

April 20, 2016

Honorable Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D. Speaker I Mina'Trentai Tres Na Liheslaturan Guåhan **155 Hesler Place** Hagåtña, Guam 96910

VIA: The Honorable Rory J. Respicio Chairperson Commit

RE: Committee Report - The Executive Appointment of Mrs. Lillian Perez-Posadas to serve as a Nurse Member, Guam Memorial Hospital Authority (GMHA), Board of Trustee, Term of six (6) years, from date of Appointment.

**Dear Speaker Won Pat:** 

Transmitted herewith, for your consideration, is the Confirmation Report on The Executive Appointment of Mrs. Lillian Perez-Posadas to serve as a Nurse Member, Guam Memorial Hospital Authority (GMHA), Board of Trustee, Term of six (6) years, from date of Appointment as was referred to the Committee on Health, Economic Development, Homeland Security and Senior Citizens. Confirmation hearing was conducted on April 18, 2016.

Committee votes are as follows:

7	<b>TO CONFIRM</b>
	NOT TO CONFIRM
	ABSTAIN
	TO REPORT OUT ONLY
	TO PLACE IN INACTIVE FILE

Senseramente,

Senator Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr. Chairman

## Attachments

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## COMMITTEE REPORT ON

## The Executive Appointment of Mrs. Lillian Perez-Posadas to serve as a Nurse Member, Guam Memorial Hospital Authority (GMHA), Board of Trustee, Term of six (6) years, from date of Appointment.

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MEMORANDUM

- To: ALL MEMBERS Committee on Health, Economic Development, Homeland Security and Senior Citizens.
- From: Senator Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr. Or Committee Chairperson
- Subject: Committee Report The Executive Appointment of Mrs. Lillian Perez-Posadas to serve as a Nurse Member, Guam Memorial Hospital Authority (GMHA), Board of Trustee, Term of six (6) years, from date of Appointment.

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This report includes the following:

- Committee Voting Sheet
- Committee Report Narrative/Digest
- Copy of Appointment packet
- Public Hearing Sign-in Sheet
- Copies of Submitted Testimony and Supporting Documents
- Copy of COR Referral
- Notices of Public Hearing (1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>)
- Copy of the Public Hearing Agenda
- Related News Articles (Public hearing publication of public notice)

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.

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## COMMITTEE VOTING SHEET

## The Executive Appointment of Mrs. Lillian Perez-Posadas to serve as a Nurse Member, Guam Memorial Hospital Authority (GMHA), Board of Trustee, Term of six (6) years, from date of Appointment.

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## **COMMITTEE REPORT DIGEST**

## I. OVERVIEW

The Committee on Health, Economic Development, Homeland Security and Senior Citizens convened a public hearing on Monday, April 18, 2016 at 2pm in *I Liheslatura*'s Public Hearing Room.

Among the items on the agenda was the consideration of the appointment of The Executive Appointment of Mrs. Lillian Perez-Posadas to serve as a Nurse Member, Guam Memorial Hospital Authority (GMHA), Board of Trustee, Term of six (6) years, from date of Appointment and whose appointment history is as follows:

- Appointed by Governor Edward J.B. Calvo on December 24, 2015.
- Appointment packet forwarded to *I Liheslatura* on December 29, 2015.
- Appointment packet forwarded to this committee for public consideration on December 31, 2015.

## Public Notice Requirements

Notices were disseminated via electronic-mail to all senators and all main media broadcasting outlets on **Monday**, April 11, 2016 (5-Day Notice), and again on **Wednesday**, April 13, 2016 (48-Hour Notice).

## **Senators Present**

Senator Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr.	Chairperson
Senator Tony V. Ada	Vice-Chair
Senator Rory J. Respicio	Member
Senator Tommy Morrison	Member

## II. SUMMARY OF TESTIMONY & DISCUSSION

The Public Hearing was Called-to-Order at 2:06 PM.

Senator Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr: Hafa Adai, Good afternoon to everybody, welcome to your Guam Legislature. The Committee on Health, Economic Development, Homeland Security and Senior Citizen reconvenes this Public Hearing. The time now is 2:06 pm and we're here this afternoon to entertain the Executive Appointment of Mr. Eloy S. Lizama to serve as a General member of the Guam Memorial Hospital Authority (GMHA), Board of Trustees, the Executive Appointment for Mrs. Lillian Perez-Posadas to serve as a Nurse Member, Guam Memorial Hospital, Board of Trustees and the Executive Appointment of Ms. Melissa Y. Waibel to serve

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as a Nurse Member, Guam Memorial Hospital, Board of Trustees. We're also going to be discussing Bill No. 240-33 (COR). I'd like to recognize my Vice-Chairman of the Committee, Senator Tony Ada to my right and also our Chairman for the Committee on Rules and Majority Leader, Senator Respicio, Thank you very much for joining us this afternoon. I'm going to go ahead and I believe those that signed up here signed up for all three (3) nominations so when we do call you up you can go ahead and give your testimony for all three (3) and then after that I'll call each individual nominee forward. So we're going to start with the ladies first, okay. So we'll start with Ms. Melissa Waibel's nomination, Mrs. Lillian Posadas, Mr. Eloy Lizama and Joe Wesley did you want to testify on Melissa Waibel? Or did you just sign up. Good afternoon Mr. Mayor, so if you could please.

(Recognized Mr. Joe Wesley).

**Mr. Joe Wesley:** Buenas Mr. Chairman, Senator Ada, and Senator Respicio. I'm here on behalf also for the people of Santa Rita as a former Mayor for my good friend here, I want to say my little altar boy when he was growing up, to be a Board Member for the Guam Memorial Hospital (GMHA) and also for Ms. Waibel and Mrs. Posadas but right now just knowing her other than that I hope that you all will support them on behalf also for our hospital not only Guam hospital or the people's hospital it's for everyone and for the confirmation for all three (3) of them I want to say thank you for being there for them and also for the support for the people of Guam. So yes, I am in favor for all three (3) of them Mr. Chairman and members.

Senator Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr: Thank you very much Mayor for your testimony. Okay if there's nobody else then I'd like to call the nominees to please come forward. Sorry Dr. Ji did you want to also testify?

Dr. Hyo Sang Ji: I'm just here for support.

Senator Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr: Okay Ms. Waibel, we can go ahead and start with you, I just want to congratulate you for being appointed to the board. Some people may not congratulate you and ask you what are you doing? But I know three (3) of you, some of you more than the others and I know the background you come from and I know your passion and commitment to our people and now especially to our hospital. So you know that I've always said that I've met you when you first were nominated and I asked for indulgence as I was moving forward with the confirmation hearing. At that time we wanted to give the Governor's Administration time to kind of regroup and put a stabilization plan in place and it seems that with their group they believe, it's the HMAT that they have put together that we should be expecting a report soon from them but we feel that it's also time that your expertise and your contribution now be put into that mix

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with the anticipation of that report but also with the report that the task force which I've put together which consists of Government and Private Sector professionals who've looked at the hospital and really looked at a bigger picture and so with that and with the HMAT, report, the Governor's determination to really be able to provide assistance to the hospital. I believe we're on a roll to a real recovery and to really stabilize the hospital. So I wish you well and so after your testimony, you will of course be give the opportunity for any member here to ask any questions. Okay so we'll start with you Ms. Waibel.

(Recognize Ms. Melissa Y. Waibel)

**Ms. Melissa Y. Waibel:** Alright thank you Senator Rodriguez, Senator Ada, and Senator Respicio for the opportunity, I'll read my written testimony and it's really brief as I've put together a really good packet when they first offered this position of a trustee to me.

(Read Written Testimony).

Even though I am an Administrator and a CEO I still put my hands on patients on a regular basis and I think that's important.

(Read Written Testimony).

My current position is as the CEO and Administrator at the Guam Surgicenter which puts me in direct competition with the hospital for their surgical outpatient procedures. Unfortunately, I do a really good job at that which is not in the best interest of the hospital; it's in the best interest of the facility I work for. However, that also means that I can bring some information and some skills and some knowledge to that setting within the hospital. I believe that those two (2) can co-exist quite well. In North Kansas City, where I came from before I took this position, I was in competition with the hospital as well as to myself. So those types of things are possible. That being said, I also believe that I can recues myself when necessary if there's something that is conflicting in nature I am more than happy to say I think that I have a conflict here and I'm sure that the other Board of Trustee members will be very good about monitoring that as well and telling me that this might be something I need to step out for and I'm perfectly willing to do that. (Read Written Testimony).

Senator Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr: Thank you very much Melissa for your testimony and for being very upfront and very truthful. I really appreciate that, you know that we just recently passed and was signed into law a bill that would explore a public-private partnership and you've

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talked about what you're doing now and also your experience in the past back in the states. Because this is just the beginning, we've put an RFI, it's going to explore that possibility, do you see that as your knowledge as someone that will be able to bring that knowledge and that expertise as we move forward in this endeavor?

**Ms. Melissa Y. Waibel:** Yes, I believe I have some insights and some expertise that can be of benefit to the hospital in this particular setting. Whether a joint venture is a good idea, whether private-partnerships like a joint venture are a good idea, I think that there's a lot that I don't know about the hospital because I'm not purview to that information. So until I have all that information I wouldn't know how best to move forward with those things but they do work and state-side, the rational for ambulatory surgery centers to create joint venture partnerships with hospitals was a survival technique. Quite francqually, P. Paka and some of the changes that have occurred in the insurance industry made it almost paramount for outpatient surgical centers like the one we have here to create those kinds of partnerships to kind of help their longevity through those kind of rocky times when you're not quite sure where the reimbursement is going to come from and whether it's going to meet your bottom line needs. So I see that as an absolute possibility that I could bring some information that would be helpful and insightful.

Senator Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr: Great, thank you very much and one thing I just want to state now because there has been some misconceptions that have been put out there in the community and you know this for sure that this is a Government hospital. You've worked for or have knowledge of working together with Government hospitals in the past, GMH is going nowhere, GMH is here to stay, GMH is not for sale, no matter what people may try to inculcate in our people's mind. What we're doing here is ensuring that we have a plan that would, just like you said, that longevity that has that long term sustainability. So just from this short period of time I'm feeling very confident and very pleased that just seeing the three (3) of you that we're going to get there with all our minds put together and all the ideas that we can work on in getting to that point. So thank you very much.

(Recognized Vice-Chairman Tony V. Ada)

Senator Tony V. Ada: Thank you Mr. Chair and Ms. Waibel. Thank you for accepting the Governor's appointment on becoming a Board of Trustee for the Guam Memorial Hospital and I'm glad that you brought up the issue, a conflict of interest but I think in the end when it comes to the health and welfare of our people, I think conflict of interest is what we always put at the back burner and it's to ways to see how we can move forward with the health care and to ensure the sustainability of Guam Memorial Hospital is always first and foremost. I liked that you said, whenever it comes to issues that would even deem a conflict of interest that you would step aside

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and ensure that your fellow trustees know of these issues. With that, I have no issues in supporting your nomination for the Board of Trustees and that you would have my full support and my vote of confidence in moving it forward and I thank you for coming and I know there's going to be a lot of challenging times forward but I think whenever we're placed in a situation that is challenging to the people, we always tend to put our best foot forward and we always put our differences aside in whatever it is we may deem not conducive to the interest of the hospital and to the people that we'll always stay together on those things. So thank you Ms. Waible. Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

## Senator Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr: Thank you Senator Ada.

(Recognized Senator Tommy A. Morrison)

**Senator Tommy A. Morrison:** Good afternoon, I just wanted to thank you for taking the time to do this in a very challenging time and I've met with you several times but this is the first time through the settings of mainly round-table discussions and I've always appreciated your input especially to guide us policy makers with your understanding with this industry and how to make it better. Obviously, this also allows us to look through packets and I know we're focusing on having this confirmation process but I just want to thank you for your involvement in our community and I know you've been here since 2010 as you stated but there's many things, that you've been involved with our community directly and I appreciate your efforts in doing this for our community, I won't go to the whole list, we'll be here awhile but thank you. Thank you Mr. Chair.

Ms. Melissa Y. Waibel: Thank you, that's very kind.

Senator Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr: Thank you Senator Morrison, I believe we've exhaust with everyone up here, but if you could stick around Ms. Waible so that if there's anything that comes up we'll come back to you.

(Recognized Mrs. Lillian Perez-Posadas)

Senator Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr: Again, just like with Ms. Waibel, I just want to again just congratulate you for being nominated and just say, welcome back. You were part of the board that got the hospital accreditation and there was good things happening at that time so just like I said, I look at the three (3) of you and I'm very happy and optimistic that we're going through a path that's going to bring us long term sustainability and so you have our full support going in but I'll give you the opportunity now to make any statements.

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**Mrs. Lillian Perez-Posadas:** Well thank you Senator, I just want to say thank you for giving us this opportunity to engage in a dialogue as far as our role in the Board of Trustee with the Guam Memorial Hospital. I used to work there, that was my regular territory as a nurse and I'm also glad that Melissa Waibel is also going to be appointed and confirmed because it's great that we have another nursing colleague. We have the knowledge and we think alike as nursing colleagues and I'm really glad that she will be confirmed to the Board of Trustees. I have nothing else, you have my background, I used to work there, I graduated from the University of Guam and I've been working for more than thirty (30) years in a variety of health care settings, Public Health, Enacademia at the University of Guam and back at GMH and I retired there in 2006. So a very familiar territory and very familiar with the issues and I'm thankful and honored to be given the opportunity to go back and see what I can do to help out. Thank you.

Senator Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr: Thank you very much. Mr. Lizama, congratulations as well and thank you for stepping up for your service, I'll give you the opportunity to make a statement.

(Recognized Mr. Eloy S. Lizama)

**Mr. Eloy S. Lizama:** I just want to go on record that I'm not a nurse. I think because of that I prepared some statements on my behalf if you would please bear with me.

(Read Written Testimony).

Thank you.

Senator Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr: Great thank you very much Mr. Lizama for your testimony and as I hear from all three (3) of you it really brings that sense of excitement in me because there's really a lot of hope that's filled in this room today because of the passion that I hear from the three (3) of you. So thank very much again, I have a question and any of you can answer, I'm sure I'll open up the floor to all the other Senators. One of the biggest threats to the hospital now is the vendor payables, it's up to about twenty-five-million (\$25,000,000) dollars I believe the last time we checked a few days ago, that's ten to eleven-million (\$10-11,000,000) dollars is local vendors, we've seen this cycle in the past maybe about three (3) years ago where it was the same thing and I'm sure even before my time it was the same, every two (2), three (3), four (4) years you see that cycle happening and so, we're at that point again now, there was an option that we've put on the table which was Bill 240, which was also part of what our discussion is today, that would have authorize tax offsets for these local vendors to be able to do a tax offset on what they need to make in terms as far as their tax payments from what they're owed from the hospital. Unfortunately, there were some concerns that were raised about the potential for us to

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be jeopardizing some sort of bond convenience that was put forward a few years ago when we did the bonds and so that's an issue that we're still trying to get legal clarification on because right now that's the only option on the table, we know the Governor has also suggested financing for vendor payables and other capital improvement projects that hasn't come forward and we're working with him to ensure we can get some sort of plan or option on the table and we're also open to anyone else, any other leader that comes in and puts that option or idea forward. But I just want to ask from you how do you plan to address this now coming in, there's this vendor payables, you're in a private sector, some of our vendors have cut us off already so we're on the third (3<sup>rd</sup>) or fourth (4<sup>th</sup>) tier and for something that would cost one (\$1) dollar, forth (4<sup>th</sup>) and fifth (5<sup>th</sup>) tier is costing about five (\$5) dollars, so that's the biggest problem we've been seeing, so what are some of the immediate steps that you would like to see and do as you guys convene and get a whole board together? Any of you can just start first.

Ms. Melissa Y. Waibel: Okay so that's a tough one, but on the private sector, whenever you have a cash flow problem, the first thing you do is approach your vendors first instead of your vendors approach you. So that they know that there's some good faith here, you've notified ahead of time and even for the tiers that we're looking out further, those individuals know what it really cost them and they know what we're able to pay. So what you do is start negotiating with them about what's realistic and what you can realistically accomplish with them, they would rather get some of the debt than none of it. So that maybe one (1) option in front of us, there are others that we can try and brain storm for possible ways to pay our vendors but it's a downward spiral when you get into that because that kind of information get's out into other vendors which then hurts not only the hospital but it hurts the island because other facilities on the island would also have difficulty because you get tied, I had some of those issues when I first came with Guam Surgicenter with bad debt from the hospital. So it's in all of our interest that the hospital does well and pay its bills on a timely fashion. Perhaps there's other taxes that could be put out there that would help that are tied directly to the hospital. Whether that's through visitors that come, there's small taxes attached to that, or vehicles or other things that we could do that would help to raise funds, that would be a pot that would go directly to hospital payments and those types of things and of course somebody with financial background might better serve that question.

**Mr. Eloy S. Lizama:** You would actually want to demonstrate to the vendors your sincerity in getting them paid and you mentioned, second  $(2^{nd})$  level, third  $(3^{rd})$  and fourth  $(4^{th})$  tier vendors and each time you go up a tier, that price just gets higher and higher because they factor in the fact that they might not get paid on time. So I think what you need to do is demonstrate to the vendors that you're sincere in wanting to pay and manage your cash flows and that's basic

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finance 101, which is to manage your cash flows and I think having read some of the different reports on GMH, that is a challenge because you don't get one-hundred (100%) percent of your collections and so with me I kind of want to go in there and see how it all works and see where things kind of went astray and how the hole just got dug deeper and deeper and try to work from there. None of us are going to walk in there with a twenty-five-million (\$25,000,000) dollar check so we're facing an uphill battle and for me, my first goal is to find out how we got there.

**Mrs. Lillian Perez-Posadas:** If I may, having work there, the biggest problem really is whenever patients come into the hospital and the experience we've had when we had an overflow of new (inaudible) intensive care, babies in nursery, fifty (50%) percent of those babies that come from parents who do not have any type of health insurance or any means to pay for the services, so basic business 101, how do you run a business when fifty (50%) percent of your customers don't have the resources to pay for the services that they receive. So if you go back and I mean it's great that we work for the vendors and show our good faith and effort that we do mean to pay but when we have customers that don't pay, there's got to be a way to subsidize it or someway to reimburse the hospital for individuals or for clients who just don't have the resources.

Senator Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr: Thank you very much for that statement, actually part of the ten (10) point plan of the task force that we put together. One of the very important items on that plan is to establish some sort of universal health care for Guam because you're right, we've looked at the big picture and the problems with the hospital are because you serve people there that don't have any means to pay, so that's an effort that we are working on to ensure that we get about thirty-two-thousand (32,000) of our people health insurance. Whether it be through the employer mandate or through reforming our Medicaid and MIP program, that's an effort that we're pursuing and I look forward to be able to sit with the hospital because that's going to be a big component, the information and being able to direct or to make that connection with our insurance plan and getting the hospital. They're here, they're taking some load off I believe of the hospital, can we expect from this board from at least from the three (3) of you here the expanded relationship with them in terms of working together and seeing how things can work where it benefits the people of Guam?

**Mrs. Lillian Perez-Posadas:** I see it as a join interest for the overall services of the island who need hospitalization, it's really a joint interest, I mean I also worked there for a couple of months but when the Governor's Office called me to serve on the board I relinquished that employment

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there so that I can then serve the board but it is really a join interest here, not anything in competition.

Senator Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr: Absolutely and that's my position as well so I'm going to ask that you really strengthen that because what I'm hearing now is that kind of desire there to do it but it's not really happening. That joint partnership between the three (3) hospitals as a matter of fact, not just GMH and GRMC but even with Naval Hospital, that is something that really needs to be strengthen.

(Recognized Senator Tony V. Ada)

Senator Tony V. Ada: Thank you Mr. Chairman. Mrs. Posadas, we go way back to Coach Posada's days and being part of the water crew at Father Duenas, but it's nice to see that you were a part of the team that brought our hospital to accreditation after many years of being unaccredited and it's nice to see you four (4) here now to help bring our hospital back into days where we can say we're looking into stability in our hospital and the people can have confidence and the care that is given there at the hospital. So it's really nice to see that you're here supporting that mission and just like Ms. Waibel you have my full support and you have my vote of confidence moving forward. Mr. Lizama, it's like glasses, you see things with a new set of eyes and I think that's what you bring to the table which is a new set of eyes coming out from a different work background and I know it's going to be a lot of challenges ahead but the way how the three (3) of you address one (1) issue when the chairman brought up this question about with debt of twenty-five-million (\$25,000,000) dollars and how you guys looked at it. I was just sitting up here saying, wow, we have someone that's been there and people that are just coming in now and when we bring all these great minds together to try and look for a solution to how we can address the issue. It just goes to show that your hearts have always been in a right place and I feel that you guys are the best for this position and Mr. Lizama you have my full support and you have my vote of confidence as well sir. I want to thank all three (3) of you for accepting the Governor's nomination. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

Senator Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr: Thank you very much Senator.

(Recognized Majority-Leader, Senator Rory J. Respicio)

**Majority-Leader, Senator Rory J. Respicio:** Thank you very much Mr. Chair, I waited until the end to join the list and course of congratulations and appreciation to Governor Calvo for recognizing three (3) very strong individuals such as yourselves to join the cadre up there over at the Guam Memorial Hospital. Certainly, going into an organization that needs a lot of help, not

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because they don't have the quality professional people that they have there, the people at GMH goes without saying the Doctors, the nurses, the administrative staff and administration, they're all highly qualified and knowing the individuals there, you can certainly agree with me there with what I'm saying. Unfortunately, they're part of a structure that for lack of a better word needs to be restructured. You pointed out that the Guam Memorial Hospital is our only civilian hospital and individuals cannot be turned away for treatment that's necessary, so they become self-pay who cannot pay then become indigent and so hence the twenty-six-million (\$26,000,000) dollar liability that there and its revolving. As soon as the Legislature finds a way to appropriate money or identify a funding source to GMH, that twenty-five-million (\$25,000,000) dollar liability goes down but it goes back up again and over the years, we've uncovered that maybe there are things that GMH can do in-house to improve collections and it would start with improving the billings and so as Senator Tony V. Ada pointed out, you're not only going there with fresh eye's and new perspective but maybe you're going there as individuals who have to ask the tough questions. The tough questions involving why did the billing system collapse and why was there a period of time where Guam Memorial Hospital couldn't bill to health insurance companies and why was it that the Vice-Speaker had to do a Freedom of Information Act to confirm that there are about ten-million (\$10,000,000) dollars that was not billed to health insurance companies because they weren't billed to health insurance companies and so when you look at the hemorrhage, you look at ten-million (\$10,000,000) dollars here, eight-million (\$8,000,000) dollars there, the fact that there's a six (6%) percent savings when health insurance companies pay on time, take a look at that as board members and see if that's really necessary. I know the health insurance companies have defended that, from time to time, they've infused money into GMH even before they're billed. So that kind of relationship has to be preserved but also, take a look at what those hemorrhages are and that's the only way you can stop the bleeding and that's my only hope for you at the hospital is that you take long hard look at the current structure and ask the tough questions and ask if these incentives are absolutely necessary. Also, the new hospital received a qualifying certificate and so I know we want to have a good relationship with the hospital but we also want to make sure that they're being held to a task with respect to what kind of breaks that they got for the break that they got and there's also a new law that says, any taxes paid by the new hospital should automatically be appropriated to GMH, so that tax revenue, take a look at those instances where the law requires the money to go to GMH and for some reason it's not going to GMH. There's funding sources through the chairman's efforts been identified to give direct revenue to GMH and I don't know if they're current but last we checked they're kind of behind. So good luck and the only way to address these problems is to I don't believe I just said what I said with respect to the savings that the hospital gives to health insurance companies with the fact that they didn't bill

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these insurance companies and then they weren't able to collect because they missed that ninety (90) day window but all we could do is learn from the past and not dwell on the past but learn from those past experiences to better prepare ourselves for how we can capture the revenue that we didn't capture before. So thank you Mr. Chairman.

Senator Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr: Thank you very much Senator.

(Recognized Senator Tommy A. Morrison)

Senator Tommy A. Morrison: Good afternoon, Mrs. Posadas I got to be careful with you because I don't want a spike tire coming from Coach Posadas. Good to see you sir. Anyways, I want to thank you for providing services to the hospital. Mr. Lizama, thank you so much for taking the time out and I appreciate your testimony that you put before us to review. The chairman talked early about the RFI, or the Request For Information process and I've stated publicly, it's a good tool, but I believe that it's a tool that's been underutilized throughout our Government, I have had some experience with the RFI process and I really feel as you stated Mr. Lizama earlier that you need to know how it got there but with the RFI process I felt it was necessary and I support it and the chairman in his effort because I don't know where to begin with the hospital. It will be something at least to provide not only this committee but yourselves some guidance going forward on how to proceed with whatever is necessary to move the hospital forward with these challenges. Have you had any experiences or opportunity to facilitate an RFI process, or Request For Information process that basically, I know you've been with the hospital Mrs. Posadas and that basically would guide or provide some information, assess the areas that are challenged so that you can better and guide you and making a more informed decision going forward with the hospital or I'm sure it happens in the private sector as well but the Government, it's been I believe underutilized tool as we've seen from some experiences with some large scale projects here that we've invested in to come to find out later that we have to invest more in the end, I believe the RFI can possibly give a more clear picture or clarity to how we want to get there. What are your thoughts on an RFI process if you have any experience and this measure moving forward do you believe it's something proceeding in the right fashion so that we talk about joint ventures and possibly public-private partnerships, do you think the first step that we should take?

**Ms. Melissa Y. Waibel:** For me, without knowing some of the other information is, data collection is always good. It's never going to hurt you to get more information on what's out there, what's possible, we don't have to reinvent the wheel either, there's a lot of other hospital systems that have had similar situations that this one has and have come out ahead and others who have not and so going out and getting data is always really helpful. It doesn't mean that it

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fits this microcosm because Guam is very different from any place else but the more information we have and that information gathering is going to be very beneficial to us to be able to review and see, none of us sees everything, so it's really nice to have other insights that come into that and we all have different perspectives and different backgrounds and we look at things in a different way and hopefully other information is going to fill in holes that we didn't see either, so I think that's beneficial in the long run even if we don't take information in that and run with that, it's still going to run a basis for building what information we have when moving forward to provide the best possible hospital for Guam and its people that could be developed anyways because that's my hospital too. I'm going to have to go there for care also so I want the best people, the best resources, and the best things available and it's an uphill battle, we all know that. I would love to say that we're going to walk right in there and next month everything is going to be great but there's going to be a lot of blood, sweat and tears before we even see positive movement when you're getting out of a hole that big. Unfortunately, I do have experiences in being in holes and getting out of them, they're not comfortable and in general, they take longer than you really planed for because there are always glitches that come up. That's just my take.

**Mrs. Lillian Perez-Posadas:** As a former Board Member, there are subcommittees before the general board meetings and so those various subcommittees we then get information that we need in order to make a decision as far as what the issues are to present then to the bigger body of the board. So get data information, it's always readily available when we request for it as Board Members.

**Mr. Eloy S. Lizama:** I've had experience with RFI's when I was with Shell. When we announced the plan for divestment and it was interesting, we had companies from Singapore, Hawaii, Australia, and even China expressed interest in the company and it was when you engaged these other companies and you realized that the decision to leave Guam wasn't exactly a bad decision because you had another company out there who had a different business model and made it work and when IP&E holdings acquired Shell, both Shell and IP&E holdings are now better companies because of that. Otherwise, if Shell would of stayed here, we'd be kind of like GMH, trying to find money to reinvest in our assets and trying to make the business model work. With the RFI, we actually realized there's another way to do things.

**Senator Tommy A. Morrison:** Thank you for your response, I just wanted to get your thoughts on this and we just wrapped up on the last session with that issue and it was a very great dialogue from me and I believe, even for myself I would like to know from the RFI process exactly what's out there really that can best serve our hospital but you have my full support and I'm very encourage seeing this panel before us and I look forward to working with you.

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Senator Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr: Thank you very much Senator Morrison again. I just have a few more items that I'd like to leave with. I'm going to ask and request at least of you three (3) that I know it's a policy board right and we've seen in the past how some of the members really have, you know we're not really as aggressive and have no exerted themselves, I'm asking for you at this time with the present situation with GMH that you be that aggressive Policy Board Member and you exert yourselves because that's what's needed now. We've gone through so many and I think we owe to the employees, the hard worker nurses and doctors and to our people who have relied on GMH that we got to end that cycle of what we've been seeing for decades. Again I am full of hope and optimism just listening and having this dialogue with you. That's my request of you. The other two (2) things is I ask you to immediately, I don't know if you've met with at least the Executive Team there, Peter John, but after this if you can plan to reach out and meet with them and I encourage them to do the same and I will make sure that they do so because we're going to move your nomination through in this coming session and we want you to be able to get confirmed and start working with them but if you can look at the still-billings. We know that the still-billings is still an issue. There's millions of dollars and these are time sensitive, if it's after ninety (90) days you can't go out and bill for these after ninety (90) days. For others, it's a year for Medicaid and MIP but this is the blood line of the hospital that needs attention and I know there are efforts in getting to that but as Board Members I ask you first thing is to take a look at that, ask them for the inventory of that. The other thing to is, I'm not sure if they've executed the third-party payer agreement. They're running off a 2006 agreement that they've just been doing on a month to month and that's where Senator Respicio talked about that eight (8%) percent discount as part of that. We've been asking them to execute a new agreement, I'm not sure if they were working on it. I don't know if it's actually in affect and also one of the prerequisites of the fee adjustments we did a few months ago was for them to, in order for those fees to be effective, they have to have had at least one (1) third-party payer agreement executed. So that's another question, I'm asking if you can really stay on top of, we've talked about other fees that are perhaps need to be adjusted, we've done it, fee adjustments are not popular but at least the majority of us understand that this needs to be done. I think it was a failure of past ten (10) to twenty (20) years ago of not making those adjustments and that's why we see rates are where they're at today which really don't even cover the cost. Those are the four (4) things that I ask and you have our full support, we look forward to having this regular meetings and dialogue with you and of course with the other board members, I think there are about four (4) others; there's Sharon Davis, Dr. Santos, Dr. Terlaje, and Val Perez. They're there and so again congratulations again and thank you, Biba GMH. Thank you.

we are adjourned. Thank you.

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## Adjourned at 2:53pm

## **III. FINDINGS & RECOMMENDATIONS**

The Committee on Health and Human Services, Economic Development, Homeland Security and Senior Citizens hereby reports on the appointment of **The Executive Appointment of Mrs.** Lillian Perez-Posadas to serve as a Nurse Member, Guam Memorial Hospital Authority (GMHA), Board of Trustee, Term of six (6) years, from date of Appointment with the recommendation to <u>Contrigen</u>.



**EDDIE BAZA CALVO** Governor

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Honorable Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D. Speaker I Mina'trentai Tres Na Liheslaturan Guåhan **155 Hesler Street** Hagåtña, Guam 96910

**RE:** Board Appointment

Dear Madame Speaker:

By virtue of the authority vested in me pursuant to the Organic Act of Guam and the local laws applicable to the following position, I am pleased to transmit the following appointment and supporting documents for:

APPOINTEE:	Lillian Perez-Posadas
POSITION:	Nurse Member, Guam Memorial Hospital Authority (GMHA), Board of Trustees
TERM LENGTH:	Six (6) years
TERM SERVED:	From date of confirmation plus six (6) years

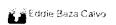
The appointment is subject to the consent of *I Lilueslaturan Guåhan*. Please schedule a hearing at your earliest convenience.

Senseramente.

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Ms. Lillian Q. Perez-Posadas

Dear Ms. Perez-Posadas:

Thank you for your commitment to serve the people of Guam. The Calvo-Tenorio administration continues to face unprecedented challenges, both near and long-term. The task ahead of us will require the collective efforts of the best minds who will have the courage to make tough decisions for the good of all our people. I hereby appoint you to serve in the Calvo-Tenorio administration as:

## Nurse Member, Guam Memorial Hospital Authority Board of Trustees Term Length: Six (6) years Term Served: From date of confirmation plus six (6) years

This appointment is subject to the advice and consent of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan*. Please contact the Office of the Governor at 472-8931 should you have any questions.

Senseramente,

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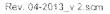
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## AFFIDAVIT / DECLARATION UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY

I, the undersigned, do hereby depose and say that: (1) I have read and reviewed the information contained in the attached Appointment/Nomination letter from the Governor of Guam; (2) that the matters contained in the Appointment/Nomination letter, together with all attachments thereto, are true and correct and that I am competent to testify to said matters; and (3) that this Declaration is made for the purpose of complying with the requirements of 4 G.C.A. Section 2103.5.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of Guam (4 G.C.A. Section 4308) that the foregoing is true and correct.

H/21/2015 Signature Date





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December 21, 2015

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Circular No. 16-025

April 19, 2016

Memorandum Re: Lilian Perez-Posadas GMHA Board of Trustee Member

Dear Senator Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr.,

I was not able to attend the public hearing in support for Ms. Lillian Perez-Posadas as a member of the Guam Memorial Hospital Authority (GMHA) board of trustee member. I am in full support of the Governor's appointment of Ms. Posadas as a GMHA board of trustee member. Ms. Posadas, a Chamorro professional, has the knowledge and experience of health care on Guam. She has "walked the talk" through past experiences and challenges while working with GMHA. In addition she has worked with the Department of Public Health and Human Services and the University of Guam. With this broad base of work experience, Lillian is an excellent candidate as a trustee of GMHA in lieu of the current issues the hospital faces.

Lillian is known to be a great role model, she will guide and groom promising healthcare professionals and she is known to make tough decisions. These are all vital traits needed while overseeing the weifare of the hospital. Lillian is not a political person and is not affiliated to a political party. This makes her a valuable member of the GMHA board of trustee team in making these tough decisions that addresses the health and weifare of the organization without political biases or interference.

It has been an honor and pleasure to have worked with Ms. Posadas over the past 25 years. She has been a solid mentor, coach and friend. My experience in working with Lillian is that she has the ability to evaluate the situation, presents the facts and addresses the problem(s).

It is important to note that Lillan has many years of working with various accrediting bodies such as the National League of Nursing, Medicare and Joint Commission. She has been part of the team at the University of Guam in the redesign and preparation with the achievement of accreditation for the School of Nursing. She then went to GMHA and worked diligently with the management team in achieving Joint Commission accreditation:

Despite the challenges of GMHA, I find it interesting that Lillian has accepted to work with the Governor as a GMHA board member. Frequently Lillian will say "This is my home, I want to give as long as I can". I urge the legislative team to unanimously confirm Ms. Lillian Perez-Posadas for the position as GMHA board of trustee.

With sincere hope she is a board member,

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Ruth Gurusamy, RN, MN, MBA Administrator

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## **MEMORANDUM**

To: Rennae Meno Clerk of the Legislature

## From:Senator Rory J. RespicioMajority Leader & Rules Chair

## Subject: Referral of Appointment

As the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules, I am forwarding my referral of the following appointment:

# Appointee:Lillian Q. Perez-PosadasPosition:Nurse Member, Guam Memorial Hospital Authority<br/>(GMHA), Board of Trustees

For a copy of Ms. Posadas' appointment packet, please visit the Guam Legislature's website at <u>www.guamlegislature.com</u>. Under the "Reports" menu select the "Messages & Communications" option and refer to:

## "Doc. 33GL-15- 1200: Governor's message transmitting the appointment of Lillian Q. Perez-Posadas, to serve as Nurse Member, Guam Memorial Hospital Authority (GMHA), Board of Trustees."

Please ensure that the subject appointment is referred, in my name, to Senator Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr., Chairperson of the Committee on Health, Economic Development, Homeland Security, and Senior Citizens. I also request that the same be forwarded to all Senators of *I Mina'trentai Tres Na Liheslaturan Guåhan*.

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

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### I Mina'Trentai Tres Na Liheslaturan Guahan Appointment Log Sheet

Date Received	M&CNo.	Appointee	Position	Agency	Appt. Date	Term Length	Committee Referred	Date Referred	PH Date	CR Filed	Confirmed	Notes
12/29/15	33GL-15-1200	Lillian Perez-Posadas	Member	Guam Memorial Hospital Board of Trustees	12/24/15	Six (6) Years	Committee on Health, Economic Development, Homeland Security, and Senior Citizens	12/31/15				

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## FIRST NOTICE of PUBLIC, INFORMATIONAL and CONFIRMATION HEARING on MONDAY, APRIL 18, 2016

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April 11, 2016

MEMORANDUM

To: All Senators, Stakeholders and Media

From: Sen. Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr.

Subject: FIRST NOTICE of Public, Informational & Confirmation Hearings on Monday, April 18, 2016

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The Committee on Health, Economic Development, Homeland Security and Senior Citizens will conduct a Public Hearing on Monday, April 18, 2016 in the Guam Legislature's Public Hearing Room.

The Committee will accept oral and written testimony on the following:

## 9:00 A.M.

## Informational Hearing:

\*Bill No. 184-33 (COR) - Introduced by Sen. D.G. Rodriguez, Jr.

An act to add new §§ (i), (j) and (k) to § 6233 of Article 2, Chapter 6 of Title 4, to provide for incentive pay for Environmental Public Health Officers within the division of Environmental Health of the Department of Public Health and Social Services who obtain and maintain one or more professional certifications in basic sciences as designated and meeting the recommended standard established by the National Environmental Health Association (NEHA).

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\*Bill No. 249-33 (COR) - Introduced by Sen. D.G. Rodriguez, Jr.

An act to mandate the payment of compensation benefits of animal control officers of the Department of Agriculture, as provided pursuant to Public Law 29-105.

Bill No. 271-33 (COR) - Introduced by Sen. D.G. Rodriguez, Jr.

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To: All Senators, Stakeholders and Media

From: Sen. Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr.

Subject: SECOND NOTICE of Public & Confirmation Hearings on Monday, April 18, 2016

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### III. Adjournment

## Thank you for your participation in today's hearing.

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