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DISTRICT COURT OF GUAM NATURALIZATION CEREMONY Court Celebrates Presidents Day

In commemoration of Presidents Day, the District Court of Guam will welcome 36 new citizens to the United States of America. These new citizens, who hail from Mexico, People's Republic of China, Philippines, and Taiwan, will take their oaths of citizenship in a special Presidents Day Ceremony to be held on Tuesday, February 18, 2014, at 9:30 a.m.

The keynote speaker will be the Honorable Alicia A.G. Limtiaco, U.S. Attorney for the districts of Guam and the Northern Mariana Islands. She was nominated by President Barack Obama in February 2010 and was confirmed by the United States Senate in April 2010. Ms. Limtiaco is the first woman to serve as United States Attorney for the Districts of Guam and the Northern Mariana Islands.

Presidents Day honors George Washington's birthday and all who have served as President of the United States. "It is a privilege to preside over this ceremony on Presidents Day. As we honor our country's presidents, such as George Washington -- whose accomplishments include the establishment of the United States federal judiciary -- we will also celebrate our newly naturalized citizens and the beginnings of their new lives as Americans. For many, it has been a long road, and on February 18, many of their dreams will become a reality," stated Chief Judge Frances Tydingco-Gatewood.

This year's celebration will also allow the 36 newly naturalized citizens to fully exercise their rights, as the court will host a Citizenship Outreach Program for these citizens. Immediately after the naturalization ceremony, these new citizens will be able to register to vote and apply for a U.S. passport, provided they have the appropriate supporting documentation for the application. Representatives from the Guam Election Commission and the Guam Passport Office will be present after the ceremony to assist these new citizens with any questions.