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Judiciary Installs Chief Justice Katherine A. Maraman for Second Term

(Hagåtña) The Honorable Katherine A. Maraman was installed for her second term as Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Guam during a ceremony held this morning at the Guam Judicial Center Atrium. Her reappointment reflects the value of continuity and experience in the leadership of Guam's courts. As Chief Justice, Maraman oversees the administration of the judicial branch, works to ensure the fair and timely administration of justice, and guides policies that affect access to the courts for the people of Guam.

The ceremony was attended by judicial employees, government leaders, members of the legal community, and the public. During the event, Chief Justice Maraman highlighted key priorities for the Judiciary, including rehabilitation, equal justice, safeguarding the branch's operational and technological resources, and continued investment in court employees.

In her remarks, Chief Justice Maraman reflected on the dual responsibilities of her role and the impact of the courts on the community, *“As Chief Justice, I am cognizant that my role is twofold—my duties as a jurist to decide cases brought before the Supreme Court, and my administrative responsibilities as head of the judicial branch of Guam,”* said Chief Justice Maraman. *“My responsibility is to ensure a court system that operates efficiently and fairly, allocates resources thoughtfully and responsibly, invests in our physical and technological infrastructure, and works cooperatively with our sister branches. This is what our people expect from their third branch of government, and it is my commitment to you.”*

She also emphasized the essential role of court employees in the administration of justice, *“I want to address our court employees, for whom I have the highest regard,”* Chief Justice Maraman added. *“I am committed to investing in you because without you, the work of justice cannot be done.”*

Chief Justice Maraman joined the Supreme Court of Guam in 2008 and previously served as Chief Justice from January 2017 to January 2020, becoming the first female Chief Justice of Guam. Prior to her appointment to the Supreme Court, she served for 14 years as a Judge of the Superior Court of Guam. In addition to her service on Guam's highest court, Chief Justice Maraman serves as a part-time Associate Justice for the Supreme Court of Palau and as Justice Pro Tempore for the Supreme Court of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

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