorney Joaquin C. Arriola, Sr. (2014); Vice Speaker Benjamin J.F. Cruz (2013); Judge Richard H. Benson (2012); retired District Court of Guam Judge Cristobal C. Duenas (posthumous) (2011); retired Supreme Court of Guam Justice Janet Healy Weeks (2010), Alee Shelter Program Director Sister Bridget Perez, RSM (2009); and the Armed Forces of the United States (2008).

Nominations should include a statement about the nominee (limit 250 words). Please submit nominations by **Friday, April 4, 2025**, to Ms. Sarah Elmore-Hernandez, Director of Policy Planning & Community Relations via email at [sehernandez@guamcourts.gov](mailto:sehernandez@guamcourts.gov).

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