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DISTRICT COURT OF GUAM NATURALIZATION CEREMONY Court Celebrates Women's History Month

On Thursday, March 21, 2019, at 1:00 p.m., the District Court of Guam will proudly host a special Women's History Month Naturalization Ceremony. The court will welcome 39 new citizens who hail from the countries of American Samoa, China, the Philippines, and South Korea.

The keynote speaker for the ceremony will be the Honorable Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero, Governor of Guam, who is the first *Maga'håga* of Guam. Rooted in public service, Leon Guerrero began her career as a staff nurse in hospitals in California and Guam. She later became a senator in the Guam Legislature for five terms, where she focused on issues such as healthcare. After the passing of her brother, she took over his position as the CEO and President of Bank of Guam, becoming the first woman to hold such position. Her passion in serving the people of Guam, however, had brought her back to her current position, as the first woman Governor of Guam.

"I want to take this opportunity to recognize Governor Leon Guerrero as one of our women pioneers of Guam. Women's History Month is a celebration of the vital role of women in our democracy, and the strides and contributions that women have made in American history and for our people of Guam," remarked Chief Judge Frances Tydingco-Gatewood.