## FOURTHENTH GUAM LEGISLATURE 1977 (FIRST) Regular Session

## CERTIFICATION OF PASSAGE OF AN ACT TO THE GOVERNOR

This is to certify that Bill No. 310, "An Act to authorize the Department of Land Management to exchange government of Guam lands with privately-owned properties needed to augment the existing recreation area in Agana Heights", was on the 5th day of December, 1977, duly and regularly passed.

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AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND MANAGEMENT TO EXCHANGE GOVERNMENT OF GUAM LANDS WITH PRIVATELY-OWNED PROPERTIES NEEDED TO AUGMENT THE EXISTING RECREATION AREA IN AGANA HEIGHTS.

WHEREAS, the village of Agana Heights continues to increase in population, thus needing, among other things, to expand its recreational facilities; and

WHEREAS, the existing government land being used for recreational purpose is only large enough to barely accommodate a baseball field; and

WHEREAS, to provide additional facilities such as tennis courts, volleyball courts, basketball courts, a multi-purpose community center and ample parking, additional properties surrounding the baseball field should be acquired by the government; and

whereas, at least two of the private property owners representing a combined area of about one hectare have indicated they are willing to exchange their properties with government lands if they find the offer suitable; and

WHEREAS, land exchange is a method which the government has employed in the past to acquire private property for public use without having to put up cash payment; and

WHEREAS, in the case of Agana Heights, there's an opportunity for the government to augment the existing public recreation area by acquiring private properties through land exchange method; now, therefore,

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE TERRITORY OF GUAM:

Section 1. The Department of Land Management is authorized and directed to take the necessary action to effect land exchanges between the government of Guam and any owner of private property whose property is needed to augment the existing recreation areas in Agana Heights.

Section 2. The Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation along with the Director of Land Management and the Commissioner of Agana Heights shall identify those parcels of private property necessary to carry out the purposes of Section 1 of this Act. Likewise, they shall identify those government parcels of land which can be used for exchange purposes under Section 1 of this Act. An information report shall be furnished to the Legislature no later than thirty (30) days after the effective date hereof.

Section 3. This Act shall become effective upon its enactment.