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GMHA Welcomes Guam's First Baby of the New Year

(Tamuning, Guam; January 1, 2026) — The Guam Memorial Hospital Authority welcomed Guam's first baby of the New Year, marking a meaningful start to 2026 at the hospital that serves as a constant presence for families across the island.

The newborn arrived at 11:47 a.m. on January 1, bringing a moment of joy not only to the family, but also to the care teams who were there to support them. As Guam's public hospital, Guam Memorial Hospital remains a place where the island comes together for life's most important moments, from emergency care to the first breath of a new life.

"When families welcome a child at GMH, they are placing their trust in our hospital and in the people who serve here," said Interim CEO and Hospital Administrator Dr. Joleen M. Aguon. "Welcoming the first baby of the New Year reminds us that this hospital belongs to our island. We are here for our people in their hardest days and in their happiest ones, and it is an honor to begin the year caring for a new member of our Guam family."

Governor Lou Leon Guerrero shared her congratulations and reflected on the hospital's role in the community. "Guam Memorial Hospital is where our island turns during life's most meaningful moments," she said. "Welcoming the New Year baby is a reminder of the compassion and dedication of the healthcare professionals who serve our families day and night."

Lieutenant Governor Josh Tenorio highlighted the significance of the milestone for the island. "The birth of the New Year baby at GMH reflects the hospital's role as a constant presence for our community," he said. "It is a place where care, commitment, and community come together for the people of Guam."

Guam Memorial Hospital Authority congratulates the family and extends its warmest wishes for a healthy and joyful year ahead. GMHA remains committed to being there for the island, for every family, and for every moment that matters.

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