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## CERTIFICATION OF PASSAGE OF AN ACT TO THE GOVERNOR

This is to certify that Bill No. 575, "An Act to add Article V to Chapter III, Title XLVII of the Government Code of Guam to establish a Guam Therapeutic Community Center within the Guam Community Mental Health Center", was on the 20th day of December, 1973, duly and regularly passed.

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Speaker

ATTESTED:

G. M. BAMBA

Legislative Secretary

This Act was received by the Governor this 700 day of 0100, 1974 at 3:15 o'clock 9. M.

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Bill No. 575

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AN ACT TO ADD ARTICLE V TO CHAPTER III, TITLE XLVII OF THE GOVERNMENT CODE OF GUAM TO ESTABLISH A GUAM THERAPEUTIC COMMUNITY CENTER WITHIN THE GUAM COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH CENTER.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE TERRITORY OF GUAM: Section 1. A new Article V is hereby added to Chapter III, Title XLVII of the Government Code of Guam to read as follows:

## "ARTICLE V

Guam Therapeutic Community Center

Section 49250. Title. This Act shall be known as the 'Guam Therapeutic Community Center'.

Section 49251. Statement of policy and purpose. It is hereby declared to be the public policy of the territory of Guam that it is essential that there exists a Therapeutic Community Center to provide professional treatment to persons abusing drugs.

Section 49252. Guam Therapeutic Community Center; establishment of. There is hereby established within the Guam Memorial Hospital, the Guam Therapeutic Community Center, hereinafter referred to as the 'Center'.

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Section 49253. Same: administration. The management and control of the Guam Therapeutic Community Center shall be vested in a Board of Directors to consist of nine (9) members to be appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Legislature. A Chairman is to be selected by a majority vote of members of the Board and the Board shall meet at least once a month at such time and place as the Chairman may designate. Meetings shall be well publicized and shall be open to members of the public. Executive sessions are permitted only when the Board is considering matters relating to personnel or when the subject under discussion is privileged information.

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Section 49254. Board duties. The functions and responsibilities of the Board are as follows:

(a) To determine overall program, personnel and financial policies.

(b) To approve final program proposals, budgets and to assure that guidelines and conditions of grants are complied with.

Section 49255. Same: tenure. The members of the Board shall serve for three (3) years: provided, that of the members first appointed, three (3) shall serve for one (1) year, three (3) shall serve for two (2) years and three (3) shall serve for three (3) years.

Section 49256. Compensation. Members of the Board shall serve without pay, but shall be reimbursed for reasonable and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their duties and certified by the Treasurer of Guam.

Section 49257. Guam Therapeutic Community Center

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duties. The goals and objectives of the Guam Therapeutic Community Center are as follows:

(a) To help drug abusers to develop emotional stability and to assist such abusers in being able to handle frustrations, self doubts, disappointments and other emotional problems through the use of personal strengths and convictions.

(b) To help the drug abuser to develop meaningful family, and community relationships.

(c) To provide an opportunity for the drug abuser to. build a reasonable amount of 'clean time' in a semiprotective supportive environment.

(d) To provide the necessary educational andvocational counsel and training in order for the abuserto assume a productive role in society.

Section 49258. Same: employees. An Executive Director shall be appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Legislature and shall serve as Executive Secretary to the Board. Other employees shall be recruited by the Board in accordance with its rules and regulations; provided, however, that its policies regarding terms of employment and payment of salaries are not inconsistent with the rules and regulations of the Guam Civil Service Commission.

Section 49259. Rules and regulations. The Board shall adopt reasonable rules and regulations regarding referrals from the Courts, Youth Hall and the Guam Community Mental Health Center. All rules and regulations adopted by the Board shall be published and distributed in such a manner as to insure adequate public disclosure of its activities."

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