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Bill No. 359(FC)

Introduced by:

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AN ACT TO ADD A NEW § 847 TO CHAPTER 8 OF TITLE 1 OF THE GUAM CODE ANNOTATED TO RENAME THE MERIZO LIBRARY TO BE THE "ROSA AGUIGUI REYES MEMORIAL LIBRARY."

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

- Section 1. A new § 847 is added to Chapter 8 of Title 1 of the Guam
- 3 Code Annotated to Read:

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- 4 "§ 847. (a) Rosa Aguigui Reyes was the first woman elected to the Guam
- 5 Congress, in 1946. She was a pioneer in politics, and in education. Her long
- 6 career as an educator started in 1933 when she became a classroom teacher at
- 7 Merizo Martyrs Elementary School in Merizo, a position she kept for 31 years.
- 8 She was also a principal at F.Q. Sanchez School in Umatac for 11 years. Mrs.
- 9 Reyes was also a research assistant for noted anthropologist Laura Thompson
- 10 for studies of Guam history and culture. She was part of the first
- commencement of the College of Guam in 1954, earning an associates degree
- in education, and was inducted into the "Educators Hall of Fame" in 1983. As

- an educational leader on Guam, Mrs. Reyes is a roll model for young people
- 2 today. By looking at her life and accomplishments, students of today can be
- 3 inspired to high achievements. It is appropriate that a fitting honor be
- 4 bestowed upon her memory.
- 5 (b). The Merizo Library is hereby named the "Rosa Aguigui Reyes
- 6 Memorial Library". The Governor shall arrange an appropriate ceremony and
- 7 signage to designate the library by this name."