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

32-13-563 Office of the Speaker Judith T. Won, Pat, Ed. D. Date Tane Received by

Dear Madame Speaker:

Transmitted herewith is Bill No.132-32 (LS) "AN ACT TO *ADD* A NEW SUBSECTION 10 AND A NEW SUBSECTION 11 TO §80109(S) OF DIVISION 4, CHAPTER 80 OF TITLE 10, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO EXPANDING THE BORROWING ABILITY OF THE GUAM MEMORIAL HOSPITAL AUTHORITY BY PLEDGING COMPACT IMPACT FUNDS AS A REPAYMENT SOURCE FOR THE ADDITIONAL AVAILABLE BALANCE; AND TO PROHIBIT NET PAY BY THE GUAM MEMORIAL HOSPITAL AUTHORITY" which I signed into law on July 1, 2013 as Public Law 32-043.

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 Substitute Bill No. 132-32 (LS), "AN ACT TO ADD A NEW SUBSECTION 10 AND A NEW SUBSECTION 11 TO §80109(S) OF DIVISION 4, CHAPTER 80 OF TITLE 10, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO EXPANDING THE BORROWING ABILITY OF THE GUAM MEMORIAL HOSPITAL AUTHORITY BY PLEDGING COMPACT IMPACT FUNDS AS A REPAYMENT SOURCE FOR THE ADDITIONAL AVAILABLE BALANCE; AND TO PROHIBIT NET PAY BY THE GUAM MEMORIAL HOSPITAL AUTHORITY", was on the 24th day of June, 2013, duly and regularly passed.

Benjamin J.F. Cruz Acting Speaker

Attested:

Thomas C. Ada Acting Legislative Secretary

This Act was received by *I Maga'lahen Guåhan* this $\frac{\partial b^{\dagger}}{\partial b}$ day of $\frac{\partial b^{\dagger}}{\partial b}$, 2013, at 3° , \mathcal{N} o'clock \mathcal{V} .M.

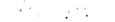
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APPROVED: EDWARD J.B. CALVO

I Maga'lahen Guåhan

Date:

Public Law No. _____32-043



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

Bill No 132-32 (LS)

As substituted by the Committee on Health & Human Services, Health Insurance Reform, Economic Development, and Senior Citizens; and amended on the Floor.

Introduced by:

Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr. Aline A. Yamashita, Ph.D. V. Anthony Ada <u>R. J. Respicio</u> T. C. Ada Frank B. Aguon, Jr. B. J.F. Cruz Chris M. Dueñas Michael T. Limtiaco Brant T. McCreadie Tommy Morrison T. R. Muña Barnes Vicente (ben) C. Pangelinan Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D.

AN ACT TO ADD A NEW SUBSECTION 10 AND A NEW §80109(s) OF DIVISION 4. SUBSECTION 11 TO **CHAPTER** 80 OF TITLE 10. GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO EXPANDING THE BORROWING ABILITY OF THE GUAM MEMORIAL HOSPITAL AUTHORITY BY PLEDGING COMPACT IMPACT FUNDS AS A REPAYMENT SOURCE FOR THE ADDITIONAL AVAILABLE BALANCE: AND TO PROHIBIT NET PAY BY THE GUAM MEMORIAL HOSPITAL AUTHORITY.

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

Section 1. Legislative Findings and Intent. *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* finds
that the Guam Memorial Hospital Authority is seriously underfunded, resulting in
consistent, chronic shortages in all operational areas that jeopardize the ability of
the Guam Memorial Hospital to adequately fulfill its mission.

The full scope and negative impact of the Guam Memorial Hospital 6 Authority's outstanding debts, in excess of Twenty-three Million Dollars 7 (\$23,000,000), came to light during the Joint Status Hearing conducted by the 8 9 Committee on Health & Human Services and the Committee on Appropriations, 10 Public Debt, Legal Affairs, Retirement, Public Parks, Recreation, Historic Preservation and Land on April 18, 2012. I Liheslaturan Guåhan further finds that 11 in 2012, the federally approved discount provider for medical supplies intercepted 12 13 approximately Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000) (taken from Medicare reimbursements through the U.S. Treasury), for non-payment of GMHA's debt. In 14 March 2013, GMHA, through the efforts of Governor Edward Calvo, paid Five 15 16 Million Dollars (\$5,000,000) of its outstanding obligations using Compact-Impact funds, thus reducing its obligation to approximately Eighteen Million Dollars 17 (\$18,000,000) as of March 31, 2013. The retirement of GMHA's debt is essential 18 19 to its ability to focus on patient care and its preventive programs. The provision of medical care should be the core of the Hospital's mission, not the burden placed on 20 21 operations by its debt. For the past seven months in Fiscal Year 2013, GMHA has accumulated approximately over half a million dollars in interest charges from 22 23 vendors. This added burden further exacerbates GMHA's financial condition.

I Liheslaturan Guåhan further finds that Public Law 30-200, as amended by
Public Law 30-235, authorized the GMHA to enter into a line of credit, revolving
fund, or direct loan not to exceed Twenty-five Million Dollars (\$25,000,000).
However, only Twelve Million Dollars (\$12,000,000) has been borrowed to date. *I*

Liheslaturan Guåhan further finds that Governor Edward Calvo has committed to
 pledge Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000) annually from Compact Impact funds to
 the Guam Memorial Authority specifically to use as a repayment source for this
 purpose.

5 It is the intent of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* to allow the financing of GMHA's 6 debt using *I Maga'lahen Guåhan's* pledge of Compact Impact funds as the 7 repayment source for the additional Thirteen Million Dollars (\$13,000,000) 8 balance or any available balance of the Twenty-five Million Dollars (\$25,000,000) 9 borrowing authority, pursuant to Public Law 30-200, whichever is greater.

Section 2. A new Subsection (10), in conformance with Public Law 30235, and a Subsection (11) are hereby *added* to § 80109(s) of Chapter 80, Division
4 of Title 10, Guam Code Annotated, to read as follows:

- "(10) This Guarantee is a general obligation of the government of
 Guam, subject to the full faith and credit of the government of Guam. The
 Guarantor consents to any and all extension of time and waiver or
 modification of obligations guaranteed hereunder.
- 17 (11) *I Maga'lahen Guåhan*, the Governor of Guam, at his discretion
 18 and with his consent, may pledge Compact Impact Funds received from the
 19 Department of Interior as a source of funding to secure the balance of the
 20 Twenty-five Million Dollar line of credit, revolving loan fund, and/or a
 21 direct loan authorized in this Act to be used for the reduction of the Guam
 22 Memorial Hospital Authority's vendor payables."
- 23 Section 3. Net Pay Not Permitted. Notwithstanding any other provisions 24 of law, rule, or regulation, no certifying officer, administrator, or employee of the 25 Guam Memorial Hospital Authority shall authorize the issuance of net pay at the 26 authority. For the purpose of this Section, "net pay" *shall* mean the remaining 27 amount after deductions from the gross salary, where net means ultimate and an

amount is issued to an employee without the full payment of all payroll deductions
 due to each employee at the Authority. The issuance of net pay by any certifying
 officer, administrator, or employee of the Guam Memorial Hospital Authority *shall* be grounds for termination.