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## The Judiciary mourns the passing of Maria G. Fitzpatrick

(Hagåtña, Guam) Chief Justice Robert J. Torres issues the following statement:

"Maria was a steady and trusted presence in our courts, answering the call whenever conflicts or absences required an experienced hand. She served with humility, sound judgment, and a genuine commitment to the fair administration of justice.

Her decades of public service—from her early years with the Office of the Attorney General to her work with the Public Defender Services Corporation, and later as a Referee, Administrative Hearings Officer, justice pro tempore, and judge pro tempore at the Judiciary—reflected a life dedicated to the people of Guam and to the rule of law.

Though she never sought recognition, Maria made our system stronger. She was respected by her colleagues, valued for her professionalism, and known for the dignity she brought to every assignment. On behalf of a grateful Judiciary, we extend our heartfelt condolences to her family, friends, and all who had the privilege of knowing her."

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