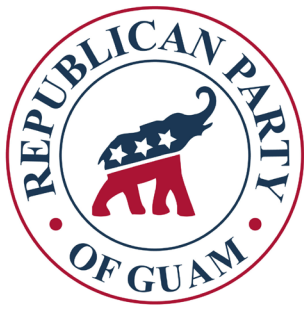




REPUBLICAN PARTY OF GUAM USHERS IN A NEW ERA OF LEADERSHIP

Delegates to represent Guam at the Republican National Convention in Wisconsin this Summer include Congressman James Moylan and Minority Leader Frank Blas Jr.

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The Republican Party of Guam (RPOG) proudly announces the election of our newly elected Executive Committee, Republican National Convention Delegates, and Presidential Candidate, marking a pivotal moment in our Party's future. This event signals our firm commitment to conservative principles and the advancement of our Island's interests on a national stage.

Leading the charge as our newly elected Chairman is Shawn Gumataotao, who is recognized for his unwavering dedication to conservative values and community service. Joining him are newly elected leaders: Thelma Hechanova as First Vice Chair, Marvin Crisostomo as Second Vice Chair, Tammy Bamba as Secretary, and Evelyn Casil as Treasurer.

In addition, Juan Carlos Benitez and former Senator, Dr. Shirley "Sam" Mabini Young, have been elected as our Guam's National Committeeman and National Committeewoman, respectively, bringing a wealth of experience to their roles and a passion for advancing our Party's goals.

Acknowledging the substantial contributions made by former First Vice Chairperson La'Kiesha Pereda and Secretary Sharon Cassidy to the RPOG, it is with deep respect that we note their decision to decline nominations for reelection during the proceedings. Their dedicated service embodied the essence of commitment and integrity to their roles. Additionally, we also extend our heartfelt appreciation to Mary Michelle "Shelly" Gibson, for her term as National Committeewoman. Her contributions have been instrumental to our organization's national reach.

The Republican Party of Guam also pledged its support for former President Donald J. Trump, with 100% of our ballots cast, reflecting Guam's enduring endorsement of his leadership and Republican values. Notably, although Nikki Haley withdrew from the presidential race, she remained included in The Guam Straw Poll.

Delegates were elected for the Republican National Convention to be held in July in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, ensuring Guam's voice resonates on a national platform. Leading the delegation at the 2024 RNC Convention will be Guam Delegate to the US House of Representatives James Moylan and Minority Leader of the Guam Legislature Frank Blas Jr. Our delegates embody the diversity and strength of our party, ready to advocate our shared values and priorities.

"As we embark on this new chapter, we are immensely proud of the talent and dedication within our party ranks," stated RPOG Chairman Shawn Gumataotao. "Together, we will build on our successes, champion conservative ideals, and tirelessly serve the people of Guam."

The Republican Party of Guam extends its gratitude to all its members who participated in today's convention. We will continue to reiterate our commitment to advancing the principles that define our island's greatness.

"Every eligible voter, whether on Guam or across our nation, must exercise their right to vote. It is fundamental to our democracy, ensuring the election of leaders who uphold common-sense values to lead our island and our country," said Gumataotao.

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