



**GUAM WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD
RESOLUTION NO. 2017-003**

**A RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE AND ESTABLISH THE GUAM STATE
APPRENTICESHIP COUNCIL (SAC) RELATIVE TO APPROVAL BY THE GWDB**

WHEREAS, the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) was signed into law on July 22, 2014, reauthorizing the Workforce Investment Act (WIA) of 1998; and

WHEREAS, Guam was granted recognition by the U.S. Department of Labor, Department of Employment and Training Office of Apprenticeship as the Guam State Apprenticeship Agency (SAA) and Registration Agency on December 5, 2011; and

WHEREAS, P.L. 32-230, was passed into law on December 31, 2014 and pursuant to this legislation, the Guam Department of Labor (GDOL) was designated as Guam State Apprenticeship Agency (SAA) and Registration Agency; and

WHEREAS, with the GDOL Director's recommendation, the GWDB will establish the Guam SAC to consist of five (5) members with the Director serving as one (1) member; the other four (4) members shall be knowledgeable with apprenticeship program and occupations and shall serve a term of three (3) years; provided, *however*, that two shall serve a term of one (1) year and the other two shall serve a term of two (2) years; and three (3) members of the SAC shall constitute a valid quorum; and

WHEREAS, the Guam Department of Labor is the administering entity of the Guam Registered Apprenticeship Program (GRAP) as authorized by P.L. 32-142; and

WHEREAS, the Guam Department of Labor was **awarded an \$800,000 competitive grant in October, 2016, to increase expansion of Registered Apprenticeship** by 20% through establishment of pre-apprenticeship programs targeting youth and low-income individuals. The Apprenticeship USA Expansion project will also support the support expansion of enrolled apprentice sponsors and participant, while improving access to employers and individuals; and

WHEREAS, a key principle in the WIOA is to provide local areas with the authority to make policy and administrative decisions with the flexibility to tailor the workforce system to the needs of its community; and by providing resources to assist and prepare them to obtain meaningful careers and maximize their employment opportunities; and

WHEREAS, Guam's Combined State Plan for Program Year 2016-2019, requires that within the platform for delivery of services at the Guam American Job Center, all customers to the Guam American Job Center (AJC) shall be assessed to determine their employment barriers and supportive service needs; and

WHEREAS, in order to ensure maximum flexibility, the Guam Department of Labor will make available supportive services to customers of the Guam American Job Center (AJC) through arrangements with other human services agencies in order to prevent duplication of resources and services. Where community resources are not available to provide the supportive services as identified in a participant's CSP, the Guam Department of Labor may provide supportive services according to the Guam Workforce Development Board (GWDB) Supportive Services policy, which will be based on funding availability for the respective funding streams.

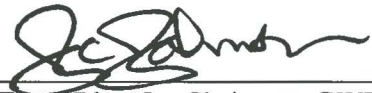
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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Guam Workforce Development Board (GWDB) adopts the establishment of the Guam State Apprenticeship Council (SAC) and the provisions of this resolution.


Adopted this 28th day of June, 2017.

ATTESTED:

For the GUAM WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD

FOR 

Frank Blas, Jr., Chairman, GWDB

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Peter R. Barcinas, Chairman
Planning & Coordinating Committee