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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 5.23.14 1.4.43pt 2014 HAY 27 MM 8: 55

Dear Madame Speaker:

Attached is Bill No. 220-32 (LS), entitled, "AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE MAYORS COUNCIL OF GUAM AND THE GUAM ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY TO COLLABORATE ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF AN OPERATIONAL PLAN FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS ACT; AND TO APPROPRIATE \$2 MILLION FROM THE RECYCLING REVOLVING FUND TO THE MAYORS COUNCIL FOR THE PURCHASE OF HEAVY EQUIPMENT..." which I have vetoed.

Bill 220-32 requires that Guam EPA and the Mayors Council of Guam submit a proposed operational plan for the Legislature's approval, and then subjects and conditions a \$2 million appropriation for heavy equipment upon that approval. This appropriation is redundant because the laws governing the Recycling Revolving Fund already authorize Guam EPA to administer a program earlier this month, Governor Eddie Baza Calvo signed the release of \$400,000 for the Mayors to remove household goods and clean up illegal dump states. Subsequently at the request of the Mayors, and after reviewing the Recycling Revolving Fund, the Governor released an additional \$2.5 million to get the job done, and also added green waste disposal to the list.

Bill 220-32 is also troubling with respect to its amendment of Section 51302 of Title 10 G.C.A. so as to require a legislative appropriation before any monies in the Recycling Revolving Fund may be used. Bill 220 contradicts Section 51303(a) of Title 10 which already explicitly appropriates the revenues in the Recycling Revolving Fund to the Guam Environmental Protection Agency to cover the cost of administering the Fund, the first priority of which is the removal of junk cars and other similar debris. [10 G.C.A. Section 51304(a)]. By requiring that the Legislature approve an operational plan for implementing what is already authorized by existing law and which is being effectively handled by Guam EPA, and by also requiring that every expenditure and use of monies in the Fund be legislatively appropriated, Bill 220-32 politicizes and thwarts the very purpose for which the Recycling Revolving Fund was set up to accomplish.

Senseramente,

RAY S. TENORIC

Acting Governor of Guam

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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 GUÂHAN

This is to certify that Bill No. 220-32 (LS), "AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE MAYORS COUNCIL OF GUAM (MCOG) AND THE GUAM ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY (GEPA) TO COLLABORATE ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF AN OPERATIONAL PLAN FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS ACT; AND TO APPROPRIATE TWO MILLION DOLLARS (\$2,000,000) FROM THE RECYCLING REVOLVING FUND TO THE MAYORS COUNCIL OF GUAM FOR THE PURCHASE OF HEAVY EQUIPMENT TO BE UTILIZED BY THE MCOG FOR THE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL OF RECYCLABLES, JUNK CARS, GREEN WASTE, AND OTHER DEBRIS," was on the 9th day of May, 2014, duly and regularly passed.

Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D. Speaker Tina Rose Muña Barnes Legislative Secretary This Act was received by I Maga'lahen Guåhan this ______ day of _______, 2014, at 3.43 o'clock γ .M. Maga'lahi's Office APPROVED VETO RAYMOND S. TENORIO Acting Governor of Guam Date: MAY 2 1 2014 Public Law No.

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

Bill No. 220-32 (LS)

As amended on the Floor.

Introduced by:

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AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE MAYORS COUNCIL OF GUAM (MCOG) AND THE GUAM ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY (GEPA) TO COLLABORATE ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF AN OPERATIONAL PLAN FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS ACT; AND TO APPROPRIATE TWO MILLION DOLLARS (\$2,000,000) FROM THE RECYCLING REVOLVING FUND TO THE MAYORS COUNCIL OF GUAM FOR THE PURCHASE OF HEAVY EQUIPMENT TO BE UTILIZED BY THE MCOG FOR THE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL OF RECYCLABLES, JUNK CARS, GREEN WASTE, AND OTHER DEBRIS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

2 Section 1. Legislative Findings and Intent.

- 1 Section 2. MCOG and GEPA to Prepare Plan.
- 2 Section 3. Proposed Operational Plan.
- 3 Section 4. Maintenance and Upkeep.
- 4 Section 5. Appropriation.

Section 6. § 51302 of Article 3, Chapter 51 of Title 10 GCA,, the

- 6 Recycling Revolving Fund.
- Section 1. Legislative Findings and Intent. *I Liheslatura* finds that the Mayors and Vice Mayors of Guam play pivotal roles in our community in almost every area, including being involved in providing, as much as possible, a clean and safe environment for their constituents. Mayors and Vice Mayors are also a crucial factor in the removal of debris and the clearing of roads following storms, disasters, and other events.
 - I Liheslatura intends that an appropriation from the Recycling Revolving Fund can maximize the effectiveness of Guam's Mayors and Vice Mayors in the collection and disposal of junk cars, green waste, recyclables, and assorted debris, by providing sufficient equipment to achieve our community's goal of a cleaner and greener Guam.
 - Section 2. MCOG and GEPA to Prepare Plan. The Mayors Council of Guam (MCOG) *shall* work with the Guam Environmental Protection Agency (GEPA) to prepare an operational plan relative to the implementation of this Act, so that the MCOG can have access to the needed heavy equipment that is required to clear roads, collect trash and waste, and remove junk cars, and other debris, on a regular basis, and provide other village services, such equipment to be made available to each Mayor on a rotational basis.
 - **Section 3. Proposed Operational Plan.** The Mayors Council of Guam and together with GEPA Board of Directors *shall*, within one hundred twenty (120) days of the enactment of this Act into law, submit to *I Liheslaturan Guåhan*, via a duly adopted resolution, a proposed operational plan for the implementation

of the provisions of this Act.

Section 4. Maintenance and Upkeep. The Department of Public Works (Department) *shall* be charged with the responsibility of maintaining the equipments purchased pursuant to this Act. Furthermore, the Department *shall* be responsible for the maintenance, upkeep and renovation and repair of the equipments either directly or through the use of contracted vendors.

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Section 5. Appropriation. Upon approval and acceptance by *I Liheslatura* of the proposed operational plan, Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000) is hereby appropriated from the Recycling Revolving Fund for the procurement of heavy equipment for the MCOG, to include, but *not* be limited to, dump trucks, backhoes with trailers, shredders, and flat beds for use by the various Mayors' offices for the collection and disposal of recyclables, junk cars, green waste, and other debris. In accordance with the approved operational plan called for in Section 3, the Guam Environmental Protection Agency *shall* conduct the procurement of the heavy equipment funded by this Act.

Section 6. § 51302 of Article 3, Chapter 51 of Title 10 GCA, the Recycling Revolving Fund, is *amended* to read:

"§ 51302. There is hereby created the Recycling Revolving Fund (Fund), which *shall* be maintained separate and apart from any other funds, including the General Fund of the government of Guam, and independent records and accounts *shall* be maintained thereof. All revenue generated from recycling fees collected pursuant to this Article, including interest earned, *shall* be deposited into the Fund. The monies deposited into the Fund *shall not* be subject to the transfer of authority of *I Maga'lahen Guåhan*, and the use of any monies in the Fund *shall* require an appropriation by *I Liheslatura*,"