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May 02, 2013Nay 02, 2013Honorable Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D.YSpeakerYI Mina' trentai Unu Na Liheslaturan GuåhanY155 Hesler StreetYHagåtña, Guam 96910Y

Dear Madame Speaker:

Transmitted herewith is Bill No. 77-32 **"AN ACT TO AMEND §68975 OF ARTICLE 11, CHAPTER 68 OF TITLE 21, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE FARMER'S MARKET FACILITY BY THE FARMER'S COOPERATIVE ASSOCIATION OF GUAM, INC."**, which I signed into law on May 02, 2013 as **Public Law 32-023**.

Senseramente,

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Attachment: copy of Bill

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

This is to certify that Substitute Bill No. 77-32 (COR), "AN ACT TO AMEND §68975 OF ARTICLE 11, CHAPTER 68 OF TITLE 21, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE FARMER'S MARKET FACILITY BY THE FARMER'S COOPERATIVE ASSOCIATION OF GUAM, INC.", was on the 22nd day of April, 2013, duly and regularly passed.

Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D. Speaker

Attested

Tina Rose Muña Barnes Legislative Secretary

day of Ari This Act was received by *I Maga'lahen Guåhan* this 2%2013, at <u><u>``</u>³ o'clock <u>M</u>.M.</u>

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APPROVED: EDWARD B. CALVO

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Date: May 02, 2013

Public Law No. <u>32–023</u>



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

Bill No. 77-32 (COR)

As substituted by the Committee on Appropriations, Public Debt, Legal Affairs, Retirement, Public Parks, Recreation, Historic Preservation and Land; and amended on the Floor.

Introduced by:

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AN ACT TO AMEND **§68975** OF ARTICLE 11. CHAPTER **68** OF TITLE 21, **GUAM** CODE ANNOTATED. RELATIVE TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE FARMER'S MARKET FACILITY BY THE FARMER'S COOPERATIVE ASSOCIATION OF GUAM, INC.

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

Section 1. Legislative Findings and Intent. *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* finds that
pursuant to Public Law 30-228, Guam's long-standing goal of food self-sufficiency is



attainable. Though it has taken many years and the challenges have been seemingly
endless, the promise of the Guam Farmer's Market becomes more of a reality today
due, in large part, to the allocation of proceeds from the Hotel Occupancy Tax
Revenue Limited Obligation (HOT) Bonds to provide the processing and marketing
facilities vital to afford our farmers a sustainable and viable outlet for their harvest and
production.

I Liheslaturan Guåhan further finds that in the effort to develop projects that benefit community infrastructure, revitalization of the Guam Farmer's Market is of great importance, and as part of its facility, to include: a retail Farmer's Market, dry and cold storage, feed and material supply, offices for Government agencies, a valueadded kitchen, a dining/patio area, flea market stalls, a plant nursery, public toilets, and a designated parking area.

I Liheslaturan Guåhan further finds that Lot No. 10155-1 (6.9947± acres),
 municipality of *Dededo*, has been designated for the farmer's public market site, to
 ultimately benefit the people, farmers and ranchers of Guam.

Therefore, it is the intent of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* to amend §68975 of Article
11, Chapter 68 of Title 21, Guam Code Annotated, relative to the development of the
Farmer's Market facility by the Farmer's Cooperative Association of Guam, Inc.

Section 2. §68975 of Article 11, Chapter 68 of Title 21, Guam Code Annotated, is
hereby *amended* to read as follows:

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"§ 68975. Farmer's Cooperative Association of Guam, Inc.

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Farmer's Cooperative Association of Guam, Inc. (Association) is authorized to execute all legal instruments, documents and contracts necessary for the construction and operations of the Farmer's Market facility, pursuant to P.L. 30-228, on Lot No. 10155-1 (6.9947± acres), in the municipality of *Dededo*, and must comply with the following: (a) The association, for the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) per annum for twenty-five (25) years with an option for automatic renewal for another twenty-five (25) years, *shall* have the beneficial use of the property for its development. The Association may subject the property and its improvements to a leasehold mortgage, subject to approval by *I Liheslaturan Guåhan*.

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(b) The use of the property *shall be limited* to those activities consistent with the mission and purpose of the Association, as detailed in its governing documents, and for the activities authorized herein.

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9 (c)The right to develop the property for the construction of the 10 Farmer's Market by the Association contained in this Act shall not be conveyed by the Association to any other entity, nor may the entire facility 11 12 project be sublet to a single entity, without I Liheslaturan Guåhan's approval. Portions of the Farmer's Market facility may be leased out by the 13 14 Association to individual vendors, businesses, and other entities, consistent 15 with applicable laws, rules and regulations for the commercial lease of 16 government facilities, and pursuant with the goals and activities of the 17 Association.

(d) Any change in the tax status of the Association *shall* require
notification to *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and an immediate renegotiation of
payments required in this Act for the use of the property. *If* such change *shall* be
to a for-profit status, the rate *shall* be *no less than* ten percent (10%) of the actual
market value of the property.

(e) The Association *may* grant the Mayor of *Dededo*, through a
memorandum of agreement, access to and use of the premises for the activities
authorized in §68901(b) of Article 9, Chapter 68 of Title 21, Guam Code
Annotated, with the exception that the approval by the Department of Land

Management shall no longer be required for the issuance of the permits pursuant to §68901(b).

(f) The Association shall be required after the initial seven (7) years of the term, to remit two percent (2%) of the Association's gross income from the operations of the Farmer's Market facility for the previous year to the account of the Ancestral Land Bank and increased one percent (1%) every five (5) years thereafter for the remaining term to a maximum of five percent (5%).

The Association shall not sell, mortgage, sublease, assign, 8 (g) 9 encumber, hypothecate, or otherwise transfer its interest in the property 10 without the prior consent of I Liheslaturan Guåhan. Should the Farmer's 11 Market facility fail to begin construction within three (3) years of the 12 enactment of this Act, or the amounts required by Subsections (a) and (f) of this Section fail to be remitted, the assignment of the property to the 13 14 Association is hereby revoked, and the Department of Land Management 15 shall file the needed documents with the Recorder's Office noticing the 16 revocation, and *shall* include provisions needed to ensure the property is free and clear from any encumbrances to the title. 17

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The Association and its activities shall be subject to an annual (h) audit by the Office of Public Accountability." 19

20 Section 3. Lot Rezoned. Lot No. 10155-1, municipality of Dededo, 21 Guam, containing an area of $6.9947\pm$ acres, is hereby rezoned from Agricultural 22 Zone (A) to Commercial Zone (C).

Severability. If any provision of this Law or its application to 23 Section 4. any person or circumstances is found to be invalid or contrary to law, such 24 invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications to this Law which can be 25 given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the 26 27 provisions of this Law are severable.