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## For Immediate Release

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## **ADVISORY ALERT!!**

**Sinajana, Guam (March 21, 2016)** – The Guam Housing and Urban Renewal Authority (GHURA) is sending out an advisor alert to **WARN** all Section 8 residents and the public about individuals going around falsely posing as GHURA employees. Individuals falsely posing as GHURA employees may be using this as a scheme to "case" homes or apartments for future burglary; or as a ruse to con residents into extorting monies in exchange for benefits.

Section 8 participants and the public are advised that GHURA employees are equipped with the appropriate identification cards and are required to identify themselves before entering homes. All residents should require the person at the door to show a proper identification. If they can't identify themselves, please do not let them in or provide any personal information such social security numbers, financial information or answer questions pertaining to when and what time they are out of the home. If you are unsure if the person at your door is a real GHURA employee, please call GHURA at 475-1330 or 475-1363 to verify if the person is a legitimate employee of GHURA.

Impersonating a GHURA or HUD employee is a <u>CRIME</u> and GHURA will refer all incidents for investigation to the HUD Office of Inspector General and the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI). If you should have any questions or comments; or if you wish to report an incident, please call GHURA at 475-1330 or 475-1363. Thank-you!

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