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Ludith T. Won Pat, Ed. D. Speaker

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Received by Speaker

Dear Madame Speaker:

Attached is Bill No. 154-32 (COR), entitled, "AN ACT TO ADD A NEW § 7160(F) OF CHAPTER 7, TITLE 16, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO EXEMPTING FROM VEHICLE REGISTRATION FEE REQUIREMENTS CERTAIN MOTORIZED UTILITY VEHICLES OPERATED BY GUAM MAYORS IN ACCORDANCE WITH, AND IN FURTHERANCE OF THEIR STATUTORILY PRESCRIBED DUTY TO OVERSEE, COORDINATE AND OTHERWISE UNDERTAKE THE BEAUTIFICATION AND MAINTENANCE OF THEIR VILLAGES," which lapsed into law as Public Law 32-102.

It is agreed with *I Liheslatura* that on occasion it is necessary and in the public interest that village Mayors be able to operate certain motorized utility vehicles upon public roadways, including the routed roads. In doing so, however, the safety of the Mayors and of the traveling public must be made a priority.

Therefore, after consultation with the Federal Highway Administration, it is strongly recommended that *I Liheslatura* consider amending P.L. 32-102 or the Vehicle Code of Guam to provide that slow-moving vehicles such as motorized utility vehicles which travel at a speed of less than 30 m.p.h. display a slow-moving vehicle emblem such as shown below when traveling along the public roadways, including the routed roads. The display of the slow-moving vehicle emblem is a legal requirement in most states, as it serves to protect the public and save lives.

As depicted here, the slow-moving vehicle emblem is a fluorescent red-orange triangle surrounded by a reflective dark-red border. The emblem is displayed in a position visible from the rear for a distance of at least 600 feet when illuminated by the low-beam headlights of a following automobile.

Slow-moving vehicle

Senseramente,

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

## CERTIFICATION OF PASSAGE OF AN ACT TO I MAGA'LAHEN GUÅHAN

This is to certify that Bill No. 154-32 (COR), "AN ACT TO ADD NEW § 7160(f) OF CHAPTER 7, TITLE 16, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO EXEMPTING FROM VEHICLE REGISTRATION FEE REQUIREMENTS CERTAIN MOTORIZED UTILITY VEHICLES OPERATED BY GUAM MAYORS IN ACCORDANCE WITH, AND IN FURTHERANCE OF, THEIR STATUTORILY PRESCRIBED DUTY TO OVERSEE, COORDINATE AND OTHERWISE UNDERTAKE THE BEAUTIFICATION AND MAINTENANCE OF THEIR VILLAGES", was on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of November 2013, duly and regularly passed.

	And
	Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D.
	Speaker
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Tina Rose Muña Barnes	
Legislative Secretary	
This Act was received by I Maga'lahen Gua 2013, at \( \subsetention \forall \gamma\) o'clock \( \forall \).M.	åhan this 15th day of Nov.,
APPROVED:	Assistant Staff Officer  Maga'lahi's Office
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Date: NOV 2 8 2013	
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## I MINA'TRENTAI DOS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN 2013 (FIRST) Regular Session

Bill No. 154-32 (COR)

As amended on the Floor.

Introduced By:

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## BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

- 2 Section 1. Legislative Findings and Intent. I Liheslaturan Guåhan finds
- 3 that pursuant to §§ 40112 and 40113 of Division 4, Chapter 40, Title 5, Guam

1 Code Annotated, Guam Mayors are responsible for general minor repair and

2 maintenance work, including, but not limited to, cleaning, painting, plumbing,

3 planting, collecting and transporting trash and debris, and other similar tasks

incident to the general upkeep, beautification and maintenance of their respective

5 villages.

I Liheslaturan Guåhan further finds that in performing these duties the Mayors and/or their respective staff regularly operate certain motorized utility vehicles, such as multifunctional utility/logistics and equipment vehicles (mules), gator recreational utility vehicles (gators), and riding mowers.

I Liheslaturan Guåhan further finds that while the Mayors' operation of these vehicles is primarily limited to the shoulders of public roadways, I Liheslatura recognizes that said operation involves moving onto the travelled portion of public roadways on certain occasions, such as where passage on the shoulder of a road is impossible or otherwise unsafe. Therefore, I Liheslaturan Guåhan deems it in the public interest that the village Mayors be able to operate these vehicles upon public roadways under certain circumstances, and, toward this end, that said vehicles, when operated as prescribed by this Act, be exempted from the requirements of Guam's vehicle registration law.

**Section 2.** A new paragraph (f) is *added* to §7160 of Chapter 7, Title 16, Guam Code Annotated, to exempt from vehicle registration fee requirements certain motorized utility vehicles operated by village Mayors under certain conditions, to read:

"(f) A "motorized utility vehicle" may operate in accordance with, and in furtherance of, legitimate Mayoral duties. Mayors, Vice-Mayors, and/or their respective staff may operate motorized utility vehicles, such as mules, gators, golf carts, and riding mowers on non-routed public roadways, so long as said vehicles are permanently marked with the Mayor's official

logo of that municipality, where (1) passage on the shoulder of a roadway is impossible or otherwise unsafe, and (2) the operator of said vehicle is engaged in the performance of Mayoral duties as prescribed by Title 5 GCA §40101 et seq., and is otherwise acting in accordance with Guam law; provided, that the motorized utility vehicle may operate on routed roadways for the purpose of crossing to get from one non-routed roadway to another. For the purposes of this Subsection, a "motorized utility vehicle" is any motorized vehicle primarily manufactured for off-roadway use, which is sixty-three inches (63") or less in width, has an unladen dry weight of one thousand eight hundred fifty pounds (1,850 lbs) or less, travels on less than six (6) wheels, and can travel up to maximum speeds of 20 miles per hour. The registration fee of subject utility vehicles, that are the property of the Mayoral offices, shall be waived."

Section 3. Effective Date. This provisions contained herein *shall* take effect upon enactment of this Act.