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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF GUAM

IN RE:) Supreme Court Case No. CRQ23-001
)
REQUEST OF LOURDES A. LEON)
GUERRERO, I MAGA'HÅGAN)
GUÅHAN, RELATIVE TO THE)
VALIDITY AND ENFORCEABILITY) **ORDER**
OF PUBLIC LAW NO. 20-134.)

This matter comes before the court upon the Motion for Extension of Time to File Respondent's Brief, Amended Motion for Extension of Time to File Respondent's Brief, and accompanying declarations filed by Respondent Attorney General of Guam on April 3 and 4, 2023. The Attorney General seeks a 30-day extension of time to file his brief, which is currently due April 7, 2023.¹ Am. Mot. at 1-2 (Apr. 4, 2023). The Attorney General states the additional time is needed to adequately address the briefs filed on March 31 by Respondent *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and *amici curiae*, and because the Office of the Attorney General is short-staffed, Decl. at 3 (Apr. 4, 2023), and this matter was just assigned to an attorney on April 3, Am. Decl. at 2 (Apr. 4, 2023). Petitioner *I Maga'hågan Guåhan* ("Governor") objects to the motion for extension, arguing that the Attorney General's reasons for the request do not constitute good cause. Obj. at 5-8 (Apr. 5, 2023).

The court has considered the matter and **GRANTS** the Attorney General's original motion but **DENIES** the Attorney General's amended motion. Briefing shall now proceed as follows:

The Attorney General's brief must be served and filed by **April 21, 2023**.

¹ In his original motion, the Attorney General sought a 14-day extension of time. Mot. at 1-2 (Apr. 3, 2023).

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1 Any party supporting the Attorney General shall serve and file their brief by **April 28,**
2 **2023.**

3 The Governor may serve and file a reply brief by **May 3, 2023.**

4 The status conference scheduled for April 10, 2023, is rescheduled to **April 12, 2023, at**
5 **10:00 a.m.** in the Justice Monessa G. Lujan Appellate Courtroom. The oral argument scheduled
6 for April 25, 2023, is rescheduled to **May 10, 2023, at 10:00 a.m.** in the Justice Monessa G. Lujan
7 Appellate Courtroom.

8 Absent extraordinary circumstances, no further extensions will be granted.

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10 **SO ORDERED** this 6th day of April, 2023.

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ROBERT J. TORRES
14 **Chief Justice**
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