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DISTRICT COURT OF GUAM NATURALIZATION CEREMONY Court Celebrates Veterans Day

On November 8, 2013, at 9:30 a.m., the District Court of Guam will proudly host a special Veterans Day Naturalization Ceremony in honor of all military veterans. On this day, the District Court of Guam will welcome 52 new citizens to the United States of America, as they take their oath of citizenship. This is a once-in-a-lifetime experience for the new citizens, who hail from the countries of Jamaica, Japan, People's Republic of China, Philippines, South Korea, St. Lucia, and Ukraine.

The keynote speaker during the ceremony will be Senator Frank B. Aguon, Jr. for the 32nd Guam Legislature. Senator Aguon is the Chairman for the Committee on Guam U.S. Military Relocation, Homeland Security, Veteran's Affairs, and the Judiciary. He is serving his seventh term as a senator and was Vice Speaker for the 27th Guam Legislature.

This year's celebration of Veterans Day at the District Court will also allow the newly naturalized citizens to fully exercise their rights as American citizens, as the court will also host a Citizenship Outreach Program for the new citizens immediately after the naturalization ceremony. Representatives from the Guam Passport Office and the Guam Election Commission will be present after the ceremony to assist these new citizens with any questions. The new citizens will be able to register to vote and apply for a United States passport provided they have appropriate supporting documentation for their applications.

"I am pleased and honored to have Senator Aguon give the keynote address for this special Veterans Day Naturalization Ceremony," remarked Chief Judge Tydingco-Gatewood for the District Court of Guam. "A United States veteran himself, Senator Aguon has been serving in the military for 15 years and is a Major in the Guam Air National Guard. He is also an active member of the National Guard Association of the United States and the U.S. Air Force Veterans of Guam Association. On this special day we will all join together in celebrating and honoring all Veterans who serve and fight to protect our proud country, that these new citizens can now call their own," Chief Judge Tydingco-Gatewood further remarked.