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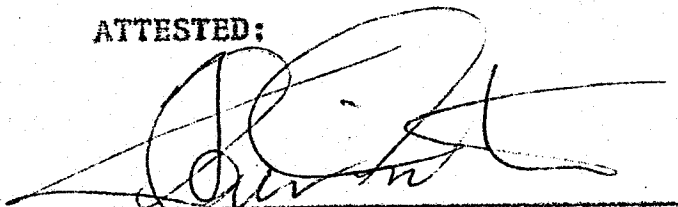
CERTIFICATION OF PASSAGE OF AN ACT TO THE GOVERNOR

This is to certify that Substitute Bill No. 117, "An Act to provide for a plan for the use of the old Guam Memorial Hospital facilities," was on the 5th day of May 1981, duly and regularly passed.



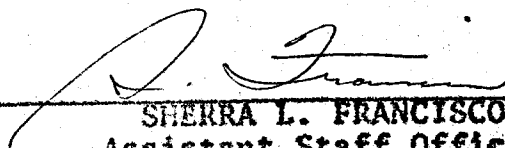
THOMAS V. C. TANAKA
Speaker

ATTESTED:



THOMAS C. CRISOSTOMO
Legislative Secretary

This Act was received by the Governor this 13th day of May, 1981, at 3:15 o'clock P.M.



SHERRA L. FRANCISCO
Assistant Staff Officer
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APPROVED:



PAUL M. CALVO
Governor of Guam

DATED: 5/27/81 2:47 P.M.

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Bill No. 117
(As Substituted
by the Committee
on Governmental
Operations)

Introduced by: A. C. Lamorena III, T. V. C. Tanaka,
P. F. Perez, Jr.

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR A PLAN FOR THE USE
OF THE OLD GUAM MEMORIAL HOSPITAL FACILITIES.

1 WHEREAS, the Legislature finds that some of the "old Guam
2 Memorial Hospital staff is now housed in a modern concrete multi-
3 purpose building located in the vicinity of Oka, Tamuning; and

4 WHEREAS, Federal Grants-in-Aid totaling \$25 million was
5 recently made available to the territory of Guam for the purpose
6 of enabling the government to purchase the hospital facilities
7 including the land at Oka, Tamuning of which a \$10 million
8 authorization is available; and

9 WHEREAS, the Legislature finds that the "old" Guam Memorial
10 Hospital facility situated near the Tumon area is quickly
11 deteriorating due to inadequate maintenance services; and

12 WHEREAS, monies have been spent on some positions of the
13 hospital while the entire complex continues to deteriorate; and

14 WHEREAS, the Legislature further finds that the present
15 tenants in the "old" Guam Memorial Hospital building include
16 the Offices of the Chief Medical Examiner (CMA), the Department
17 of Public Health Clinic, the National Institute of Neurological
18 Diseases, Disorders and Strokes, the hemodialysis unit, skill
19 nursing facility, intermediate care facility, mental health in-
20 patient ward, dietary service, laundry, pharmacy satellite,
21 micro-film room, storage area for supplies, and morgue; and

1 WHEREAS, there exists an irregular arrangement for rental
2 payments to GMHA wherein the Chief Medical Examiner pays and
3 other tenants do not, and it is not clear whether there are
4 statutory provisions in the law that allow the GMHA to charge
5 rent; and

6 WHEREAS, it has been found that the "old" Guam Memorial
7 Hospital facility has a total area of 161,759 sq. ft. of which
8 approximately 61,000 sq. ft. has the potential of being occupied
9 if improvements are made; and

10 WHEREAS, the Legislature also finds that there are forty-two
11 (42) government agencies and departments that are currently
12 paying rent aggregating \$2,103,299.14 per annum; ranging from a
13 low of \$5,272.00 to a high of \$418,495.20, while there is space
14 available at the "old" Guam Memorial Hospital facility; now,
15 therefore,

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

17 Section 1. The Governor shall prepare a study detailing
18 future use of the "old" Guam Memorial Hospital facility including
19 but not limited to:

- 20 (a) use as a medical facility;
21 (b) use as an office building;
22 (c) use as a convention center;
23 (d) sale and use of the proceeds to:
24 (1) improve the new Guam Memorial Hospital;
25 (2) construct an office building in Agana;
26 (3) repay obligations to the U. S. Government
27 due to discontinued use as a hospital.

28 Section 2. The Governor shall report his findings and
29 recommendations to the Legislature no later than August 1, 1981.

30 Section 3. Upon receipt of said study, the Legislature
31 shall conduct public hearings within thirty (30) days to consider
32 the alternatives presented by the Governor.