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Twenty-ninth COVID-19 Related Fatality; GBHWC Crisis Hotline Available 24/7

The Joint Information Center was notified that Guam's twenty-ninth COVID-19-related fatality occurred at the Guam Regional Medical City (GRMC) today at approximately 1:31 a.m. (ChST). The patient was a 65-year-old female and had underlying health conditions. She was pronounced dead on arrival at the GRMC. She was swabbed upon arrival and her results came back positive.

"As one community, we grieve the passing of another person from COVID-19. To her family and loved ones, Jeff, Lt. Governor Josh, and I are with you in our thoughts and prayers. Our heartfelt condolences and sympathies go out to you during this awful and incredibly difficult time," said Governor Lou Leon Guerrero. "This virus is affecting us much worse now than it did in the beginning of this pandemic. People are getting sicker, more patients require hospitalization, and we are losing more people each day. We are forced to confront just how serious our situation has become, and we cannot become complacent. We must continue to do what we know works: stay home, social distance, and wear your masks."

GBHWC Crisis Hotline Available 24/7

The Guam Behavioral Health and Wellness Center (GBHWC) has a Crisis Hotline that is available 24/7 at **(671) 647-8833/4**. For those feeling anxious, stressed, overwhelmed or are needing to talk to someone, GBHWC has experienced providers available and ready to assist the community with any heightened stress and anxiety experienced as a result of COVID-19.

For the latest information on COVID-19, visit <u>dphss.guam.gov</u> or <u>guamrecovery.com</u>. For inquiries on COVID-19, contact 311 through a local number, or call the Joint Information Center at (671) 478-0208/09/10.

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