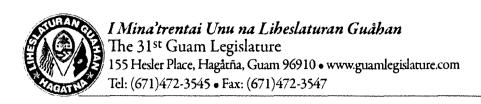
I Mina' Trentai Dos Na Liheslaturan Guåhan Resolutions Log Sheet

Resolution	Sponsor	Title	Date Intro	Date of	Date	Committee /	Date Adopted
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	Rory J. Respicio	Relative to renewing Guam's call for justice and War Reparations for	01/09/2013,		1/11/2013	Sponsor 3/28/13	Public Hearing 1/31/13,
		victims of the occupation of Guam by Japanese forces during WWII, and to	11:20am			10:31 a.m	5:30pm
		assert that the use of Section 30 fund for this purpose does not fulfill the				Committee Report	
8		requirements of justice.				submitted	
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		Relative to renewing Guam's call for justice with respect to War					further amended on the
7		Reparations and calling for action by the U.S. Congress on this issue, and	4/2/2013				Floor;
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` ' '		Compacts of Free Association, in order to appropriate such sums as may be necessary for this purpose, and to address other concerns of the people of Guam.	5/17/13, 9:45am				adoption
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							the floor



May 16, 2013

Governor Edward J.B. Calvo Office of the Governor of Guam Ricardo J. Bordallo Governor's Complex Adelup, Guam 96910

REF: Resolution No. 4-32 (COR)

Dear Governor Calvo

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Sincerely,

TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES

Legislative Secretary

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As amended by the Author; further amended on the Floor; and reconsidered after adoption and further amended on the Floor.

Introduced by:

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8	by Guam's inhabitants who suffered as U.S. nationals during World War II, and
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11	WHEREAS, nearly seventy (70) years have passed since the liberation of
12	Guam, and the settlement of War Reparations claims has not been discharged as a
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14	U.S. Congress; and
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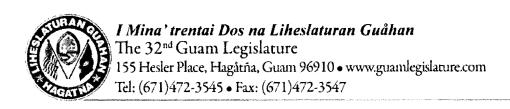
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JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D.
Speaker

RORY J. RESPICIO

Chairperson, Committee on Rules

TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES Legislative Secretary



April 1, 2013

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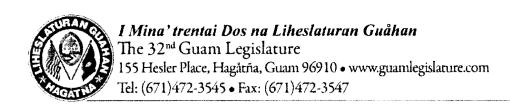
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JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D.

Speaker

TINA ROSE MUÑA-BARNES **Legislative Secretary**

LEGISLATIVE SESSION ATTENDANCE

I MINA'TRENTAI DOS NA LIHESLATURAN

2013 (FIRST) Regular Session

Voting Sheet

ARES No: 4-32 (COR)

Speaker Antonio R. Unipingco Legislative Session Hall

Relative to renewing Guam's call for justice with respect to War Reparations and calling for action by the U.S. Congress on this issue, and utilizing offsets such as the unpaid federal obligation for the impact of the Compacts of Free Association, in order to appropriate such sums as may be necessary for this purpose, and to address other concerns of the people of Guam.

NAME	Yea	<u>Nay</u>	Not Voting/ Abstained	Out During Roll Call	Absent
Senator Thomas "Tom" C. ADA	>				
Senator V. Anthony "Tony" ADA	V				
Senator Frank Blas AGUON Jr.	V				
Vice-Speaker Benjamin J.F. CRUZ		1 1			
Senator Christopher M. DUENAS	· V				
Senator Michael LIMTIACO		\ \ \			
Senator Brant McCREADIE	V				
Senator Thomas "Tommy" MORRISON	\ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \				
Senator Tina Rose MUÑA BARNES	\ \				
Senator Vicente (ben) Cabrera PANGELINAN		V			
Senator Rory J. RESPICIO	V				
Senator Dennis G. RODRIGUEZ, Jr.	<u> </u>				
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CERTIFIED TRUE AND CORRECT:

Clerk of the Legislature

SENATOR RORY J. RESPICIO Majority Leader



March 27, 2013

The Honorable Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D. Speaker

I Mina'trentai Dos na Liheslaturan Guåhan

155 Hesler Place

Hagåtña, Guam 96910



RE: Committee Report on Res. No. 4-32 (COR) as Amended

Hafa Adai Speaker Won Pat:

The Committee on Rules, Federal, Foreign & Micronesian Affairs, and Human & Natural Resources; and Election Reform hereby reports out its findings and recommendations on Resolution No. 4-32 (COR) as Amended – "Relative to renewing Guam's call for justice with respect to War Reparations and calling for action by the U.S. Congress on this issue, and utilizing offsets such as the unpaid federal obligation for the impact of the Compacts of Free Association, in order to appropriate such sums as may be necessary for this purpose, and to address other concerns of the People of Guam."

Some members of the Legislature had expressed concerns about the possible precedent that may be established by utilizing Section 30 funds for war reparations. In the constructive dialogue that arose during the public hearing, a number of suggestions were discussed for alternative offsets to Section 30 funds that could conceivably meet the requirements of the rules of the House of Representatives.

Since the public hearing for this resolution, the Committee has been working in consultation with the Office of Congresswoman Madeleine Z. Bordallo to amend Res. No. 4-32 to produce language that would be supportive of our Congresswoman's efforts to push War Reparations through Congress.

Just last week, Senator V. Anthony "Tony" Ada and I traveled to Washington, D.C. and met with Mr. Allen P. Stayman who is a senior staff member of the U.S. Senate Committee on Energy & Natural Resources. Our discussions focused on the War Reparations issue and other unfunded federal obligations such as the adverse impact of the Compacts of the Freely Associated States.

Because of the Compacts, our community has borne an estimated half a billion dollars in costs to our education, health and public safety systems since the signing of the Compacts more than

Speaker Judith T. Won Pat/Res. 4-32 (COR) as Amended March 27, 2013 Page 2

two decades ago. During this period, actual federal payments to the government of Guam have amounted to only a fraction of the amount due to our people. This estimate comes from the Office of the Governor's "Impact of the Compacts of Free Association on Guam: FY 2004 through FY 2012." Furthermore, there are the existing federal matching funds for the Medicaid problem that results in the Government of Guam bearing millions in costs for carrying out this federally-mandated program. This burden will become even greater as the Medicaid expansion required by the Affordable Care Act is implemented.

In our meeting with Mr. Stayman, we discussed the possibility of securing funding for the federal match for the Medicaid program, as well as other federal programs, by use of unpaid federal obligations as an offset for this funding. Alternatively, unpaid federal Compact Impact obligations could be utilized as a basis for waiving the local match for federal grant in-kind matching programs that do not have specific entitlement mandates as does the Medicaid program.

It also was suggested that the debt to Guam from unpaid Compact Impact could be exchanged to secure title to Fena Lake, which has long been a policy goal of this community. Other policy proposals discussed dealing with Compact Impact included improved enforcement of the provisions of the Compact for repatriating those convicted of crimes, and building a federal prison in the Federated States of Micronesia.

During the course of our discussions, Mr. Stayman seemed very amenable to these suggestions and expressed the view that they were worthy of consideration. In light of this, the Committee examined amendments to Res. No. 4-32 that would incorporate these proposals with a further request to Congresswoman Bordallo's office to vigorously pursue adoption of the off-set options in future federal legislation dealing with Guam.

Very Truly Yours,

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Rory J. Respicio

SENATOR RORY J. RESPICIO Majority Leader



COMMITTEE REPORT ON Resolution No. 4-32 (COR) As Amended

"Relative to renewing Guam's call for justice with respect to War Reparations and calling for action by the U.S. Congress on this issue, and utilizing offsets such as the unpaid federal obligation for the impact of the Compacts of Free Association, in order to appropriate such sums as may be necessary for this purpose, and to address other concerns of the People of Guam." Sponsored by Rory J. Respicio

SENATOR RORY J. RESPICIO Majority Leader





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March 27, 2013

MEMORANDUM

To: All Members

Committee on Rules, Federal, Foreign & Micronesian Affairs, and Human & Natural Resources; and

Election Reform

From: Senator Rory J. Respicio

Subject: Committee Report on Res. No. 4-32 (COR) as Amended

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This report includes the following supporting documents:

- Committee Report Digest
- Copy of Resolution No. 4-32(COR)
- Copy of Resolution No. 4-32(COR) as Amended
- Public Hearing Sign-in Sheet
- Copy of Submitted Testimony
- Referral of Resolution No. 4-32 (COR)
- Public Hearing Notices
- Public Hearing Agenda

Please take the appropriate action on the attached voting sheet. Your attention to this matter is greatly appreciated. Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Si Yu'os Ma'åse!

SENATOR RORY J. RESPICIO

Majority Leader





I. **OVERVIEW**

RESOLUTION NO. 4-32 (COR) - "RELATIVE TO RENEWING GUAM'S CALL FOR JUSTICE AND WAR REPARATIONS FOR VICTIMS OF THE OCCUPATION OF GUAM BY JAPANESE FORCES DURING WWII, AND TO ASSERT THAT THE USE OF SECTION 30 FUND FOR THIS PURPOSE DOES NOT FULFILL THE REQUIREMENTS OF JUSTICE," was introduced by Senator Rory J. Respicio, Speaker Judith T. Won Pat, Vice Speaker Benjamin J. F. Cruz, Senator Michael F.Q. San Nicolas, and Senator Thomas C. Ada on January 9, 2013; and was subsequently referred to the Committee on Rules; Federal, Foreign & Micronesian Affairs; and Human & Natural Resources; and Election Reform on January 11, 2013.

COMMITTEE REPORT DIGEST

Senator Rory J. Respicio, Chairperson of the Committee on Rules; Federal, Foreign & Micronesian Affairs; and Human & Natural Resources; and Election Reform convened a public hearing on Resolution No. 4-32 (COR) on Thursday, January 31, 2013 at 5:30 P.M. in the Legislature's Public Hearing Room to receive public testimony on the measure.

Public Notice Requirements

In accordance with the Open Government Law, notices were disseminated to all senators and to all main media broadcasting outlets, first on Thursday, January 24, 2013, and again on Monday, January 28, 2013.

Senators Present

Senator Rory J. Respicio, Chairperson

Senator Thomas C. Ada, Vice-Chairperson

Speaker Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D, Committee Member

Vice-Speaker Benjamin J.F. Cruz, Committee Member

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Senator Aline A. Yamashita, Ph.D., Committee Member

Senator Michael Limtiaco

Senator Brant McCreadie

Senator Christopher M. Duenas

Senator Thomas Morrison

SUMMARY OF TESTIMONY & DISCUSSION

Mr. Juan P. Diaz, in support of the resolution, provided oral testimony.

Mr. Joe T. San Agustin, provided oral and written testimony.

Mr. Juan B. Rosario, in opposition of the resolution, signed up for oral testimony but was not present when called.

Mr. Ben "Fa'et" Garrido, provided oral testimony.

Mr. Felix C. Babauta, in support of the resolution.

Ms. Carmen J. Tenorio, in support of the resolution.

Mr. Antonio S. Cruz, in opposition of resolution.

Mr. Frank Honoravio, in support of the resolution.

Mr. Eloy Hara, in opposition of the resolution, provided oral testimony.

Mr. Jose Garrido, in support of the resolution, provided oral testimony.

Senator Rory J. Respicio called the public hearing to order at 5:30 P.M. and as the main sponsor of Resolution No. 4-32 (COR), provided opening remarks.

Senator Rory J. Respicio:

Good Evening Ladies and Gentlemen, Members of the Committee and of course Congresswoman Bordallo. Thank you all for your attendance. This hearing is being called on Resolution 4-32 which was prompted by Congresswoman Bordallo's recent efforts to secure War Reparations through HR 44. That stole items is before us tonight and we all look forward to receiving Congresswoman Bordallo's testimony outlining her intentions and goals respect to this measure.

Before we begin, I just want ask everyone here to join me in a moment of silence in honor of our *manamko*-the greatest generation out people have ever known. Tonight we remember our war survivors- those we are blessed to still have with us and those who have since passed on. I also want to take a moment to honor the late former Governor Ricky Bordallo... whose death anniversary is being remembered on this day.

Thank you all.

Although Guam Resolution 4-32 and Congresswoman Bordallo's HR 44 were both introduced this month, it has actually been a long journey for the victims of the Japanese occupation during World War II and for this community which has championed the cause of these victims as matter, not just of compensation, but of justice- justice that was denied our people when the U-S Government signed away our rights to seek restitution from Japan as a part of the peace treaty formally ending hostilities between our two nations.

Throughout this long journey, our Guam's Delegate's to the House of Representatives have tirelessly pursued War Reparations beginning with A.B. Won Pat and his successors Ben Blas, Robert Underwood, and now Congresswoman Bordallo.

Throughout this journey progress has been made toward reaching the goal of securing War Reparations including the convening of a federal commission, of which Vice-Speaker Cruz was a member, who validated the claims of those seeking war reparations and concluded that it was indeed an obligation of the federal government.

In an effort to continue the work on this critical matter, Congresswoman Bordallo this month introduced HR 44 which identifies Section 30 funds as a source of financing for War Reparations. With this new legislation - has come questions regarding its rationale and future prospects. There are also questions regarding the possible precedent to be established in using revenues that were already reserved for Guam to pay for federal obligations whether they are War Reparations, compact impact, or the infrastructure cost

of the military buildup. There is also the question of what impact the diversion of \$100 million in GovGuam revenues will have on public services, vendor payments, the ability of this government to pay tax refunds on time and so much more.

Nevertheless every member of this Legislature is committed - as I am sure you are Congresswoman - to moving this process forward, and to actually achieve real progress in securing War Reparations once and for all. We have all traveled this journey together and we all share the goal of securing justice for the victims of the Japanese Occupation and for this community. And with that I would like to call on our Congresswoman, the Honorable Madeleine Z. Bordallo to present her testimony.

Senator Respicio called on individuals to testify on Resolution No. 4-32 (COR).

First to testify was Congresswoman Madeleine Z. Bordallo.

Congresswoman Madeleine Z. Bordallo:

Mr. Chairman, Members of the Committee and the people of Guam – I thank you for the opportunity to appear before the Committee on Rules; Federal, Foreign & Micronesian Affairs; and Human & Natural Resources; and Election Reform of the 32nd Guam Legislature. I appreciate the opportunity to explain the budgetary offset that I included in H.R. 44, the Guam World War II Loyalty Recognition Act, which I reintroduced on the very first day of the 113th Congress.

As all members of the 32nd Guam Legislature understand, passage of H.R. 44 remains my top legislative priority; indeed securing war claims has been a top legislative priority for every Delegate from Guam to Congress including Congressman Won Pat, Congressman Blas and Congressman Underwood. H.R. 44 implements the recommendations of the Guam War Claims Review Commission and seeks to address the unequal treatment of war claims to the people of Guam following enemy occupation during World War II.

H.R. 44 has passed the House on five separate occasions and has been brought up for a vote in the Senate twice. As many are aware, the bill has come close to passage on several occasions, but objections in the Senate by fiscal conservatives blocked passage of the bill when it was included in the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2011. Due to the objections of these Senators the war claims provision was removed from the defense bill so that the Defense bill could pass before the end of the 111th Congress.

Despite this setback I renewed my efforts to pass H.R. 44 in the 112th Congress. Unfortunately, commitments that I believed I had from Republican leadership to attach war claims to the following year's defense bill were not realized. On July 14, 2011 the Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife, Oceans and Insular Affairs of the House Committee on Natural Resources held an oversight hearing on H.R. 44. The committee heard testimony from Governor Eddie Calvo, former Congressman Ben Blaz, Obama Administration officials, and Mauricio Tamargo, former Chair of the Guam War Claims Review Commission. The testimony from our local leaders and survivors was powerful and impactful. The suffering of the people of Guam during the occupation was not experienced by any other community in the United States during World War II. To many in the room, the moral obligation of the United States to address the inequities in the treatment of claims to the people of Guam was obvious. However, the hearing highlighted a significant obstacle that currently faces the legislation – the legislation costs money and the rank-and-file Republicans in the 112th and now 113th Congress have serious concerns about our debt and deficit issues. In an exchange I had with Congressman Jeff Landry, he indicated serious concerns

that the bill would add to the country's debt without an offset. I challenged him that if I was able to identify an offset, could we more seriously consider moving the legislation, and he agreed that an offset would take the discussion of the legislation to the next level.

Over the last several months, I have met with local leaders to discuss the possibility of including an offset in H.R. 44. I have proposed that we use additional section 30 funds above and beyond the level of section 30 funds received in Fiscal Year 2012 as a way to pay for war claims. I proposed this as a funding source because the stringent budget rules for the Republican-led House of Representatives. Budget rules require that funds be real money and not some sort of budget gimmick. H.R. 44 has been solely referred to the House Natural Resources Committee and Chairman Hastings has always insisted on "regular order." "Regular order" consists of a hearing on the bill, a mark-up and a credible offset for any legislation that has a cost. Chairman Hastings is absolutely insistent on this process, so it was critical to find a credible offset. The additional section 30 funds that Guam was to receive beyond Fiscal Year 2012 were directly attributable to additional military forces on Guam, most specifically the relocation of Marines from Okinawa, Japan to Guam to include their rotational forces as well as additional Navy and Air Force presence on Guam. Given that the Administration and Congress remain supportive of the relocation, I believed that this offset was realistic and would meet the stringent budget guidelines of the 113th Congress.

To be honest, I would prefer to not have to find an offset for this legislation. I do believe it is the moral obligation of the federal government to pay these claims to the people of Guam. Moreover, the roughly estimated cost of the bill is \$100 million, and in reality probably significantly less, which is a small portion of the federal budget. To put the cost in perspective, Guam war claims are estimated to cost just .01 percent of the total base budget for the Department of Defense in Fiscal Year 2012. As you can see it is just a small fraction of discretionary spending. In this regard, I very much share the concerns raised in Resolution 4-32 particularly with respect to the use of additional section 30 funds as an offset. However, I hope that the Senators will work with me to revise Resolution 4-32 so it sends a clear and unambiguous signal that as "One Guam" we want to pass H.R. 44, understanding and recognizing the challenges we have with budget rules in the House of Representatives. We must bring closure to this painful chapter for our manamko'. Despite my convictions in not wanting to use section 30 funds as an offset, I am pragmatic and realize that if I am to bring closure to this painful chapter for the manamko' that I must propose a realistic offset so that this authorization for a claims process can move forward. Without a realistic offset the bill will not move forward this Congress. In fact, it would not get a hearing and effectively die in Committee. That is why we need to identify a realistic offset so that the authorization is passed and the people of Guam can file their claims with the Foreign Claims Settlement Commission. Subsequently, we would know the total number of claims and seek a separate appropriation to fund payment of these claims.

Again, it is important to note that the offset is in authorizing language only. If the bill were to pass I would work with the Obama Administration to seek a separate appropriation for war claims without impacting additional section 30 funds. President Obama has remained steadfast in his support for Guam War Claims and I believe our efforts to secure a separate appropriations will be successful. During his first run for office in 2008, he clearly indicated his support for the legislation and, in fact, worked closely with his colleague Chairman Patrick Leahy to try and advance the legislation in the Senate. During the course of his four years in office, his Administration has been an ardent supporter of H.R. 44. Specifically, the Administration provided letters from senior leaders in the U.S. Department of the Interior and even from the Department of Defense in support of H.R. 44. I believe that the Administration would be receptive to seeking a separate appropriation once the total amount of claims are known, and I would challenge anyone in Congress to come to the floor and oppose this separate appropriation.

That said, I certainly understand the concerns that have been raised by some of our Senators, and I commit to hearing and considering any proposal they may have for H.R. 44. I recognize the difficult decision that has been made in using additional section 30 funds so I am certainly open to other ideas. However, I caution that finding offsets is no easy task. A case in point of identifying offsets can be seen in the attempt to pass the Palau Compact renewal. Support for the policies of renewing the Compact with Palau is universal in Congress. It is the offsets that were identified for the legislation that have been problematic and stalled the measure's passage in the 112th Congress. The Administration and Republicans in Congress have been at loggerheads over the offsets that were to be used to pay for the legislation. In fact, several of us in Congress had to work closely together to propose some alternative offsets in order to get traction on the legislation. By proposing to offset the cost of H.R. 44 with additional section 30 funds, I believe I have identified an offset that is credible and would garner consideration by the Republican-led House of Representatives. As I stated earlier, H.R. 44 is simply an authorization to establish a claims process that would allow the people of Guam to file claims. After passage of H.R. 44 a separate appropriation from the Obama Administration would be necessary to fund War Claims and this separate appropriation would not have to tap the additional section 30 funds.

As I have stated over the past two years, passing anything in the 112th or 113th Congresses will not be easy. We are confronted with significant budgetary challenges and any legislation that has a cost associated with it is difficult to pass. I identified the additional section 30 funds because I am committed to the passage of this legislation and to bring this matter to a closure once and for all. That said; I welcome the input and suggestions from local leaders on how we might improve the bill as it makes its way through the legislative process.

Again, I thank the Senators for the opportunity to appear before the Committee and I look forward to your questions.

Senator Rory Respicio:

The Section 30 funds has been earmarked for the island and expressed his appreciation for Congresswoman Bordallo's presence at the public hearing and hearing her logic behind her proposal.

Senator Christopher M. Duenas:

In our meeting I remember you asking us for our ideas which you have restated on the potential other possible offsets or funding sources and I noticed in the recent handouts under Obama '08, Compact Impact reimbursements as you had just discussed clearly states in his platform that for the Compact Impact, the federal government owns Guam hundreds and millions of dollars. The leadership of Congresswoman Bordallo has shown that there are creative ways that this issue may be addressed. President Bush missed an opportunity to offset past un-rein burst compact impact expenses to GovGuam obligations. There may be an opportunity to revisit this as part of the 2009 recognition of compact free association with Republic of Palau and President Obama looks forward to working with Congresswoman Bordallo at that time to address these issues. Clearly, this is a statement from the President and now reelected on his platform to agree that there are millions of dollars in Compact Impact reimbursement owed to the people of Guam. May this be a viable to the proposal or perhaps an amendment to the current resolution in the event that the Section 30 monies will be held as part of the proposal put forward in your bill and not simply a placemat?

Congresswoman Bordallo:

Using the Compact Impact what they owe the Government of Guam, I know that the republicans would look at this as a budgetary gimmick for one thing and we have been looking at other legislative vehicles. We have to be innovative in this respect like we were when we offered legislation to purchase the Navy waste water system and the cost of that was to be offset by the compact impact that we place in NDAA '11 and was passed. I think that the majority in Congress would look at this as a gimmick.

Senator Christopher M. Duenas:

To provide some of the people of Guam some security and the possible holding to the commitment to because as you continue to say Madame Congresswoman. President Obama commitments stays firm and to ensure that there is a backup for not having to worry about the Section 30 funds, if we provided for this in the resolution as an amendment, at least the president will have somewhere to go having the Congress know here is compact impact, use compact impact. Compact impact is underfunded and millions of dollars are owed to the people of Guam.

Mr. Matthew Herrmann, Legislative Director for Congresswoman Bordallo:

The issue of the use of compact impact is that it is only appropriated to a certain level. When you are looking for an offset, essentially what we would be doing would be offsetting what Guam gets in compact impact funding in a given year. We understand the concern that there is a certain level of appropriation but the cost to Guam is significant. We are looking at other legislative ways; the Congresswoman mentioned the Navy's waste water system as a way to offset. You can get back the waste water system by considering the in-kind contributions of the services that we've provided. I understand the ideas you are getting at but the problem is that given the budgetary rules and how strict they are, it would be very difficult to use what is often referred to as "unreimbursed" compact impact because it is a specific appropriation, I don't think it would satisfy the concerns of republicans on the committee.

Senator Christopher M. Duenas:

I understand Matt that we are trying to meet half way, we are trying to provide a resolution that has concrete recommendations to it so that there is leeway once the bill is passed if it is passed and we don't get caught when we knew that the purpose of the reimbursement of the stated funding source was to get this thing in Congress and I know that all the Senators share in closed quarters and as we talk to you now, we want to do everything we possibly can through this resolution to ensure the people of Guam have alternatives when this bill is passed.

Senator vicente c. pangelinan:

In order to offset something according to budgetary rules, that money has to be spent today for another purpose so the un-rein burst portion of compact impact was spent so it doesn't meet the budgetary criteria of offset correct and will not move the bill forward?

Mr. Matt Herrmann:

That is correct.

Senator vicente c. pangelinan:

The question then becomes, that the commitment is that once we move the bill forward, the appropriation to be made at a later time when payment needs to be made, what would be the time that it would take from the passage of this bill with the authorization to the time of the appropriation will be passed in order to make the payments? Also depending on the application process and the legislative process of getting another bill passed or the new budget cycle?

Congresswoman Bordallo:

Senator, we must work on this because we got to get this through the Obama administration.

Senator vicente c. pangelinan:

We can't pass the authorization, sit back, and wait. We got to work on the appropriation at the same time because of the time frame that budget requests are submitted and heard in Congress and so forth.

Congresswoman Bordallo:

That's right. We do have a commitment from the current President and we can't count on that if anything should change in the future.

Mr. Matt Herrmann:

You are right. You would have one year of the claims to be filed and that process but in the process of H.R. 44 being passed, we would have a score from CBL and that would be the basis when we go to the administration and say please put this year in the next fiscal year budget.

Congresswoman Bordallo:

We had a public hearing here. Senator Cruz was here. We heard from the manamko' survivors and so forth. I think people registered at the time for their claims. Once this bill goes through, then we get the official registry of claims then the budget office and we feel it would be less than the \$100 million because of many survivors that have passed on.

Vice-Speaker Benjamin J.F. Cruz:

I take offense to the thought that Compact Impact that it's a budget gimmick. That is money that is definitely owed to the people of Guam for the services that we provided under a compact. I'm glad that Speaker Ben clarified that, but please don't ever refer to compact impact un-rein burst as a budget gimmick because that's real money owed to the people of Guam. Having been on the commission spending a while year in hearings and report we sent into Congress, I'm devoted to the idea and firmly believe that it's a moral responsibility of the United States now to pay this. I strongly object to the use of Section 30 as an offset because it sets a very dangerous precedence in that in 60 years from now, that money has been carried over automatically as payment like in lieu of taxes that the military isn't paying rent and for us now to say this is the basis in which they are going to pay us for atrocities suffered by our people, I find very objectionable. I do not support the idea of using Section 30 funds as the basis for this payment.

Congresswoman Bordallo:

We all object to having to go through this route. Know that we must have an offset to proceed with this bill otherwise it would be dead. This is going to be on my conscience and I don't want it to be. As long as we are using this as a vehicle to get this bill through, the sub-committee hearings, the committee hearings, and eventually on the floor to vote, and over to the Senate, this is a process that is absolutely almost impossible. I agree with the sentiments and I don't think anyone want this. That is why I keep asking and wondering if there is any other bit of money that we could use as an off-set to get this through and once it gets through, remember, it's an authorization, much different than an appropriation, so than after that, we look into the President's budget and we can probably funnel through that budget. We care an awful lot about our manamko' and the people that suffered. It's a day in justice.

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Vice-Speaker Cruz:

My concern is that you are setting precedence and allowing Congress to realize this is not a gimmick, the Section 30 money and that if anyone wants to tap into it, it can be used as a source of other appropriation. It is a slippery slope that we are going to find ourselves sliding down on and I really, really object to this because it is us that is saying "Go ahead, take our money, and pay me back." If someone else suggested it, it would be one thing, but when we suggest it ourselves, I cannot in good conscience support it.

Congresswoman Bordallo:

For the record, I never referred Section 30 as a gimmick. Section 30 is the real thing. I mentioned that with the compact impact that they may look at that as a gimmick.

Vice-Speaker Cruz:

I am not saying that you were. I am saying that now they will realize that using Section 30 is not a gimmick and that anytime they want to find a place marker and be able to use it as their way of getting an authorization through, they are going to be able to use it. And in the last 60 years, is has not been used by anybody. Speaker Joe T. San Agustin is here in the back and he has been there since the beginning and he knows that is has never been used.

Senator Michael F.Q. San Nicolas

Nana Paka is 96 years old. We make as much time to spend quality time with Grandma San Nicolas. It's always very special for us. Nana Paka also lost her oldest grandson Mayor Henry San Nicolas Ofeciar in Afghanistan. Grandma San Nicolas never asks for money. She doesn't want a check. None of her sons or daughters ever looked for checks nor do her grandsons or granddaughters. The issue here is that making sure that the sufferings that our manamko' went through are going to be given the proper recognition and what makes this so painful for a grandson like me is for us to keep coming back and talking about numbers and having to figure out how to trick a Congress into recognizing a sufferings of my grandmother's generation. I want to applaud your office, Congresswoman for doing everything you can to strategically bring closure for your issue and you raised a question that given the current environment, and how else can we bring closure to this issue? I would like to make a suggestion to the mechanics which you are proposing is for us to use future Section 30 money, anticipated money, to pay the receivables to pay for the war claims. We are talking about \$100 million dollars and we are talking about the Obama administration. So even if we were to use future Section 30 monies, the likelihood of us using future money revenue from that source to pay millions of dollar for the survivors is not realistic. It's not likely that we will be able to bring in that amount of money in the short period of time that Nana Paka has left to live on this island. We are talking about \$100 million dollars in cash for a lot of people who are getting old. We are able to look at anticipated receivables in Section 30 as an offset, and then I would like to echo Senator Duenas' suggestion in looking at anticipated payables in the Congress as an offset. With compact impact being an anticipated payable, it is on the same token, an equal offset from a budget perspective because anticipated payables are the same as anticipated receivables when it comes down to the balance sheet. If we were to look at compact impact, as an anticipated payable and structure it that way, we can keep the original intent of H.R. 44 using an anticipated budgetary offset to capitalize the amounts that we want. But I want to take it a step further because we have talked about how the amounts in compact impact are only so much. We want to get out as much money to our people as possible. I wanted to suggest if the idea has ever been floated to structure an interest free loan perhaps from the department of interior that would be paid back to the anticipated payables on compact impact money. So let's say we get "x" amount of dollars of compact impact per year, but we amortize a \$100 million dollars loan from the Department of Interior (DOI) over 30 years, surely the compact impact offset will be able to pay for that debt service of that interest free loan from the DOI so we can get the \$100 million as a lump sum, amortize

it over a 30 year period, have it paid down by the deduction in payables in compact impact over that period of time, get the money as a big chunk of change for the people right away and meet everything across the board. Everybody gets paid. We find the offset for it, not necessarily from anticipated receivables, but from anticipated payables instead, and everyone is able to find closure on this issue. Has that ever been explored Madame Congresswoman?

Congresswoman Bordallo:

Not to my knowledge. But it is a good idea and thank you for being very innovative. Matt, what do you think with the fiscal situation?

Mr. Matt Herrmann

Senator, that is a very innovated idea and we will be willing to take a look at it. The only challenge when you are talking about payables is that is has to be something that has to be discussed so long as it is the committee's jurisdiction which is Natural Resources and is something in the budget that we can point to then its workable. What I like about your idea is that it's a loan and it's something we can talk further about, it gets complex, but it is something we are willing to explore with you.

Senator Michael F.O. San Nicolas:

I will be more than happy to continue dialogue with your office on this. It's a matter of structuring and I think that the federal government has demonstrated a high capacity for structuring in order to continue to make a balance of payments.

Congresswoman Bordallo:

Thank you Senator. I would like to work with you on that.

Senator Rory Respicio:

I would also like to get that in writing for possible amendment to the resolution.

Senator Thomas C. Ada:

Estimated that what's due for war reparations is about \$100 million and that will continue to decrease as the survivors pass on. Now, is this H.R. 44 that has been introduced, is this not different from previous bills? My understanding is that now that the survivor himself passes away, they money that was coming to them was going to pass on to their dependants or their children. If that's the case, then this \$100 million dollars is going to remain \$100 million dollars until it's paid off. Can you clarify that statement?

Mr. Matt Herrmann:

Senator that is a good question because H.R. 44 which we introduced in this Congress represents that compromise that we have reached in Senate a couple of years ago and it did eliminate that one category of heirs of survivors who faced personal injury during an occupation. This bill only has two (2) claim categories which are survivors and so called death claims. Those would be payments to families whose members died during the occupation. The \$100 million was estimated about two (2) years ago and to be honest with you, it was a very rough estimate by the Congressional Budget Office (CBO) when we were doing the defense bill which is why we feel that number is significantly lower and we would love for CBO would score this bill so we would have a better idea of what the total cost is.

Senator Thomas C. Ada:

At least we have clarified the pay categories under this new H.R. 44. I understand the mechanics that we are looking at. We have a bill; it needs an offset, Section 30, then move to the next step. Now the plan is that once we gotten past that hurdle and get an authorization, we can then go to the President and ask to fund this reparation out of the administration's budget. Of course there is competing interest for the limited dollars that even the administration has. So, if the administration is not able to get it into its budget. The political pressure will be there in 2014, right around election time. As much as I want to remain optimistic, it is very likely that the administration does not include this in their budget in a timely manner, we are going to be dipping into Section 30 money.

Mr. Matt Herrmann:

Again, it is an authorization and we still need to submit a budget that funds it. But what you would be looking for is a corresponding decrease in what they submit is the cover over of Section 30 funds which is why we remain confident that the Obama Administration would follow through on that commitment and find the commitment without having to harm the Section 30 funds. I agree; the political pressure for them to bear would be there in harming Section 30 funds with concerns raised in this community.

Senator Thomas C. Ada:

I agree. We have a lame duck administration, basically and there other competing interests so my point is that when we get to that point, one, two, three years, it's going to be so hard to say no and touch the Section 30 money.

Congresswoman Bordallo:

You are absolutely right. You cannot predict Congress. I've been promised and spoken to the President myself but like you said, there are other competing requests for money from his budget. I'm going to make every effort to go after this. If you are not able to get what you want, you can always withdraw. Like Mr. Herrmann said, it's an authorization and we are not so sure we are even going to get this bill through. I'm more confident with the House of Representatives where I have many friends, but with the Senate, it is very difficult, even if the majorities are democrats. This is the obstacle all these years with this bill so you are right, it is something we have to work very hard on for this commitment to the people of Guam. We are willing to look into Senator San Nicolas' suggestion. We are willing to look into anything willing to come up. Time is running out and we have to do this before the Obama Administration is up.

Senator Thomas C. Ada:

We just clarified that the initial objective of identifying Section 30 money so that we can get it to the next step, but after that, it could be game on and we could end up using it. Has there been any discussion with the Calvo administration regarding H.R. 44 and using Section 30 monies as an offset? I ask that because a couple of years ago when they were down here going through the public hearing so they can float \$200 million bond to pay for income tax refunds, in their presentation, they show very clearly that for at least the next three (3) years, the debt service on that was going to be real low because we are only paying the interest on those bonds. Come around 2014 and 2015, the annual debt service is going to bump up and then we are going to be paying for principal and interest. I remember clearly during their presentation, that already they were counting on increasing Section 30 money as a result of the military buildup on Guam. If they are now counting on that already, I ask then has there been any discussion with the Calvo administration to let them know that there might be a competing use of those funds?

Congresswoman Bordallo:

I have talked to Governor Calvo about it. He was interested but did not give me any commitment. He said it was an interesting idea.

Senator Rory Respicio:

For the record, the Administration was invited to participate in this hearing.

Senator Aline A. Yamashita:

It is very sad that we continue to be in this situation. I shared with you that we are all hamsters on this treadmill, trying and trying. I appreciate your continual effort. I am pained at the idea of pulling out a loan to pay for monies that are already ours when our island in so many different ways already pays. And yet to honor those who have spilled blood, it seems like such a hardship question. I am always reminded that politically, we don't carry much weight and I think that is the reality. Do you think that Congress will approve the President's budget and everything in it?

Mr. Matt Herrmann:

If the authorization were to pass in Congress and given the current environment that we are in, I think there would be support for an appropriation thereafter.

Senator Aline A. Yamashita:

That is very helpful. Section 30 is a placeholder. That is what we will all be watching because as previous speakers has said, that money is already being used.

Speaker Judith T. Won Pat:

We understand the constraints and "rules" set by the republicans in terms of what bills would even have a public hearing. This concerns me that we are taking the additional monies that will come to the government. It is like robbing Peter to pay Paul. The concern is setting precedence. Congressman Kilili Sablan mentioned something about a Covenant 702 and these are money that is due to CNMI. I had called him after that conference we had and asked him if anyone has ever asked you to dip into the 702 money and he said yes. But he did not want to. But it does not necessarily mean that others want to tap into those monies setting the same example for Section 30 monies. There no guarantee that will always be protected. There is another example which we are benefiting from which is the Department of Defense actually asked to reduce their budget transfer identify millions of dollars for the Port of Authority and that too can come from the Department of Defense by reducing their budget by \$100 million dollars and that amount is miniscule .01% even of their budget that could be another example or an alternate route or request that the President submits that in his overall budget. When you say this is an authorization using Section 30 monies, but the appropriation could be Section 30 monies could be other sources?

Congresswoman Bordallo:

Yes. Once it's with the administration, it would be an appropriation.

Senator Frank B. Aguon, Jr.:

My initial reaction talking to some of my staff members when this proposal first went out was why would you want to consider using funds that otherwise belongs to the people? Listening to some of the discussions of some of the representatives from the House leaders and from your office. For even this discussion to commence in the house, something has to be done. If this is the way the legislation has to be formulated, so ultimately it opens that door, to allow the authorization. Looking at how this process has to

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proceed, I have a much better understanding of that. It comes down to something I had shared with you and the Senators that were there is that in all this 30, 40 plus years, it has always been war reparations for the people of Guam. From my perspective this is payment originating from the federal government to own up to this obligation. I hope as this process proceeds, that at the end of the day, an alternative funding source could be identified.

Congresswoman Bordallo:

I thank the Legislature. This is something we are not pleased with, I'm not pleased with it, and it's the last resort. But if this should fail, in the U.S. Congress after all this effort and taking these precious Section 30 monies that belong to us, to try to offset the costs, of our people that suffered in WWII, then we can say we have done everything in our effort. I want the senior citizens and the manamko' know that I promised this when I first ran for Congress and we care so much that everyday there are deaths. This has gone through the House five (5) times so many republicans supported me in this and their leaders have even said this is not one of our bills but they did it anyway. I have many friends that will support me but now I am not sure because majority of the House is republican.

Senator Rory Respicio:

Thank you Congresswoman for your participation and for explaining your reasons behind the use of Section 30 monies as an offset. You had every single member of the Legislature attend this hearing tonight. You have full participation from this Legislature. I just want to make it clear that I believe that we can present you with something that will help you procedurally and help you move this bill forward. You have come before this Legislature to agree and to recognize that this is a slippery slope and that we are going to proceed with caution. As we proceed, I want to make it clear that this Legislature and the community supports to putting this issue to closure.

Mr. Juan P. Diaz:

Mr. Juan P. Diaz provided oral testimony in favor of this resolution. He noted that he would like to resolve the idea of sovereignty and he is not waiting for the Section 30 money. He supports this resolution and would like to wait and see what happens.

Former Speaker Joe T. San Agustin:

Former Speaker Joe T. San Agustin provided oral and written testimony on Resolution 4-32 (COR). For the record, Speaker San Agustin stated that he qualifies to be a WWII survivor. He noted that for over ten (10) years in his capacity as a public servant, he as appeared before numerous Congressional Committees asking the U.S. Government to fulfill her agreed financial obligations. He stated that our Delegate has introduced federal legislation to allow future Section 30 funding to "fund war claims", thereby effectively reducing the funds to be deposited into the Treasury of Guam. He explained that in other words, the people of Guam would fund the "war claims", possibly at the expense of less funds available to fund vital local governmental needs. (See attached for written testimony).

Mr. Eloy Hara:

Mr. Eloy Hara provided oral testimony in opposition of Resolution No. 4-32 (COR). He stated that he would like to close this horrible chapter of Guam. He noted that if we want this war reparations to die, then don't support our Congresswoman. He thanked Senator San Nicolas for his suggestion and noted that he has tremendous foresight worth exploring.

Mr. Ben "Fa'et" Garrido:

Mr. Vicente Garrido provided oral testimony in support of Resolution No. 4-32 (COR) and asked if we are all here for real or for formality? He noted that the remaining survivors are all going to pass away soon and that we need to find the funding to pay the war reparations.

Mr. Jose Garrido:

Mr. Jose Garrido provided oral testimony in support of Resolution 4-32 (COR) and noted that war reparations has nothing to do with what Congress thinks is the moral thing to do. He stated that Congress does not recognize this need to pay off war reparations for the survivors and that this is a crime against humanity.

Senator Rory Respicio:

There is a recommendation to amend the resolution to provide that identifying Section 30 funds is for purposes of identifying it to find an offset or a placeholder as presented by Congresswoman Bordallo. As originally introduced, I thought that the resolution made it clear that using Section 30 funds does not fulfill the requirement of justice.

Senator Rory Respicio:

Opened the floor to senators for follow-up question then thanked the panel for testifying and the senators present at the hearing.

No further testimony being offered, Senator Respicio then declared that **Resolution No. 4-32 (COR)** was duly heard.

III. WRITTEN TESTIMONY

Speaker Joe T. San Agustin submitted written testimony on Resolution No. 4-32 (COR) which was summarized above. (See attached for written testimony).

<u>IV. FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS</u> The Committee on Rules, Federal, Foreign & Micronesian Affairs, and Human & Natural Resources; and Election Reform hereby reports out **Resolution No. 4-32** (COR) with the recommendation <u>TO PASS</u>.

I MINA TRENTAI DOS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN 2013 (FIRST) Regular Session

Resolution No. 4-32 (COR)

Introduced by:

R.J. RESPICIO
J.T. Won Pat Ed.D.
B.J.F. Cruz
M.F.Q. San Nicolas
T.C. Ada

Relative to renewing Guam's call for justice and War Reparations for victims of the occupation of Guam by Japanese forces during WWII, and to assert that the use of Section 30 fund for this purpose does not fulfill the requirements of justice.

1 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF I MINA'TRENTAI 2 DOS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN: 3 WHEREAS, the island of Guam was acquired by the United States in 1898 as a 4 consequence of the Spanish American War; and 5 WHEREAS, the people of Guam suffered greatly during the Japanese occupation 6 of the island during World War II; and 7 WHEREAS, a treaty between the United States and Japan foreclosed claims by 8 Guam inhabitants who suffered as U.S. nationals during World War II, and the United 9 States government assumed responsibility for War Reparations claims; and 10 WHEREAS, this responsibility has not been discharged as a consequence of 11 difficulties in obtaining adequate appropriated funding from Congress; and 12 WHEREAS, securing War Reparations has been a goal of this community and of 13 Guam's Delegates to the House of Representatives beginning with Delegate Antonio B.

1 Won Pat, who in 1983, sponsored legislation to establish a "commission to review the

2 facts and circumstances surrounding Guamanian losses caused by the occupation of

- Guam by Japanese Imperial forces in World War II;" and
- WHEREAS, this cause was championed by Delegate Won Pat's successors -
- 5 Delegates Ben Blaz and Robert Underwood who also pursued legislation to establish a
- 6 federal commission to review the war claims of the people of Guam in addition to other
- 7 efforts to secure War Reparations; and
- 8 WHEREAS, in 2002, House Resolution 308 sponsored by Delegate Robert
- 9 Underwood was signed into law by President George W. Bush, thus establishing the
- 10 Guam War Claims Review Commission to examine the war claims of the people of
- 11 Guam; and

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- 12 WHEREAS, in 2003, the Guam War Claims Review Commission held public
- 13 hearings at the Guam Legislature Session Hall, where they heard from one hundred
- four (104) people including survivors, relatives of survivors, government officials and
- 15 historians, most of the testimonies coming from survivors relaying horrific incidents of
- 16 murder, beatings, rape, and torture of the people of Guam during the occupation; and
- WHEREAS, in 2004, after extensive research, review, discussion and analysis, the
- 18 Guam War Claims Review Commission found that the United States has a moral
- 19 obligation to pay compensation for war damages suffered by Guam residents during
- World War II, the Commission recommending that \$25,000 be paid to the descendents
- 21 of those who were killed during the war, and \$12,000 be paid to each person who was a
- resident of Guam during the Japanese occupation; and
- WHEREAS, the recommendations of the Guam War Claims Review Commission
- 24 have yet to be implemented because of continued resistance by the U.S. Congress to

1 appropriate the necessary funding to address this injustice; and

2 WHEREAS, in 2013, Delegate Madeleine Bordallo has reportedly introduced 3 legislation in the U.S. House of Representatives to fund War Reparations for the people 4 of Guam with Section 30 funding which, since the creation of the democratically elected 5 self-government for Guam, has been reserved to be appropriated to the Government of 6 Guam to fund education, health, public safety and other public services for the people 7 of Guam; and 8 WHEREAS, on its face, Delegate Bordallo's legislation calls for paying War 9 Reparations due the people of Guam by subtracting other funding for Guam that has 10 been continuously appropriated to Guam for over sixty (60) years now; and 11 WHEREAS, bond covenants secured by Section 30 funding are subject to 12 collections based on the Federal Income Tax rate, and that changes to this rate may 13 require future Section 30 funds to ensure the solvency of these bonds; and 14 WHEREAS, the provision to allow future Section 30 funding to fund war claims 15 may expose the government and the people of Guam to default risk, thereby putting the 16 credit rating and credit worthiness of the people of Guam at risk; and 17 WHEREAS, this approach would effectively deny the people of Guam the 18 justice that has been consistently sought by Guam's people and elected representatives 19 since Delegate Won Pat first introduced a War Reparations bill in 1983; now therefore 20 be it 21 **RESOLVED**, that I Mina'Trentai Dos na Liheslaturan Guahan, on behalf of the 22 people of Guam, does hereby reiterate its call for War Reparations for the victims of the 23 Japanese Occupation of Guam during WWII as a matter of justice, as called for by the

federal Guam War Claims Review Commission, and does further assert that

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requirements of justice are not fulfilled when the victims of this injustice are asked to pay compensation for their own suffering; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to the Honorable Madeleine Z. Bordallo, Guam's Delegate to the United States Congress; and to the Honorable Edward B. Calvo, I

7 Maga'lahen Guahan.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF I MINA TRENTAL DOS A NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE ___ DAY OF JANURARY 2013.

JUDITH T. WONPAT, Ed.D Speaker RORY J. RESPICIO Chairperson, Committee on Rules

TINA ROSE MUÑA-BARNES Legislative Secretary

I MINA'TRENTAI DOS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN 2013 (FIRST) Regular Session

Resolution No. 04-32 (COR) As amended by the author

Introduced by:

R. J. Respicio J.T. Won Pat, Ed.D. B.J.F. Cruz M.F.Q. San Nicolas T.C. Ada

Relative to renewing Guam's call for justice with respect to War Reparations and calling for action by the U.S. Congress on this issue, and utilizing offsets such as the unpaid federal obligation for the impact of the Compacts of Free Association, in order to appropriate such sums as may be necessary for this purpose, and to address other concerns of the People of Guam.

BE IT RESOLVED BY I MINA'TRENTAI DOS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN:

- WHEREAS, the island of Guam was acquired by the United States in
- 4 1898 as a consequence of the Spanish American War; and
- 5 **WHEREAS**, the people of Guam suffered greatly during the Japanese
- 6 occupation of the island during World War II; and
- WHEREAS, a treaty between the United States and Japan foreclosed
- 8 claims by Guam's inhabitants who suffered as U.S. nationals during World
- 9 War II, and the United States government assumed responsibility for War
- 10 Reparations claims; and
- 11 WHEREAS, nearly 70 years have passed since the liberation of
- 12 Guam, and the settlement of War Reparations claims has not been

1 discharged as a consequence of difficulties in obtaining adequate

2 appropriated funding from Congress; and

WHEREAS, securing War Reparations has been a goal of this community and of Guam's Delegates to the House of Representatives beginning with Delegate Antonio B. Won Pat, who in 1983, sponsored legislation to establish a "commission to review the facts and circumstances surrounding Guamanian losses caused by the occupation of Guam by Japanese Imperial forces in World War II;" and

WHEREAS, in 2002, House Resolution 308 sponsored by Delegate Robert Underwood was signed into law by President George W. Bush, thus establishing the Guam War Claims Review Commission to examine the war claims of the people of Guam; and

WHEREAS, in 2003, the Guam War Claims Review Commission held public hearings at the Guam Legislature Session Hall, where they heard from one hundred four (104) people including survivors, relatives of survivors, government officials and historians, most of the testimony coming from survivors relating horrific incidents of murder, beatings, rape, and torture of the people of Guam during the occupation; and

WHEREAS, in 2004, after extensive research, review, discussion and analysis, the Guam War Claims Review Commission found that the United States has a moral obligation to pay compensation for war damages suffered by Guam residents during World War II, the Commission recommending that \$25,000 be paid to the descendents of those who were killed during the war, and \$12,000 be paid to each person who was a resident of Guam during the Japanese occupation; and

1 WHEREAS, the recommendations of the Guam War Claims Review

2 Commission have yet to be implemented because of continued resistance

3 by the U.S. Congress to appropriate the necessary funding to address this

4 injustice; and

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5 WHEREAS, in 2013, Delegate Madeleine Bordallo introduced in the

6 U.S. House of Representatives, authorization legislation providing War

7 Reparations for the people of Guam, namely H.R. 44, the "Guam World

8 War II Loyalty Recognition Act;" and

9 WHEREAS, as the means to implement War Reparations payments,

10 H.R. 44 identifies additional Section 30 funding above fiscal year 2012

11 funding levels which, since the creation of the democratically elected self-

government for Guam, has been reserved to be appropriated to the

Government of Guam to fund education, health, public safety and other

14 public services for the people of Guam; and

15 WHEREAS, based on testimony provided by Delegate Bordallo to

the Committee on Rules, Federal, Foreign, and Micronesian Affairs,

17 Human and Natural Resources, and Election Reform on January 31, 2013, it

is the understanding of I Liheslaturan Guåhan that H.R. 44 is only the first

step in the process of securing Congressional action on War Reparations,

and questions regarding the funding source will ultimately not be resolved

until the actual appropriation language for this purpose is taken up by the

22 Congress; and

WHEREAS, the rules of the Republican-led U.S. House of

Representatives require that all legislation that must be funded requires an

offset, and I Liheslatura finds that, consideration should be given to

26 utilizing the unpaid federal obligation for the impact of Compact of Free

Association citizens ("Compact Impact") as an offset for purposes of 1

funding War Reparations; and

2 3 WHEREAS, I Liheslatura finds that the unpaid compensation for Compact Impact due the People of Guam should also be used as an offset 4 to fund appropriations that would correctly address other needs of Guam 5 that have arisen because of federal policies which have produced 6 inequitable treatment of the People of Guam with respect to federal 7 8 programs, including the retention by the Navy of water resources that 9 should properly be incorporated in an island-wide water system; and 10 WHEREAS, I Liheslatura finds that while Guam does not currently 11 have a unified waterworks system, the success of our island's unified power system should lead to discussions with the Department of the Navy 12 13 to consolidate the separate waterworks systems under the Guam 14 Waterworks Authority (GWA); and WHEREAS, in lieu of full payment to the People of Guam for the 15 adverse impact on the public safety system as a consequence of the 16 Compacts of Free Association (48 USC § 1901), I Liheslatura finds that, in 17 18 order to relieve overcrowding in the local prison system from the 19 incarceration of non-law abiding citizens of the Freely Associated States, 20 these Pacific island residents traveling to Guam as provided under the Compacts of Free Association, improved funding should be provided for 21 22 federal immigration enforcement efforts in Guam and construction of a 23 suitable prison facility within the Federated States of Micronesia, both as

measures to facilitate the repatriation of FAS citizens whose crimes require

incarceration, or for deportation; and

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1	WHEREAS, the offsets to these unpaid debts should serve to satisfy						
2	other needs of the people of Guam, including, but not limited to, securing						
3	title to Fena Lake, waiver of the local match for some federal programs, and						
4	funding the federal share of the Medicaid expansion, now, therefore, be it						
5	RESOLVED, that I Mina' Trentai Dos na Liheslaturan Guåhan, on						
6	behalf of the people of Guam, does hereby reiterate its call for War						
7	Reparations for the victims of the Japanese Occupation of Guam during						
8	WWII as a matter of justice, as provided by the federal Guam War Claims						
9	Review Commission; and be it further						
10	RESOLVED, that I Liheslatura does further assert its support for						
11	Delegate Bordallo's renewed efforts to secure action by the U.S. Congress						
12	to fund this and other obligations of the federal government; and be it						
13	further						
14	RESOLVED, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee						
15	on Rules certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof,						
16	and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to the Honorable						
17	Madeleine Z. Bordallo, Guam's Delegate to the United States Congress; and						
18	to the Honorable Edward B. Calvo, I Maga'lahen Guåhan.						
	DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE OF RULES OF I MINA'TRENTAI DOS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN OF THE DAY OF MARCH, 2013.						
	JUDITH T. WONPAT, Ed.D RORY J. RESPICIO Speaker Chairperson, Committee on Rules						

TINA ROSE MUÑA-BARNES Legislative Secretary

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January 31, 2013

To: Senator Rory J. Respicio

Chairman

Committee on Rules; Federal, Foreign & Micronesian Affairs; Human & Natural Resources; and Election Reform

32nd Guam Legislature

From: Cecilia C. Quintanilla

Resident of Mangilao

734-5064

RE: Testimony on Resolution 4-32 (COR)

I support Resolution No. 4-32 (COR) "RELATIVE TO RENEWING GUAM'S CALL FOR JUSTICE AND WAR REPARATIONS FOR VICTIMS OF THE OCCUPATION OF GUAM BY JAPANESE FORCES DURING WWII, AND TO ASSERT THAT THE USE OF SECTION 30 FUND FOR THIS PURPOSE DOES NOT FULFILL THE REQUIREMENTS OF JUSTICE."

When I was a little girl, my family and I suffered through the Japanese Occupation on Guam. My five siblings and I experienced a very difficult upbringing during the war. I had witnessed my parents, namely my mother being abused and slapped by the Japanese soldiers. Growing up, my two older brothers were taking care of my siblings and I. We had to survive and find our own food. My brothers would hunt for us or try ways in order to sustain us. I also remember seeing many dead bodies walking to the concentration camp in Manenggon. My family and I had a hard life and I was lucky that I did not die.

I believe that victims of the war should be compensated justly. Using Section 30 funds to pay out war reparations does not do justice for the people who endured a lot of pain and suffering.

Thank you!



DEPUTY SECRETARY OF DEFENSE 1010 DEFENSE PENTAGON **WASHINGTON, DC 20301-1010**

The Honorable Carl Levin Chairman Committee on Armed Services United States Senate Washington, DC 20510

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Dear Mr. Chairman:

The Department of Defense appreciates the opportunity to present the following comments for consideration regarding the Guam World War II Loyalty Recognition Act.

The Department has reviewed H.R. 5136, the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2011 and supports Title XVIII, the Guam World War II Loyalty Recognition Act. This Act recognizes the suffering and loyalty of the residents of Guam during the occupation of their island by Japanese military forces in World War II and provides for appropriate compensatory payments. As you are aware, S. 3454, currently under consideration, does not have a similar provision. The inclusion of Title XVIII in the final legislation would provide closure for the people of Guam who endured unimaginable hardship, but who never lost faith in the United States.

The Department of Defense believes the inclusion of Title XVIII in the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2011 would be consistent with the findings and recommendations of the Guam War Claims Review Commission. This Commission, established by P.L. 107-333 and appointed by the Secretary of the Interior in September 2003, issued its final report in June 2004.

The Commission, after an exhaustive review of historical records, public hearings, and a conference of legal experts on the matter, found that Guam's residents were inequitably treated under the Guam Meritorious Claims Act of 1945 (P.L. 79-224) and subsequent Federal laws meant to address personal injury claims resulting from the Japanese occupation of Guam during World War II.

The proposed legislation would authorize the U.S. Foreign Claims Settlement Commission to be the adjudicating body for any additional claims and for final determination of awards. Payment of the claims certified by the Foreign Claims Settlement Commission would be made by the Secretary of the Treasury, subject to the availability of appropriations for such purpose.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide these views on the legislation.



BARACK OBAMA: LEADERSHIP FOR GUAM

Growing up in Hawaii, Barack Obama understands firsthand the unique concerns of the Pacific Islanders. As president, he will make sure these issues are addressed with the full commitment of the federal government. Obama has built a record in the U.S. Senate of support for Pacific Islanders – from advocating for Guam War claims to addressing the health care challenges that face Pacific Island communities, to recognizing the status of Native Hawaiians. Obama recognizes the U.S. has a special relationship with Guam and the Chamorro people.

Military Build-Up on Guam: Barack Obama understands the genuine concerns many people have about the military build up. In an Obama administration, the voices of the people of Guam will be heard and their needs considered as part of any increased military investment on the island. Social and cultural concerns should be given equal consideration to economic concerns as the future of the U.S. military presence in Guam is planned. As president, Obama will work to strike a balance which ensures both that the people of Guam benefit and that our national security interests in the Pacific are protected.

To deal with specific economic development issues associated with the military build-up, Obama will:

- Support local hiring preferences and community benefit agreements to ensure training and apprenticeship opportunities on federally funded construction projects. He believes that federal procurement of goods and services must be an opportunity for local Guam entrepreneurs and small businesses. He is committed to enforcing competitive bidding on government contracts with appropriate competitive small business set-asides to assist Guam's small businesses. Active participation by Guam employees and Guam contractors should be a priority.
- Ensure the investments that will be made and the skills developed will be transferable to civilian purposes as well as military purposes. Guam has significant civilian infrastructure needs. The improvement of transportation, power, water, and waste disposal systems -- as well as residents trained in the technologies to develop these systems -- will help Guam diversify its economic base. The goal for Guam is an economy that is not too dependent on any one sector and is resilient even as the tourism industry fluctuates and as nature periodically rears its destructive forces on the island.

Compact-Impact Reimbursements: The federal government owes Guam hundreds of millions of dollars in the form of compact-impact reimbursements. The leadership of Congresswoman Madeleine Bordallo on this issue has shown that there are creative ways in which this issue may be addressed. President Bush missed an opportunity to offset past unreimbursed Compact Impact expenses against current GovGuam obligations to the federal government. There may be an opportunity to revisit this as part of the 2009 renegotiation of the Compacts of Free Association with the Republic of Palau, and Obama looks forward to working with Congresswoman Bordallo at that time to address these issues.

Health Care: Guam is experiencing a health care crisis largely due to insufficient resources to serve every patient. The only hospital on Guam lacks the proper hospital beds, emergency room space, and funding for medical equipment that it needs. Obama supports efforts to improve health care for Guam and ensure that they get the much-needed relief and hospital resources to meet the needs of the island's growing population. In the U.S. Senate, Obama cosponsored legislation that put new emphasis on health disparities by directing the Department of Health and Human Services to collect and report health care data by race and ethnicity, as well as by geographic and socioeconomic status and level of health literacy.

K-12 Education: Many of Guam's schools are in a state of disrepair and continually lack the funding to adequately educate Guam's 30,000 youth. An Obama administration will be committed to working with the local school districts in the territories, and the Guam Public School System, to ensure adequate funding and the flexibility of consolidation under the No Child Left Behind Act to meet targeted needs. Flexibility in the system is key to providing all of our children the education necessary to prepare them for the challenges of the 21st Century.

War Reparations: After 32 months of occupation by Imperial Japan, U.S. forces liberated Guam in 1944. The U.S. Congress passed a law intending to provide relief to the people of Guam, but that relief never came. In 2004, the Guam War Crimes Commission presented a report finding the people of Guam failed to receive the compensation promised to them. The House of Representatives took an important step toward that end last year when it passed the Guam World War II Loyalty Recognition Act. Senator Patrick Leahy (D-VT), Chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee and a strong supporter of Obama, has worked to move this important bill through the Committee to ensure passage in the Senate and ultimately make good on the promises made to the people of Guam over 64 years ago.

Safeguard the Pacific Islands from Disasters: Barack Obama supports efforts to strengthen the federal government's Pacific Tsunami Warning Center. He also has been a vigorous advocate of bolstering our nation's ability to respond to acts of terrorism and natural disasters, including typhoons, in a swift and effective manner. As president, he will work to ensure that the Pacific Islands are adequately prepared for disasters.



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Growing up in Hawaii, I learned firsthand about the unique issues facing Pacific island communities, while also appreciating the wonderful traditions of Pacific islanders. As a candidate to be the first President of the United States born and raised in the Pacific, I am determined to bring about real change for the people of Guam.	Find Events Host an Event Manage my Events
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from Washington. That's why we have extended our grassroots movement to Guam, where we've opened a campaign office, put a leadership team in place that was born and raised on Guam, and drawn support from elected officials and community leaders from across the island.	Messages
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On Monday, we presented a comprehensive policy agenda to make sure that Washington works better for Guam. As President, I will ensure that the people of Guam are heard during any military build-up, and make investments	View All Blogs Search All Blogs
that lead to more jobs, improved infrastructure, and lasting development on the island. I'll also work with Congresswoman Bordallo to address Compact Impact reimbursements, while extending access to quality health	Resources

My commitment to making these changes is backed by a record of working for Pacific islanders in the Senate. I've stood up for Guam War claims, recognized the status of Native Hawaiians, and worked to tackle the unique health care challenges that Pacific island communities face.

That's why it's so disappointing that some have chosen to play politics and question my commitment to critical issues related to Filipino veterans. Because as a native son of Hawaii – and grandson of a World War II veteran – I know that the patriotism of Pacific islanders is rooted in shared values and the legacy of shared sacrifices during World War II.

Let me set the record straight. I co-sponsored the Filipino Veterans Equity Act in the Senate because I believe deeply that we must honor the heroic sacrifices of Filipinos who fought side by side with Americans on behalf of freedom. My staff stayed in close contact with key national organizations like the American Coalition for Filipino Veterans as well as the National Alliance for Filipino Veterans Equity, which heralded my support "at a critical juncture for this bill."

Earlier last year I was proud to join my friend Chairman Daniel Akaka in voting to pass key elements of this important measure out of the Senate Veterans' Affairs Committee and send it to the full Senate as part of an omnibus package of long overdue benefits for our veterans. I was on the campaign trail when the Senate voted on final passage of this measure, but since the bill passed with a comfortable margin, I knew my vote was not needed.

I strongly support swift action on getting this package, the Veterans' Benefits Enhancement Act (S.1315), sent to the president for signature. This bill finally provides Filipino veterans and their survivors with the benefits that they were promised, and that they bravely earned in battle, Indeed, throughout my time in the Senate, I have fought to increase care and benefits for our veterans and their families And I will continue to fight to ensure we are keeping that sacred trust.

The United States has a special relationship with Guam and the Chamorro people. But under Democratic and Republican administrations, Washington has failed to keep its promises to the people of Guam. If you support me on May 3rd, we can finally bring about the change that is needed in Washington to benefit the people of Guam. If you stand for change, I will stand up for you as President.

Barack Obama

Senator U.S. Senate

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In my travels, I have met people from all walks of life – all ages, all races, all socio-economic groups – who have come together to push for change. As we move forward and work for change, our effort to reclaim the American dream will not succeed unless we also look back and learn from our common histories.

Our common histories are sometimes painful. World War II tested people across the globe. After the Japanese bombed Pearl Harbor, my grandfather was one of many Americans who took up arms and marched in Patton's army. My own grandmother was a real-life "Rosie the Riveter," working on a bomber assembly line. My grandfather, fortunately, returned home to his family, but many Americans didn't, and those years of absence and loss were clearly ones of sacrifice.

The people of Guam sacrificed much as well. During 32 months of occupation by Imperial Japan, the people of Guam suffered at the hands of a cruel enemy. After liberation by United States forces in 1944, the U.S. Congress passed a law intending to provide relief to the people of Guam. But that relief never quite came through.

That's why in 2004, after years of hearings and research, the Guam War Claims Commission presented a report finding the people of Guam failed to receive the compensation promised so many years before. The Commission recommended that Congress finally provide the relief intended. It is time we make good on the promises made to the people of Guam over 64 years ago.

The House of Representatives took an important step toward that end last year when it passed the Guam World War II Loyalty Recognition Act. That bill, sponsored by Delegate Madeleine Bordallo, will provide much-delayed compensation to the Chamorros who suffered through the occupation. I have urged my friend and Senate colleague, Senator Patrick Leahy, Chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee, to move this important bill through his Committee so we can get this passed in the Senate and onto the President's desk for his signature as soon as

But while this bill will help us address the wrongs of the past, we must not lose sight of the future. We must ensure the young people of Guam have the education, resources, and opportunities necessary to meet the demands of the 21st Century.

We must recharge the Guam economy

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Strong, prosperous

Over the next decade, the U.S. and Japan will invest over \$10 billion in Guam as part of the relocation of U.S. military personnel to Guam from Okinawa, Japan. These public investments can help to create thousands of jobs to help bring down the high unemployment in Guam while also increasing Guam's global competitiveness for tourism, aquaculture, transportation, financial services and other industries.

A strong and prosperous Guam is good for the people of Guam and in the best interests of the United States and countries of the Western Pacific region. To ensure that the new investments help Guam become stronger and more prosperous, and to offset the concerns about the expanded military presence, there are three principles that should guide the new investments in infrastructure and economic development.

First, we must ensure that the local residents are at the front of the line for new jobs and business opportunities. I support local hiring preferences and community benefit agreements to ensure training and apprenticeship opportunities on federally funded construction projects.

I believe that federal procurement of goods and services must be an opportunity for local Guam entrepreneurs and small businesses. I am also committed to enforcing competitive bidding on govamment contracts with appropriate competitive small business set-asides to assist Guam's small businesses. Active participation by Guam employees and Guam contractors should be a priority.

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Second, the investments that will be made and the skills developed should be transferable to civilian purposes as well as military purposes. Guam has significant civilian infrastructure needs. The improvement of transportation, power, water, and waste disposal systems — as well as residents trained in the technologies to develop these systems — will help Guam to diversify its economic base. The goal for Guam is an economy that is not too dependent on any one sector and is resilient even as tourism dollars go through their cycles and as nature periodically rears its destructive force.

Long-term stability

Third, it would be too easy for U.S. and Japanese spending to create a short-term economic expansion for the, island without improving Guam's long-term economic stability, instead, we must ensure that the development is sustainable over the long term, which means not only a world-class infrastructure and globally competitive skills, but also improving the transparency of institutions and the efficiency of services.

Guam's real opportunity is to leverage its strategic location close to fast-growing Asian economies and highpotential tourism assets to make Guam a magnet for greater private investment. The federal government must do its part to help reduce barriers to investment and tourism.

The relationship between the United States and Guam, which dates back to 1898, is rich in history. Having spent much of my childhood in Hawaii, I appreciate the warmth and generosity of Pacific island communities, and I know that warmth binds us together. I lock forward to working with the people of Guam to continue strengthening this bond in the 21st Century.

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Statements re Resolution No. 4-32- --- Jan 31 2013

My name is Joe T. San Agustin- appearing before this Committee to discuss Resolution 4-32 relative to the probable usage of the Section 30 Funds to compensate world war!! survivors on Guam during the Japanese Occupation of Guam, between December 1941 and July 1944.

At the outset, let me state for the records that I qualify to be a world war 11 survivors, since I was between 11 and 14 years old living on Guam during the Japanese occupation. It has been my understanding that compensation should have come from the one who created the situation, namely the Japanese. However, it was my understanding that the United States agreed to assume such responsibilities, thereby relieving the Japanese of such responsibilities.

For over ten years in my capacity as a public servant, I appeared, as well other and many others, before numerous Congressional Committees asking the United States Government to fulfilled her agreed financial obligations. Unfortunately, despite the efforts of the Guam Delegates, starting from the late Honorable Antonio WonPat, General Ben Blaz, Dr. Robert Underwood and Madaleine Bordallo, the authorizing legislation, to date, never got passed in the United Senate.

At this juncture, our current Delegate is suggesting that the funding for such obligations should come from Funds "historically income taxes paid by Federal employees stationed" on Guam, appropriately or authorized by Section 30 of the Guam Organic Act; such funds are deposited into the treasury of Guam and "held in account for the government of Guam in accordance with the annual budgets .."

However, our Delegate has introduced federal legislation to allow future Section 30 funding "to fund war claims", thereby effectively reducing the funds to be deposited into the treasury of Guam. In other words, the people of Guam would fund the "war claims", possibly at the expense of less funds available to fund vital local governmental needs. In a word. "robbing Peter to pay Paul"

Mr. Chairman and members of this Committee the subject matter of funding war claims is a "a policy call or a purely legislative matter", and not a matter of right or wrong. As we all know the Guam Organic Act is a "federal law", which can be amended at will - whether we. the people of Guam agrees or not, such action is proper.

Now, please allow me to point out that it has been over 65 years that the survivors have been waiting to be justly compensated; most of us are now gone and the remaining are in their early 80s or 90s. At this

point , do we as a group "really cares as to the source of such funding"; The real question is "when" , and our hopes, I am afraid are disappearing; Perhaps, it is too late!!

Mr. Chairman, and members of this Committee I respectfully thank you for giving this opportunity to testify .

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As Chairperson of the Committee on Rules, I am forwarding my referral of Res No. 4-32 (COR). Please ensure that the subject resolution is referred, in my name, to the respective sponsor, as shown on the attachment.

I also request that the same be forwarded to all Senators of *I Mina'trentai Dos na Liheslaturan Guåhan*.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact our office at 472-7679.

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January 28, 2013

MEMORANDUM

To:

All Media

From:

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January 24, 2013 NEWS RELEASE For Immediate Release

Public Hearing on War Reparations scheduled for January 31, 2013

Federal Affairs Chairman Senator Rory J. Respicio has scheduled a public hearing on Resolution No. 4-32 (COR) concerning Delegate Madeleine Z. Bordallo's new War Reparations bill, H.R. 44 "Guam World War II Loyalty Recognition Act" for **Thursday**, **January 31, 2013, 5:30 p.m.** in the Guam Legislature's Public Hearing Room.

Congresswoman Bordallo has confirmed that she will be attending the public hearing. The hearing for this resolution was originally scheduled to be heard this past Tuesday, but at the request of Congresswoman Bordallo, was postponed because she was off island. Earlier this month, Bordallo had introduced a bill in Congress that called for using Section 30 funds for Guam in order to pay War Reparations.

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January 18, 2012 NEWS RELEASE For Immediate Release

Public Hearing on War Reparations postponed at Bordallo's request

Federal Affairs Chairman Senator Rory J. Respicio announced today that next week's hearing on Resolution No. 4-32 (COR) concerning Delegate Madeleine Z. Bordallo's new War Reparations bill, H.R. 44 "Guam World War II Loyalty Recognition Act" has been rescheduled at the Congresswoman's request.

In a letter sent to Congresswoman Bordallo, Respicio requested her to personally appear before his legislative committee and afford him enough time to legally announce the new hearing on Resolution No. 4-32 (COR) pursuant to Guam's Open Government Law which requires a 5-Day Notice of the hearing to the public. Earlier this month, Bordallo had introduced a bill in Congress that called for using Section 30 funds for Guam in order to pay War Reparations.

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Attachment: Letter from Honorable Madeleine Z. Bordallo to Senator Rory J. Respicio

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January 17, 2013

The Honorable Rory J. Respicio Chairman Committee on Rules; Federal, Foreign & Micronesian Affairs, Human & Natural Resources: & Election Reform I Mina Trentai Dos Na Liheslaturan Guhan 155 Hesler Place, Ste. 302 Hagatna, GU 96910

Dear Senator Respicio,

I write in response to your e-mail of January 17, 2013 inviting me to testify before your committee on January 22, 2013 on Resolution No. 4-32 (COR) regarding my reintroduction of H.R. 44, the Guam World War II Loyalty Recognition Act. I appreciate your invitation to appear before your committee, but I am unable to attend on this date due to a scheduling conflict; I will be attending the 57th Presidential Inauguration in Washington, D.C. and will be unable to travel to Guam before the hearing date.

I would like to provide testimony to the committee on Resolution No. 4-32 and respectfully request that you postpone the hearing until a date when I will be on Guam. Should you agree, please have your staff contact my District Scheduler, Cecilia Blas, for further coordination of this matter. She can be reached at cecilia.blas@mail.house.gov or at 477-4272.

I appreciate your consideration of this request and your leadership on this issue. I look forward to providing testimony to the committee regarding my work to finally bring a resolution to war claims for our manamko'.

Sincerely,



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Senator Rory J. Respicio < cor@guamlegislature.org>

Mon, Jan 14, 2013 at 5:35 PM

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January 14, 2013

MEMORANDUM

To: All Members

Committee on Rules; Federal, Foreign & Micronesian Affairs, Human & Natural Resources; and Election Reform

From: Senator Rory J. Respicio

Subject: First Notice of Public Hearing – Tuesday, January 22, 2013

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9:00 A.M.

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THIRTY-SECOND GUAM LEGISLATURE

January 17, 2013

MEMORANDUM

To: All Media

From: Majority Leader Rory J. Respicio

COMMITTEE ON RULES; FEDERAL, FOREIGN & MICHONESIAN AFFAIRS;

HUMAN & NATURAL RESOURCES; AND ELECTION REFORM

Subject: 48 HR Notice of Public Hearing – Tuesday, January 22, 2013

Håfa Adai! Please be advised that the Committee on Rules; Federal, Foreign & Micronesian Affairs, Human & Natural Resources; & Election Reform will be conducting a **Public Hearing on Tuesday**, **January 22**, **2013**, **beginning at 9:00 A.M. and 5:30 P.M.**, in the Legislature's Public Hearing Room.

9:00 A.M.

- **Bill No. 2-32** (LS) "AN ACT TO REPEAL AND REENACT SECTION 1105 OF CHAPTER 1, TITLE 2, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO TERM LIMITS FOR SENATORS OF THE GUAM LEGISLATURE." Sponsored by Senator Aline A. Yamashita, Ph.D.
- Bill No. 11-32 (COR) "AN ACT TO ADD A NEW ARTICLE 9, TO CHAPTER 63, AND TO AMEND §5215 OF CHAPTER 5; AND TO AMEND § 63101, TO ADD A NEW (c) AND (d) TO § 63116, AND TO AMEND § 63129 OF CHAPTER 63 OF TITLE 5, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED RELATIVE TO CREATING THE GUAM CORAL AND MARINE LIFE PROTECTION ACT." Sponsored by Vice Speaker B.J. Cruz.

5:30 P.M.

Resolution No. 4-32(COR) - "RELATIVE TO RENEWING GUAM'S CALL FOR JUSTICE AND WAR
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January 17, 2013

<u>VIA E-MAIL</u> madeleine.bordallo@mail.house.gov

Honorable Madeleine Z. Bordallo

Congresswoman U.S. House of Representatives 120 Father Duenas Avenue, Suite 107 Hagåtña, Guam 96910

Subject: Notice of Public Hearing -Tuesday, January 22, 2013, 5:30 P.M.

Dear Congresswoman Bordallo:

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Please do not hesitate to contact me, should you have any questions or concerns. I look forward to your attendance and participation.

Rory L. Respicio



January 17, 2013

VIA E-MAIL jtsa@kuentos.guam.net

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Very truly yours,

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January 17, 2013

VIA E-MAIL benita.manglona@doa.guam.gov

Benita A. Manglona
Director
Department of Administration
Manuel F.L. Guerrero Building
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Hagåtña, Guam 96910

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Very truly yours,

Rory J. Respicio



January 17, 2013

<u>VIA E-MAIL</u> jpcnmacho@revtax.gov.gu

John P. Camacho Director Department of Revenue and Taxation 1240 Army Drive Barrigada, Guam 96913

Subject: Notice of Public Hearing - Tuesday, January 22, 2013, 5:30 P.M.

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SENATOR RORY J. RESPICIO MAJORITY LEADER



January 17, 2013

<u>VIA E-MAIL</u> john.rios@bbmr.guam.gov

John A. Rios Director Bureau of Budget and Management Research P.O. Box 2950 Hagåtña, Guam 96910

Subject: Notice of Public Hearing - Tuesday, January 22, 2013, 5:30 P.M.

Dear Director Rios:

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May J. Respicio



January 17, 2013

<u>VIA E-MAIL</u> kpangelinan@guameda.net

Tamuning, Guam 96913

Karl Pangelinan Administrator Guam Economic Development Authority 590 S. Marine Corps Drive Suite 511 GITC Building

Subject: Notice of Public Hearing - Tuesday, January 22, 2013, 5:30 P.M.

Dear Mr. Pangelinan:

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January 18, 2013

VIA E-MAIL madeleine.bordallo@mail.house.gov

Honorable Madeleine Z. Bordallo Congresswoman U.S. House of Representatives 120 Father Duenas Avenue, Suite 107 Hagåtña, Guam 96910

Subject: Notice of Postponement for Public Hearing scheduled for Tuesday, January 22, 2013 at 5:30 P.M.

Dear Congresswoman Bordallo:

Hafa adai! I would like to inform you that the Committee on Rules; Federal, Foreign & Micronesian Affairs, Human & Natural Resources; & Election Reform will accommodate your request to postpone the hearing on Resolution No. 4-32 (COR), "Relative to renewing Guam's call for justice and War Reparations for victims of the occupation of Guam by Japanese forces during WWII, and to assert that the use of Section 30 funds for this purpose does not fulfill the requirements of justice," which was scheduled for Tuesday, January 22, 2013 at 5:30 P.M.

Please advise me of when you will be on island, and available to personally appear before my legislative committee. Guam's Open Government Law requires a 5-Day Notice of the hearing to the public. I would, therefore, appreciate if your availability affords me enough time to legally announce the public hearing for Resolution No. 4-32 (COR).

Please do not hesitate to contact me, should you have any questions or concerns. I look forward to your attendance and direct participation in this matter.

Very truly yours,





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January 18, 2013

VIA E-MAIL jpcamacho@revtax.gov.gu

John P. Camacho Director Department of Revenue and Taxation 1240 Army Drive Barrigada, Guam 96913

Subject: PUBLIC HEARING ON RESOLUTION NO. 4-32 (COR) - POSTPONED

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Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact my office at 472-7679.

Thank you and Si Yu'os Ma'āsé!

Very truly yours,

Rory J. Respicio



January 18, 2013

<u>VIA E-MAIL</u> john.rios@bbmr.guam.gov

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Very truly yours,



January 18, 2013

MEMORANDUM

To:

All Senators

32nd Guam Legislature

From:

Majority Leader Rory J. Respicio

Subject: PUBLIC HEARING ON RESOLUTION NO. 4-32 (COR) - POSTPONED

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cc:

Sgt. At Arms

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Clerk of the Legislature



PUBLIC HEARING

Thursday, January 31, 2013 • 5:30 PM Legislature's Public Hearing Room • Hagåtña, Guam

AGENDA

- I. Call to Order
- II. Announcements
- III. Item for Public Consideration
- 1. Resolution No. 4-32 (COR) Senator Rory J. Respicio

 "RELATIVE TO RENEWING GUAM'S CALL FOR JUSTICE AND WAR
 REPARATIONS FOR VICTIMS OF THE OCCUPATION OF GUAM BY JAPANESE
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 - IV. Closing Remarks
 - V. Adjournment

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January 24, 2013 NEWS RELEASE For Immediate Release

Public Hearing on War Reparations scheduled for January 31, 2013

Federal Affairs Chairman Senator Rory J. Respicio has scheduled a public hearing on Resolution No. 4-32 (COR) concerning Delegate Madeleine Z. Bordallo's new War Reparations bill, H.R. 44 "Guam World War II Loyalty Recognition Act" for Thursday, January 31, 2013, 5:30 p.m. in the Guam Legislature's Public Hearing Room.

Congresswoman Bordallo has confirmed that she will be attending the public hearing. The hearing for this resolution was originally scheduled to be heard this past Tuesday, but at the request of Congresswoman Bordallo, was postponed because she was off island. Earlier this month, Bordallo had introduced a bill in Congress that called for using Section 30 funds for Guam in order to pay War Reparations.

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UNSWORN DECLARATION: I hereby declare that the foregoing is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief, under penalty of perjury of the laws of Guam, this declaration being sworn and made in lieu of an affidavit pursuant to Title 6 Guam Code Annotated §4308, at the place and date identified herein.



March 25, 2013

The Honorable Madeleine Z. Bordallo Member of Congress 120 Father Dueñas Avenue, Suite 107 Hagåtña, Guam 96910

Subject: Resolution No. 4-32 (COR)

Dear Congresswoman Bordallo:

Hafa Adai! This is to advise you that the Legislature continues its deliberations on Guam Resolution No. 4-32 (COR) regarding HR 44, which you introduced earlier this year to advance the process of securing War Reparations through the U.S. Congress. Your testimony during last month's public hearing on Res. No. 4-32 (COR) was extremely helpful in clarifying your intentions regarding HR 44, and resolved many concerns raised with respect to the use of Section 30 funds as a "placeholder" in order to fulfill the stipulations for such legislation under House of Representatives' rules.

Some members of the Legislature had expressed concerns about the possible precedent that may be established by utilizing Section 30 funds for this purpose. In the constructive dialogue that arose during the public hearing, a number of suggestions were discussed for alternative offsets to Section 30 funds that could conceivably meet the requirements of the rules of the House of Representatives. You expressed an openness to consider any ideas as to how this could be achieved.

Since the hearing, the Committee has been working in consultation with your office to amend Res. No. 4-32 to produce language that would be supportive of your efforts to push War Reparations through Congress. Just last week, Senator V. Anthony "Tony" Ada and I traveled to Washington, D.C. and met with Mr. Allen P. Stayman who is a senior staff member of the U.S. Senate Committee on Energy & Natural Resources. Our discussions focused on the War Reparations issue and other unfunded federal obligations such as the adverse impact of the Compacts of the Freely Associated States.

Because of the Compacts, our community has borne hundreds of millions of dollars in costs to our education, health and public safety systems since the signing of the Compacts more than two decades ago. During this period, actual federal payments to the government of Guam have amounted to only a fraction of the amount due to our people. Furthermore, there are the existing federal matching funds for the Medicaid problem that results in the Government of Guam bearing millions in costs for carrying out this federally-mandated program. This burden will become even greater as the Medicaid expansion required by the Affordable Care Act is implemented.

Hon. Madeliene Z. Bordallo/H.R. 44 March 25, 2013 Page 2

In our meeting with Mr. Stayman, we discussed the possibility of securing funding for the federal match for the Medicaid program, as well as other federal programs, by use of unpaid federal obligations as an offset for this funding. Alternatively, unpaid federal Compact Impact obligations could be utilized as a basis for waiving the local match for federal grant in-kind matching programs that do not have specific entitlement mandates as does the Medicaid program.

It also was suggested that the debt to Guam from unpaid Compact Impact could be exchanged to secure title to Fena Lake, which has long been a policy goal of this community. Other policy proposals discussed dealing with Compact Impact included improved enforcement of the provisions of the Compact for repatriating those convicted of crimes, and building a federal prison in the Federated States of Micronesia.

During the course of our discussions, Mr. Stayman seemed very amenable to these suggestions and expressed the view that they were worthy of consideration. In light of this, the Committee is examining amendments to Res. No. 4-32 that would incorporate these proposals with a further request that your office vigorously pursue adoption of the off-set options in future federal legislation dealing with Guam.

In this regard, we would like to solicit your input, and hopefully your support, on these proposals. As always, you may be assured of continued assistance from us as well as our colleagues, for your diligent efforts on behalf of War Reparations claimants and the cause of justice for our people. *Si Yu'os Ma'åse*.

Very truly yours,

Rory J. Respicio Majority Leader

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V. Anthony "Tony" Ada Minority Leader



Bipartisan effort suggests Compact Impact offset

March 25, 2013 – The Legislative Majority and Minority leaders traveled to Washington, D.C. together last week and their meetings with Congressional staff have resulted in potential solutions to the millions of dollars owed to Guam through the impacts of the Compacts of the Freely Associated States.

Senators Rory J. Respicio and V. Anthony "Tony" Ada held meetings with Allen P. Stayman, a senior staff member of the U.S. Senate Committee on Energy & Natural Resources. Their discussions focused on the War Reparations issue and other unfunded federal obligations such as the adverse impact of the Compacts of the Freely Associated States. The Senators wanted to further discussions on their Resolution No. 4-32 (COR) which was introduced in response to Congresswoman Madeleine Z. Bordallo's HR 44. Bordallo introduced her measure earlier this year to advance War Reparations and the legislation uses the compact amounts owed to Guam as a "placeholder" for War Claims payments.

"In our meeting with Mr. Stayman, we discussed the possibility of securing funding for the federal match for the Medicaid program, as well as other federal programs, by use of unpaid federal obligations as an offset for this funding," the Senators wrote today in a letter to Bordallo. "Alternatively, unpaid federal Compact Impact obligations could be utilized as a basis for waiving the local match for federal grant in-kind matching programs that do not have specific entitlement mandates as does the Medicaid program."

They also discussed the possibility that the debt to Guam from unpaid Compact Impact could be exchanged to secure title to Fena Lake and for other policy proposals such as improved enforcement of the Compact provisions regarding repatriation of citizens convicted of crimes while living on Guam.

"Congresswoman Bordallo's forward thinking with this type of legislation in HR 44 could very well be the silver bullet that will help resolve some of these lingering federal-territorial issues," Respicio said. Senator Ada added, "These meetings speak to the importance of face-to-face interactions with federal officials. I am grateful to have had the opportunity to work side-by-side with Senator Respicio in addressing these critical issues."

For more information, please contact Senator Respicio's office at 472-7679.
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UNSWORN DECLARATION: I hereby declare that the foregoing is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief, under penalty of perjury of the laws of Guam, this declaration being sworn and made in lieu of an affidavit pursuant to Title 6 Guam Code Annotated §4308, at the place and date identified herein.



March 26, 2013

The Honorable Madeleine Z. Bordallo

Member of Congress 120 Father Dueñas Avenue, Suite 107 *Hagåtña*, Guam 96910

Subject: Resolution No. 4-32 (COR)

Dear Congresswoman Bordallo,

We are pleased with your favorable response to our letter of March 25, 2013 regarding the usage of unpaid Compact Impact debt to secure progress on several issues of importance to the community including Fena Lake and War Reparations. The fact that your office is actively pushing these initiatives certainly validates the old adage that "great minds think alike."

We continue to pursue consultations with our colleagues on the final language for Resolution 4-32 (COR) in order to provide support for our efforts to secure War Reparations. We expect the final version of the resolution also will incorporate positions on the use of the unpaid Compact Impact debt to support other policy goals including securing title to Fena Lake, facilitating the repatriation of FAS citizens convicted of crimes, waiver of local match for some federal programs, and obtaining funding for the federal share of the Medicaid expansion that would equal to that offered to the 50 states.

As always, you have our assurances of continued coordination with your office with respect to all federal/territorial issues. We must continue to approach these issues in the spirit of our "One Guam" commitment. Again, thank you for your usual prompt and favorable response. Si Yu'os Ma'åse'!

Very truly yours,

Rory J. Respicio

Penny J. Respias

Majority Leader

V. Anthony "Tony" Ada

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Minority Leader



Respicio and Ada praise Bordallo's "One Guam" effort

March 26, 2013 – The Legislative Majority and Minority leaders are commending Congresswoman Madeleine Z. Bordallo for her commitment to a "One Guam" approach on several issues of importance to our community including Fena Lake and War Reparations.

Senators Rory J. Respicio and V. Anthony "Tony" Ada wrote to Bordallo yesterday recommending a proposal that the hundreds of millions in unpaid reimbursements due to Guam from the Compacts of the Freely Associated States be used to support policy goals that are in the best interest of the people of Guam.

Respicio and Ada responded by thanking Bordallo for her commitment to these issues that they are feel are critical to the progress of our people and our island.

"The fact that your office is actively pushing these initiatives certainly validates the old adage that 'great minds think alike,'" the Senators wrote. "We continue to pursue consultations with our colleagues on the final language for Resolution 4-32 (COR) in order to provide support for our efforts to secure War Reparations. We expect the final version of the resolution also will incorporate positions on the use of the unpaid Compact Impact debt to support other policy goals including securing title to Fena Lake, facilitating the repatriation of FAS citizens convicted of crimes, waiver of local match for some federal programs, and obtaining funding for the federal share of the Medicaid expansion that would equal to that offered to the 50 states."

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UNSWORN DECLARATION: I hereby declare that the foregoing is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief, under penalty of perjury of the laws of Guam, this declaration being sworn and made in lieu of an affidavit pursuant to Title 6 Guam Code Annotated §4308, at the place and date identified herein.

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Dear Majority Leader Respicio and Minority Leader Ada,

Thank you for your continued correspondence on Res. No. 4-32 and my efforts to resolve war claims legislation in Congress. I believe that the latest version of H.R. 44 helps to address the concerns raised by fiscal conservatives in the House and Senate but remain open to looking at other ways to offset the bill's cost. I will continue to work with my colleagues from the other territories to include H.R. 44 in an omnibus territorial package that we hope will also address longstanding concerns relating to the Compacts of Free Association.

I appreciate your continued support of the progress we continue to make on these important federal-territorial issues. I look forward to our continued work together for the people of Guam.

Sincerely,

ADELEINE Z BORDALLO

Member of Congress

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MEMORANDUM

To:

Senator Vicente (Ben) C. Pangelinan Member **Rennae Meno** *Clerk of the Legislature*

Speaker Judith T.P. Won Pat, Ed.D. Member Attorney Therese M. Terlaje Legislative Legal Counsel

Senator Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr. From: Senator Rory J. Respicio

Member

Majority Leader & Rules Chair

Vice-Speaker Benjamin J.F. Cruz Member Subject: Referral of Res No. 4-32 (COR)

Legislative Secretary Tina Rose Muña Barnes Member As Chairperson of the Committee on Rules, I am forwarding my referral of Res No. 4-32 (COR). Please ensure that the subject resolution is referred, in my name, to the respective sponsor, as shown on the attachment.

Senator Frank Blas Aguon, Jr. Member I also request that the same be forwarded to all Senators of *I Mina'trentai Dos na Liheslaturan Guåhan*.

Senator Michael F.Q. San Nicolas Member Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact our office at 472-7679.

Senator
V. Anthony Ada
Member
MINORITY LEADER

Si Yu'os ma'åse!

Senator Aline Yamashita Member (1) Attachments

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I MINA'TRENTAI DOS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN 2013 (FIRST) Regular Session

Resolution No. 4-32(COR)	
Introduced by:	R.J. RESPICIO J.T. Won Pat Ed.D. B.J.F. Cruz M.F.Q. San Nicolas T.C. Ada

Relative to renewing Guam's call for justice and War Reparations for victims of the occupation of Guam by Japanese forces during WWII, and to assert that the use of Section 30 fund for this purpose does not fulfill the requirements of justice.

1 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF I MINA TRENTAI 2 DOS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN: 3 WHEREAS, the island of Guam was acquired by the United States in 1898 as a 4 consequence of the Spanish American War; and 5 WHEREAS, the people of Guam suffered greatly during the Japanese occupation 6 of the island during World War II; and 7 WHEREAS, a treaty between the United States and Japan foreclosed claims by 8 Guam inhabitants who suffered as U.S. nationals during World War II, and the United 9 States government assumed responsibility for War Reparations claims; and 10 WHEREAS, this responsibility has not been discharged as a consequence of 11 difficulties in obtaining adequate appropriated funding from Congress; and 12 WHEREAS, securing War Reparations has been a goal of this community and of 13 Guam's Delegates to the House of Representatives beginning with Delegate Antonio B.

1 Won Pat, who in 1983, sponsored legislation to establish a "commission to review the

facts and circumstances surrounding Guamanian losses caused by the occupation of

3 Guam by Japanese Imperial forces in World War II;" and

WHEREAS, this cause was championed by Delegate Won Pat's successors – Delegates Ben Blaz and Robert Underwood – who also pursued legislation to establish a federal commission to review the war claims of the people of Guam in addition to other efforts to secure War Reparations; and

WHEREAS, in 2002, House Resolution 308 sponsored by Delegate Robert Underwood was signed into law by President George W. Bush, thus establishing the Guam War Claims Review Commission to examine the war claims of the people of Guam; and

WHEREAS, in 2003, the Guam War Claims Review Commission held public hearings at the Guam Legislature Session Hall, where they heard from one hundred four (104) people including survivors, relatives of survivors, government officials and historians, most of the testimonies coming from survivors relaying horrific incidents of murder, beatings, rape, and torture of the people of Guam during the occupation; and

WHEREAS, in 2004, after extensive research, review, discussion and analysis, the Guam War Claims Review Commission found that the United States has a moral obligation to pay compensation for war damages suffered by Guam residents during World War II, the Commission recommending that \$25,000 be paid to the descendents of those who were killed during the war, and \$12,000 be paid to each person who was a resident of Guam during the Japanese occupation; and

WHEREAS, the recommendations of the Guam War Claims Review Commission have yet to be implemented because of continued resistance by the U.S. Congress to

appropriate the necessary funding to address this injustice; and

WHEREAS, in 2013, Delegate Madeleine Bordallo has reportedly introduced legislation in the U.S. House of Representatives to fund War Reparations for the people of Guam with Section 30 funding which, since the creation of the democratically elected self-government for Guam, has been reserved to be appropriated to the Government of Guam to fund education, health, public safety and other public services for the people of Guam; and

WHEREAS, on its face, Delegate Bordallo's legislation calls for paying War Reparations due the people of Guam by subtracting other funding for Guam that has been continuously appropriated to Guam for over sixty (60) years now; and

WHEREAS, bond covenants secured by Section 30 funding are subject to collections based on the Federal Income Tax rate, and that changes to this rate may require future Section 30 funds to ensure the solvency of these bonds; and

WHEREAS, the provision to allow future Section 30 funding to fund war claims may expose the government and the people of Guam to default risk, thereby putting the credit rating and credit worthiness of the people of Guam at risk; and

WHEREAS, this approach would effectively deny the people of Guam the justice that has been consistently sought by Guam's people and elected representatives since Delegate Won Pat first introduced a War Reparations bill in 1983; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that *I Mina'Trentai Dos na Liheslaturan Guahan*, on behalf of the people of Guam, does hereby reiterate its call for War Reparations for the victims of the Japanese Occupation of Guam during WWII as a matter of justice, as called for by the federal Guam War Claims Review Commission, and does further assert that

1 requirements of justice are not fulfilled when the victims of this injustice are asked to 2 pay compensation for their own suffering; and be it further 3 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules 4 certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of 5 the same be thereafter transmitted to the Honorable Madeleine Z. Bordallo, Guam's 6 Delegate to the United States Congress; and to the Honorable Edward B. Calvo, I 7 Maga'lahen Guahan. DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF I MINA TRENTAI DOS A NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON

THE ___ DAY OF JANURARY 2013. JUDITH T. WONPAT, Ed.D RORY J. RESPICIO Speaker Chairperson, Committee on Rules TINA ROSE MUÑA-BARNES

Legislative Secretary