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CSC RESOLUTION NO. 88-015

**RELATIVE TO UPGRADING EMERGENCY MEDICAL
TECHNICIAN - AMBULANCE (EMT-A) PERSONNEL
GUAM FIRE DEPARTMENT**

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION:

WHEREAS, the EMS Regulations approved pursuant to Public Law 14-11 (EMS Act) requires EMT-A's, in order to become certified and re-certified, to acquire 112 hours of additional training every two years beyond the requirements of a regular firefighter; and

WHEREAS, due to budgetary limitations, the EMT-A puts in these hours on their own time; and

WHEREAS, the EMT-A's perform critical services in saving lives and preventing and relieving pain and suffering; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to develop an incentive program to encourage Guam Fire Department personnel to get certification or recertification as EMT-A; and

WHEREAS, Guam Fire Department has only thirty (30) Firefighter I's working as EMT-A's of which 73% have less than two years experience; and eighty-seven firefighters who were at one time certified EMT-A have been decertified since 1980; and

WHEREAS, when responding to call outs, the EMT-A's are at greater risk from communicable diseases due to the trauma cases they handle, i.e., danger of Aids, Tuberculosis, Meningitis and other communicable diseases; and

WHEREAS, EMT-A services are required by the public by about ten to one over the services required for fire suppression responses which indicates a very high demand for EMT-A services; and

NOW, THEREFORE, the Civil Service Commission requests the Nineteenth Guam Legislature to enact legislation which authorizes a firefighter in the Guam Fire Department who performs work as a certified Emergency Medical Technician - Ambulance (EMT-A) to be paid a differential pay calculated at the rate of his regular wage plus fifteen percent (15%) for all periods he is assigned as a certified EMT-A and is a certified EMT-A.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED THIS 1st DAY OF December, 1988.


WILLIS S. CANNON, Vice Chairperson

CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION
GOVERNMENT OF GUAM

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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT RECEIPT SLIP

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The Honorable Franklin J.A. Quitugua
Speaker
Nineteenth Guam Legislature
Post Office Box CB-1
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**RE: Upgrading of Emergency Medical Technician -
Ambulance (EMT-A) Personnel
Guam Fire Department**

Dear Speaker Quitugua:

The Civil Service Commission Board, at its meeting on November 22, 1988, adopted the enclosed CSC Resolution No. 88-015 relative to upgrading Emergency Medical Technician - Ambulance Personnel, Guam Fire Department. The resolution was signed by the Board on December 1, 1988.

The Commission supports Bill No. 1098 that was recently introduced by Senator Ted S. Nelson, and we encourage the Nineteenth Guam Legislature's expeditious action to enact this bill into law.

Sincerely,



NORMA J. AFLAGUE
Executive Director

Enclosure

cc: Governor of Guam
Guam Fire Department
EMS Commission

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