RELATIVE TO APPROVING THE FY2015-2016 GENERAL OPERATIONS BUDGETS

WHEREAS, the University of Guam (UOG) is the primary U.S. Land Grant institution serving the post-secondary needs of the people of Guam and the region, and is accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC); and

WHEREAS, the governance of UOG is vested in the Board of Regents (BOR) which is responsible for approving, adopting and submitting an annual budget to / Lihe'slaturan Guahan; and

WHEREAS, UOG received recommendations on areas of resource needs from the University Planning and Budget Advisory Committee (UPBAC) with representation from the Faculty Senate, Academic Officers Council, Administrative Council, Faculty Union, Staff Council, and Student Government Association; and

WHEREAS, UOG has demonstrated commitment to a stable, balanced budget in an atmosphere of declining resources related to the problems facing the economies of the island and the region; and

WHEREAS, UOG has agreed upon the goals articulated in its strategic plan and focused its revenues and spending upon the highest priorities within its mission; and

WHEREAS, UOG has implemented initiatives that enhance, realign and reshape the institution, strengthening its commitment to student learning, academic quality, institutional efficiency and effectiveness, revenue growth, and cost savings; and

WHEREAS, UOG has developed consolidated budgets for FY2015-2016 focused on academic program quality, operational needs, critical vacancies, strategic growth and initiatives, and priorities associated with institutional compliance and safety issues, revenue generation, continuous improvement, and program and business support; and

WHEREAS, UOG presents its FY2015-2016 budget requests identifying funding required for a base that is sufficiently balanced within funding levels to sustain academic quality and student learning including infrastructure support and continuing special appropriations (WERI, Hatchery, Soil Conservation); and

WHEREAS, for FY2015 the University requests an appropriation of $30.3M for general operations and an additional appropriation for pay adjustments covering the General Pay Plan and a 2% increase for academic personnel; and

WHEREAS, the President recommends and the BFIA and the Physical Facilities Committees have reviewed and now together recommend to the BOR the FY2015 General Operations Budget for approval and a preliminary FY2016 budget for planning purposes.
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the University of Guam FY2015 General Operations Budget (as attached) is hereby approved to be submitted to I Mina'Trentai Dos Na Liheslaturan Guåhan pursuant to law.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that in an effort to provide a basis for continuity of planning consistent with best practices, a preliminary FY2016 budget is further submitted to I Mina'Trentai Dos Na Liheslaturan Guåhan.

Adopted this 20th day of February, 2014.

Dr. W. Chris Perez, M.D., Chairperson

ATTESTED:

Dr. Robert Underwood, Executive Secretary