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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF GUAM

RE:)	Supreme Court of Guam
	RELATIVE TO COURT)	Administrative Order No. ADM23-003
	CLOSURE DUE TO)	
	TROPICAL STORM MAWAR)	
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WHEREAS, on May 21, 2023, *I Maga'hågan Guåhan* issued a statement expressing her intention to place Guam in Condition of Readiness (COR) 2 at 8:00 p.m. this evening in anticipation of Tropical Storm Mawar. At COR 2, executive branch departments and agencies of the Government of Guam, with the exception of essential services, will not be operational and will remain closed until COR 4 is announced; and

WHEREAS, officials from the National Weather Service, Weather Forecast Office, Tiyan, Guam report that Tropical Storm Mawar is expected to intensify into a typhoon by time of arrival to the region, and warn that any one of or several Mariana Islands may take a near miss or a direct hit; and

WHEREAS due to Tropical Storm Mawar and its potential intensification, it is prudent to close the Judicial Branch for public services, with the exception of essential services, upon the declaration of COR 2 by *I Maga'hågan Guåhan*, which will likely be at 8:00 p.m. this evening, and to remain closed until the declaration of COR 4 by *I Maga'hågan Guåhan*:

NOW, THEREFORE, by the authority vested in me by the Organic Act of Guam, as amended, I do **ORDER** that, because *I Maga'hågan Guåhan* anticipates declaring Guam in COR

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2 and closing public services at 8:00 p.m. on Sunday, May 21, 2023, the Judicial Branch of the Government of Guam shall be closed for business upon the declaration of COR 2 by *I Maga'hågan Guåhan* until further notice.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that all hearings, jury trials, jury selections, and grand jury proceedings scheduled for Monday, May 22, 2023, and any day after this date until the declaration of COR 4 by *I Maga'hågan Guåhan*, be rescheduled. Magistrate hearings will be held at the earliest practicable opportunity following the declaration of COR 4. Check-ins, drug testing, and appointments with the Probation Services Division shall be rescheduled. Individuals under pretrial or probation supervision, including juveniles, should await further instructions from their probation officers and continue to comply with all other requirements. If a court filing is due while the court is closed, then the time for filing is extended until the end of the first accessible day that is not a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday. *See* Guam R. Civ. P. 6(a); Guam R. App. P. 11(a)(3); 8 GCA § 1.25.

SO ORDERED this 21st day of May, 2023.

/s/
ROBERT J. TORRES
Chief Justice