FIFTEENTH GUAM LEGISLATURE 1979 (FIRST) Regular Session

CERTIFICATION OF PASSAGE OF AN ACT TO THE GOVERNOR

This is to certify that Substitute Bill No. 16, "An Act to add Chapter IV to Title II to the Civil Code and to repeal and reenact paragraph a. of Subsection 4. of Section 9309 of the Government Code to authorize an action to determine parental relation and for other purposes", was on the 10th day of September 1979, duly and regularly passed.

THOMAS V. C. TANAKA
Speaker

ATTESTED:

JAMES H. UNDERWOOD Legislative Secretary

This Act was received by the Governor this 12th day of September 1979, at 3.25 o'clock p.M.

SHERDA L. FRANCISCO
Assistant Staff Officer
Governor's Office

APPROVED:

JOSEPH F. ADA Acting Governor of Guam

DATED: 9-24-79 2:30PM

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FIFTEENTH GUAM LEGISLATURE 1979 (FIRST) Regular Session

Bill No. 16 (As Substituted by the Committee on Criminal Justice)

September 1

Introduced by

K. B. Aguon F. F. Blas

AN ACT TO ADD CHAPTER IV TO TITLE II TO THE CIVIL CODE AND TO REPEAL AND REENACT PARAGRAPH a. OF SUBSECTION 4. OF SECTION 9309 OF THE GOVERNMENT CODE TO AUTHORIZE AN ACTION TO DETERMINE PARENTAL RELATION AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

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

Section 1. Chapter IV is added to Title II of the Civil

Code to read:

"CHAPTER IV

Declaration of Parental Relation

Section 235. Action to determine parental relation.

An action may be brought in the Superior Court for the purpose of having declared the existence or non-existence between the parties of the relation of parent and child, by birth or adoption."

Section 2. Paragraph a. of Subsection 4. of Section 9309 of the Government Code is repealed and reenacted to read:

"a. If the mother was married either at the time of the conception or birth, the name of the husband shall be entered on the certificate as the father of the child and further, the surname of the husband or wife shall be recorded as the surname of the child unless paternity has been determined otherwise by a court of competent jurisdiction, in which case, the name of the father, as determined

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by the court, shall be entered. If the mother was separated from the husband or an interlocutory or final decree of divorce had been entered either at the time of conception or birth and if the father of the child is not the mother's husband, the person who is the father of the child may acknowledge the child in a sworn statement and upon the written consent of the mother, the name of the man so acknowledging shall be entered on the certificate as the father of the child and further, the surname of that man or mother shall be recorded as the surname of the child unless paternity has been determined otherwise by a court of competent jurisdiction, in which case, the name of the father, as determined by the court, shall be entered."

Section 3. The provisions of Section 2 shall be retroactive in effect.

DATE 9-10-79

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