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Lieutenant Governor Tenorio Declares September as National Preparedness Month

The Offices of Guam Homeland Security and Civil Defense (GHS/OCD) invite the island to celebrate September as National Preparedness Month (NPM). Lieutenant Governor Ray Tenorio will sign the NPM Proclamation on Friday, August 31, 2018 at 11 a.m. at the Ricardo J. Bordallo Governors Complex, Large Conference Room.

This NPM will focus on planning, with the overarching theme "Disasters Happen. Prepare Now. Learn How." NPM is held annually in the month of September. During the month, the community is encouraged to conduct preparedness actions, develop emergency plans, learn how to stay safe, and how to communicate during an emergency. LtGov Tenorio's declaration of National Preparedness Month provides an excellent opportunity to highlight Guam's emergency management capabilities.

"This year National Preparedness Month will push whole community preparedness for all-hazards," stated Charles Esteves, Office of Civil Defense Administrator. "We encourage everyone to take time to learn basic lifesaving skills, such as CPR and first aid, check your insurance policies and coverage for hazards, consider costs associated with disasters and save money for emergencies," Esteves continued.

GHS/OCD will host the National Preparedness Month grand finale on Saturday, September 22, 2018 at the Agana Shopping Center from 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. (ChST). During the expo, there will be activities, booths, short skits, demonstrations and much more. Follow GHS/OCD on Facebook for event details and ways you can participate throughout the month: https://www.facebook.com/GHSOCD/.

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