MINA' BENTE OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN 2006 (SECOND) REGULAR SESSION

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Introduced by:

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AN ACT TO REPEAL AND REENACT §2206 OF TITLE 18, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO THE OWNERSHIP OF CORPORATE STOCK AND QUALIFICATIONS OF DIRECTORS OF A CORPORATION.

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

- 2 Section 1. Legislative Findings and Intent. Section 2206 of Title 18,
- 3 Guam Code Annotated, establishes that a person must own one share of stock
- 4 in a Guam corporation in order to be qualified to serve as a director. This
- 5 requirement creates a disincentive to organized corporations in Guam.
- 6 Corporate directors of foreign corporations [stock ownership exception 18
- 7 GCA §2116], investment companies or international finance corporations
- 8 [stock ownership exception 18 GCA §2115(a)(1)] are not required to own
- 9 stocks in order to register and operate as a Guam Corporation.
- 10 I Liheslaturan Guåhan finds that this privilege should extend to the
- 11 qualifications for directors of all corporations registered on Guam. The Act is

- 1 patterned after a similar standard contained within the "Model Corporation
- 2 Act." The Act will provide for a friendlier business landscape that will
- 3 stimulate further investment incentives and opportunities to Guam.
- 4 Section 2. Repeal and Reenactment. Section 2206 of Title 18, of the
- 5 Guam Code Annotated is hereby repealed and reenacted as follows:
- 6 "§2206. Qualifications of Directors. The Articles of
- 7 Incorporation or Bylaws may prescribe qualifications for directors.
- A director need not be a resident of Guam unless the Articles of
- 9 Incorporation or Bylaws so prescribe."