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CERTIFICATION OF PASSAGE OF AN ACT TO THE GOVERNOR

This is to certify that Bill No. 188, "An Act to add Sections 9671 through 9671.8, inclusive, to the Government Code of Guam to authorize installment payment for sewage connections", was on the 23rd day of June, 1971, duly and regularly passed.

F. T. RAMIREZ Speaker

ATTESTED:

G. M. BAMBA Legislative Secretary

This Act was received by the Governor this 2nd day of Guly . 1971 at 3:45 o'clock P. M.

VINCENT T. PEREZ Attorney General of Guam

APPROVED:

CARLOS G. CAMACHO Governor of Guam

DATED: JUL 1 41971

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AN ACT TO ADD SECTIONS 9671 THROUGH 9671.8, INCLUSIVE, TO THE GOVERNMENT CODE OF GUAM TO AUTHORIZE INSTALLMENT PAYMENT FOR SEWAGE CONNECTIONS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE TERRITORY OF GUAM:
Section 1. Sections 9671 through 9671.8 inclusive are
hereby added to the Government Code of Guam to read as follows:
"Section 9671. Definitions. As used in Sections
9671 through 9671.8 inclusive:

- (a) 'Agency' shall mean the Public Utility
 Agency;
- (b) 'Fund' shall mean the Public Utility
 Agency Fund;
- (c) 'Homeowners' shall mean persons owning private single family residences in which they reside;
- (d) 'Adjacent homeowners' shall mean homeowners whose residences are adjacent to to and abut a road, street or other way or easement on which a sewer is installed.

Section 9671.1. Installation of connecting lines to public sewers. The Public Utility Agency of Guam is hereby authorized to install or cause to be installed connection lines to public sewers from the residences of adjacent homeowners and subject to the provisions of this Subchapter to charge therefor on an installment basis.

Any such adjacent homeowner who, pursuant to Section 9670.3 of the Government Code, is required to connect toilet facilities to said public sewer, may make application to the Agency for installation of said sewer connection and for repayment of the cost thereof on an installment basis as provided herein.

Section 9671.2. Notice to homeowners. The Chief Officer of the Agency or his authorized representative shall inform, by written notice, all adjacent homeowners that said homeowner may make application for installation of connecting lines and payment of the cost thereof on an installment basis as provided in this Subchapter. This notice shall be given to such homeowners within thirty (30) days from the date the public sewer first becomes available to them and shall contain a form for making application.

Within ninety (90) days from the effective date of this Act the Public Utility Agency shall give the notice provided herein to all such persons who presently own homes abutting a road, street or other way or easement in which a public sewer is currently located, and who have not yet connected their toilet facilities to the sewer.

Section 9671.3. Application of homeowners. The adjacent homeowners desiring to have connecting sewer

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lines installed by the Public Utility Agency and to pay therefor on the installment basis shall, within thirty (30) days from receipt of the notice specified in Section 9671.2, file application for connection and installment payment with the Agency upon forms provided by the Agency.

Section 9671.4. Installation of connecting lines. The Agency shall install or cause to be installed connections from the residence of each such adjacent homeowner to the public sewer and shall commence such installation as soon as possible in order to comply with the time provisions of Section 9670.3 of this Subchapter. This work may be done by contractors on public bid pursuant to the provisions of Section 10001.6 of the Government Code.

If an adjacent homeowner has made application in accordance with the provisions contained herein and within the time provided in Section 9671.3, the time limitations contained in Section 9670.3 of this Subchapter shall be waived while connection lines are being installed by or under the supervision of the Agency.

Section 9671.5. Fund.

- (a) There is hereby established a fund to be known as the 'Public Utility Agency Sewer Connection Fund', which fund shall be maintained separate and apart from any other funds of the government of Guam, and independent records shall be maintained in connection therewith.
- (b) All monies received by the Agency from homeowners in payment of sewer connection

line installation charges shall be deposited with the Treasurer of Guam and credited to the Fund and applied to the account of each homeowner making payment.

- operating expenses, and installation costs and expenses arising from the installation of connecting lines pursuant to the provisions of this Section are hereby authorized to be paid from said Fund by the Treasurer of Guam upon vouchers properly certified to by the Certifying Officer of the Agency.
- (d) The Chief Officer of the Agency shall quarterly render to the Governor a statement reflecting the financial condition of the Fund.

Section 9671.6. Repayment of installments. The cost of the installation of connection lines to the public sewer shall be borne by each individual homeowner, and the cost thereof shall be repaid to the Fund on an installment basis, in equal installments over a period not to exceed five (5) years from the date the sewer connection shall have been completed.

Section 9671.7. Installment contract. The signature of the adjacent homeowner, and acceptance by the Public Utility Agency of the application form provided for in Section 9671.3, shall constitute a contract between the homeowner and the government of Guam. The contract shall provide for the monthly amount of installment payments to be made thereunder. Payments shall commence within sixty (60) days from the date of completion of the

installation of the connecting line.

Such contract shall provide for payment of interest to be at the rate of six per cent (6%) per annum on the installment amounts due and payable. Such contract shall further provide that the entire balance shall become immediately due and payable upon default in the payment of any installment of more than sixty (60) days. during the duration of any installment contract a single family residence is converted into income producing property or a multiple family dwelling, all unpaid installment shall become immediately due and payable. All unpaid installments shall constitute a lien upon the property for which the connection was made. Upon sale of the property by the contracting homeowner, all unpaid installments shall immediately become due and payable, unless the buyer of the property shall, by written agreement with the Public Utility Agency, assume such installment contract.

shall have the power, duty and responsibility for the operation, administration and enforcement of this Section, and shall maintain all necessary records. Such power shall include the authority to make rules and regulations necessary to carry out the provisions contained herein, all in accordance with Section 21207 of the Government Code of Guam, and the authority to enforce collection of payments to be made by homeowners hereunder. The Agency shall obtain from the Attorney General approval of the general form of installment contract which is to be entered into by homeowners hereunder, and approval of the general form of the assumption agreement to be entered into hereunder by subsequent purchasers."