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To: Guam Non-Profit Organizations

RE: COVID-19 Impact NPO Survey

Hafa Adåi, Colleagues,

I hope that this letter finds you, your family, and your employees, healthy and safe during this tragic state of the world.

As you recall, Payu-Ta recently invited NPOs to participate in a survey in order to prepare for a Round-Table discussions with the Federal Reserve, FDIC, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, NeighborWorks America, and Local Initiatives Support Corporation, along with local financial institutions, GovGuam agencies, nonprofits, and small business associations. The purpose of the discussion was to catalyze coordination across the public, private, and nonprofit sectors in addressing the economic impacts of COVID-19 in Guam with support from these national entities. Attached you will find a copy of the agenda and the supporting presentations, to include Payu-Ta's presentation, which includes the survey results. Although GEDA has yet to provide a written summary of the meeting, the attached presentations contain insightful information as part of the recovery considerations and opportunities.

We plan to convene and hope you will participate in a zoom conference call of NPOs on 26 May 2020, at 0900 hours, so that we can collectively discuss how we can collaborate, with the aim to make more efficient use of our scarce resources in helping each other, as well as the community as a whole. Of special mention, GEDA recently opened applications for the COVID-19 Relief effort in the amount of $20M; unfortunately, non-profit organizations are ineligible for these federal funds. We would like to hear your thoughts on this matter along with other issues or concerns, so that we, in turn, can relay the information to Guam’s leadership. In addition, we would appreciate if you can provide a short paragraph of how your organization has helped in the recovery efforts to include photos, so that we can duly inform the people of Guam of the public good you are doing. Please look out for the zoom webcast invite in the next coming days.

Thank you for your time and the Payu-Ta Board of Directors looks forward to meeting with you on 26 May.

Sincerely,

Sam Ilesugam
Chairperson