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Honorable Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D.
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Dear Madame Speaker:

Transmitted herewith is Bill No. 249-33 (COR), **"AN ACT TO MANDATE THE PAYMENT OF COMPENSATION BENEFITS OF ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICERS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, PURSUANT TO PUBLIC LAW 29-105,"** which was signed into law on June 23, 2016, as **Public Law 33-164.**

Senseramente,

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I MINA'TRENTAI TRES NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
2016 (SECOND) Regular Session

CERTIFICATION OF PASSAGE OF AN ACT TO *I MAGA'LÅHEN GUÅHAN*

This is to certify that **Bill No. 249-33 (COR), "AN ACT TO MANDATE THE PAYMENT OF COMPENSATION BENEFITS OF ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICERS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, PURSUANT TO PUBLIC LAW 29-105,"** was on the 17th day of June 2016, duly and regularly passed.

Benjamin J.F. Cruz
Acting Speaker

Attested:

Tina Rose Muña Barnes
Legislative Secretary

This Act was received by *I Maga'låhen Guåhan* this 20th day of June, 2016, at 5:35 o'clock p.M.

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Public Law No. 33-164

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Bill No. 249-33 (COR)
As amended on the Floor.

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AN ACT TO MANDATE THE PAYMENT OF COMPENSATION BENEFITS OF ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICERS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, PURSUANT TO PUBLIC LAW 29-105.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

Section 1. Legislative Findings and Intent. It was the intent of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* to ensure that the public safety and law enforcement officials identified pursuant to P.L. 29-105 were compensated accordingly in order to recruit and retain individuals to carry out these vital services to the community through a gradual increase in compensation over a period of four (4) years from the date of

enactment (August 14, 2008), so as to ensure for the island economy to absorb a graduated compensation increase.

I Liheslaturan Guåhan takes due note of the Civil Service Commission's August 6, 2015 ruling relative to Case No. 15-GRE-01, pursuant to the Stipulation of Settlement of July 2015, in favor of the Department of Agriculture personnel seeking the implementation of Public Law 29-105.

It is the continuing intent of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* to extinguish this unfulfilled, outstanding obligation to the Animal Control Officers of the Department of Agriculture, and bring the Department into compliance with the Civil Service Commission's ruling on Case No. 15-GRE-01.

Section 2. Implementation of Public Law 29-105 for Animal Control Officers. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, rule or regulation to the contrary, the Department of Agriculture *shall* immediately adjust the compensation of Animal Control Officers pursuant to § 55102 of Chapter 55, Title 10, Guam Code Annotated (P.L. 29-105). Compensation *shall* be applied and provided retroactively to the date the compensation adjustment was mandated to occur.

Section 3. Authorization for Payment of Compensation Owed. *I Maga'låhen Guåhan* may exercise his transfer authority pursuant to P.L. 33-66:XIII:9 from the Fiscal Year 2016 appropriations for the operation of the Executive Branch, to the Department of Agriculture specifically for the payment of compensation pursuant to 10 GCA § 55102 for Animal Control Officers. Payments to the affected Animal Control Officers may be made in increments, pursuant to a mutual agreement outlining such arrangements.

The Director of the Department of Agriculture *shall* submit a monthly report to *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* as to the date and amount of payments made pursuant to 10 GCA § 55102 and this Act.