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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF GUAM

RE:)	Supreme Court of Guam
RELATIVE TO SUSPENSION OF)	Administrative Order No. ADM20-211
GRAND JURY PROCEEDINGS)	
AND TOLLING OF TIME)	
LIMITATIONS FOR)	
PRELIMINARY HEARINGS AND)	
FILING OF INDICTMENTS)	
UNDER EXIGENT)	
CIRCUMSTANCES RELATED TO)	
COVID-19 (CORONAVIRUS))	
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Because of public health concerns arising from the COVID-19 (coronavirus) pandemic, *I Maga'hågan Guåhan* has issued a series of executive orders to stem the spread of the virus: Executive Order No. 2020-03, declaring a State of Emergency; Executive Order No. 2020-04, closing non-essential government operations through March 30, 2020; and Executive Order No. 2020-05, prohibiting public gatherings and mandating social isolation. In turn, the court, in accordance with its jurisdiction to issue orders in aid of its supervisory jurisdiction over the Superior Court of Guam and all other courts of the judicial branch of Guam, has issued several administrative orders to protect the public health by reducing the risk of exposure to COVID-19 and slowing the spread of the disease, including closing the court for all but essential services and suspending all civil and criminal jury trials until March 30, 2020. Recognizing that the number of individuals in Guam who test positive for COVID-19 continues to rise each day, that 8 GCA § 50.10 provides that a grand jury shall consist of no less than sixteen members, that a number of grand jurors have expressed reluctance in continuing to report for service given the continued spread of the disease and the order of *I Maga'håga* for social isolation, and that it is

