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MEMORANDUM

To: The Honorable Jesse Alig, Mayor of Piti
President, Mayors' Council of Guam
And Acting Executive Director

From: Robert RDC Hofmann
Mayor

Subject: Passing of Vice Mayor Rudy D. Iriarte

It is with profound sorrow that I announce the passing of Sinajana Vice Mayor Rudy Don Iriarte at the age of 49. Vice Mayor Rudy joined our beloved Creator today- January 3, 2024, after a long battle with Diabetes. He served this community well for the past 11 years as the Vice Mayor and 8 years as the Municipal Clerk. His legacy and selfless public service to our community will continue to serve as our inspiration.

Born and raised in Sinajana, Vice Mayor Rudy Iriarte was no stranger to helping the community. He is the son of +Matilde Sablan Iriarte and +Danny DeLeon Jose and has three brothers: +Francisco Iriarte, +Raymond Iriarte and Roland Iriarte and four sisters: Catalina & David Franzen, Barbara & Scott Groah, Dinah & Kevin McMahan, and +Elizabeth Iriarte. His paternal grandparents are the late +Romana DeLeon & +Candido Jose. His maternal grandparents are the late +Ana Aquingoc Sablan (*familian Berete*) and +Ignacio Duenas Iriarte (*familian Dimas*).

In 2005, under the Blas-Hofmann Mayoral Administration, Rudy worked as the Municipal Clerk for the Sinajana Mayor's Office. His direct work with the community impassioned his desire to serve in a larger capacity, therefore, he sought the office of Vice Mayor, and was successfully elected to three consecutive terms in the 2012, 2016, in the 2020 elections.

As Vice Mayor, he created and sustained programs to include the popular Summer and Christmas Camps, the Senior Citizens special events, our community education and training programs. Together with Mayor Robert Hofmann, he worked toward making Sinajana a healthier, safer, and comfortable place to live and thrive in. Together, they were able to successfully renovate, and repair common facilities used by residents and the island-at-large. They have reorganized and restructured the budget and streamlined office and community operations. Together they built the first open air gymnasium, renovated the baseball field, the community center and erected a new playground, and most recently the Central Community Arts Hall. Together they worked on major projects including the construction of the Village Marketplace and the Central Fire Station. He was a key advisor to the Mayor on policies and programs regarding youth, community programs, intervention, health and *manåmko'* which has brought many great successes for the community. He will be greatly missed.