SIXTBENTH GUAM LEGISLATURE 1982 (SECOND) Regular Session

CERTIFICATION OF PASSAGE OF AN ACT TO THE GOVERNOR

This is to certify that Substitute Bill No. 785, "An Act to smend the General Corporation Law and the Uniform Securities Act to facilitate the formation and operation of Domestic Investment Companies and International Finance Companies", was on the 28th day of September 1982, duly and regularly passed.

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Speaker

THOMAS C. CRISOSTONO
Sonator and Legislative Secretary

This Act was received by the Governor this day of 1982, at o'clock M.

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Bill No. 785
(As Substituted by the Committee on Economic Development)

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AN ACT TO AMEND THE GENERAL CORPORATION LAW AND THE UNIFORM SECURITIES ACT TO FACILITATE THE FORMATION AND OPERATION OF DOMESTIC INVEST-MENT COMPANIES AND INTERNATIONAL PINANCE COMPANIES.

WHEREAS, this Legislature enacted Public Law 16-65 for the purpose of promoting the economic development of Guam by facilitating the formation and operation of Domestic Investment Companies and International Finance Companies, and providing for the regulation of the same; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to amend existing statutes to bring them into conformance with these purposes; now, therefore,

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

Section 1. Section 278 of the Civil Code is amended by adding the following two (2) new paragraphs at the end to read:

"'Investment Company' refers to any domestic corporation whose purpose includes or which does engage in the following activity:

(a) Investing, reinvesting or trading in or the acquisition or ownership of securities or other property from which any gross fixed or determinable annual or periodical gains, profits, and income shall be treated as income from sources without Guam in accordance with the provisions of Section 862 or Section 863 of the Guam Territorial Income Tax Law as its primary activity or engaging in the conduct of business as an investment company as defined in any law of the United States or of Guam (unless provision is made in its articles of incorporation that majority ownership must be held at all times beneficially and of record by individual residents in Guam).

'International Finance Company' refers to any domestic corporation whose purpose includes or which does engage in the following activity:

(a) Deriving at least fifty percent (50%) of its annual gross income as interest or similar fees or revenue from any of its stockholders or any affiliate of its stockholders or any person responsible for the existence of such stockholder relationship; and

(1) which either:

(i) has outstanding obligations with an original maturity date of longer than one (1) year in a principal amount greater than its capital;

(ii) which holds, as assets, obligations of any one debtor (including, for this purpose, obligations of all other entities which are under common control with a debtor) equal to an amount greater than such company's capital; or

(iii) which has at least fifty
percent (50%) of its obligations guaranteed as to principal or interest by any
one or more of its debtors or convertible into the securities of any one or
more of its debtors."

Section 2. Subsection (9) is added to Section 290 of the Civil Code to read:

ment Company or International Finance Company, its articles of incorporation shall state in compliance with the requirement of Subsection (2) of this Section, and in addition to any other statements in compliance therewith, that its purpose is to be an Investment Company or an International Finance Company, or both, as the case may be."

Section 3. Section 290a of the Civil Code is amended by adding the following new paragraph at the end to read:

"Before any corporation whose purpose includes, or is to include, that of an Investment Company or International Finance Company, or both, may file with the Director of Revenue and Taxation its articles or an amendment to its articles, or an agreement for consolidation or merger which would permit the corporation to conduct the business of acting as an Investment Company or International Finance Company, or both, there must be attached thereto a certificate of approval by the Administrator under the Uniform Securities Act indicating compliance with and satisfaction of the requirements of Section 45202 of the Government Code and any rules relating thereto prescribed by the Administrator pursuant to Section 45412 of the Government Code."

Section 4. Section 298 is added to the Civil Code to read:

"Section 298. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Title, an Investment Company or an International Finance Company may, if its articles of incorporation so provide as to any of the following:

- (a) Authorize the issuance of one or more classes of stock or one or more series of stock within any class thereof:
 - (1) any or all of which classes may be of stock with par value or stock without par value (in which case such amount as shall be capital of the issuer shall be designated not later than sixty (60) days following issue) and which classes or series may have such voting powers, full or limited, or no voting powers, and such designations, preferences and relative, participating, optional or other special rights, and qualifications, limitations, restrictions or prohibitions including, without limitation, restrictions or prohibitions on transfer, based upon the nationality or country of residence of a transferee thereof or other factors, as shall be stated

and expressed in the articles of incorporation or of any amendment thereto, or in the resolution or resolutions providing for the issuance of such stock adopted by the board of directors pursuant to authority expressly vested in it by the provisions of its articles of incorporation;

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- (2) which are redeemable or convertible into other securities, in whole or in part, at the option of the issuer;
- (3) which are redeemable at the option of the holder at a price approximately equal to the shares' proportionate interest in the net assets of the issuer, or convertible at the option of the holder into other securities, and a stockholder may compel redemption or conversion of such shares in accordance with their terms;
- (4) which if redeemed or converted may be retired or held as treasury shares as determined from time to time by the board of directors; and
- (5) which provide that no stockholder shall be entitled to cumulate votes in the election of directors as otherwise provided by Section 307 of this Code;
- (b) Issue fractional shares; and
- (c) Grant preemptive rights, if any, to the holders of any of its securities to subscribe to any or all additional issues of securities of the issuer or to any or all classes or series thereof."

"Section 5. Section 299 is added to the Civil Code to read:

"Section 299. Except as may otherwise be provided in
the articles of incorporation of an Investment Company or
an International Finance Company, the stockholders or
members of any such corporation shall not be personally
liable for the payment of the debts of any such corporation
except as they may be liable by reason of their own conduct
or acts, and, notwithstanding any other provision of this
Title, an Investment Company or an International Finance
Company, unless its articles of incorporation expressly
exclude the application of any of the following provisions:

- (a) May issue shares of its authorized but previously unissued stock and may dispose of treasury shares for such consideration (including cash, services rendered, personal or real property or leases thereof, or a combination of any of the foregoing) as is determined from time to time by the board of directors, provided that in the case of issuance of shares, such consideration shall have a value not less than the par value or capital value of such shares, as the case may be;
- (b) May amend its articles of incorporation by the affirmative vote of the holders of a majority of the stock entitled to vote; the holders of the outstanding shares of a class shall be entitled to vote as a class upon a proposed amendment, whether or not entitled to vote thereon by the provisions of the articles of incorporation, if the amendment would increase or decrease the aggregate number of authorized shares of such class, increase or decrease the

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par value of the shares of such class, or alter or change the powers, preferences or special rights of the shares of such class so as to affect them adversely; if any proposed amendment would alter or change the powers, preferences, or special rights of one or more series of any class so as to affect them adversely, but shall not so affect the entire class, then only the shares of the series so affected by the amendment shall be considered a separate class for the purposes of this subsection; and, if more than one class of stock or more than one series of any class are issued, the powers, designations, preferences and relative, participating, optional or other special rights of each class of stock or series thereof and the qualifications, limitations or restrictions of such preferences or rights shall be set forth in full or summarized on the face or back of the certificate representing shares of such class or series of stock, provided that in lieu of the foregoing requirements, there may be set forth on the face or back of such certificate a statement that the issuer will furnish without charge to each stockholder who so requests the powers, designations, preferences and relative, participating, optional or other special rights of each class of stock or series thereof and the qualifications, limitations or restrictions of such preferences or rights;

- (c) May authorize and make distributions to stockholders in cash, in-kind or in securities issued by it whenever and to the extent that:
 - (1) immediately after authorization thereof, its net assets, valued at the higher of either market or book and after giving effect to the proposed distribution, shall be at least equal in value to the

aggregate par value and capital value of the outstanding shares of its stock and, in the case of distribution of securities issued by it, such distribution would not reduce its net assets below the aggregate par and capital values of its outstanding stock as adjusted to reflect such distribution;

- (2) the total amount or value thereof (excluding distributions of shares of its steck) does not exceed its net profits for the fiscal year in which such distribution is authorized or the preceding fiscal year; or
- (3) the effect thereof would be to distribute up to all of the amount of which a specified portion thereof would have to be distributed to satisfy the requirements of Section 852(a)(l) of the Guam Territorial Income Tax Law; provided, however, that no stockholder shall be liable to any person with respect to any distribution received whether or not in violation hereof unless such stockholder shall have had actual knowledge at the time of receipt that such distribution was made in violation hereof;
- (d) May adopt, amend or repeal its by-laws by the affirmative vote of a majority of its entire board of directors or in such other manner as may be specified in its articles of incorporation; provided, however, that a copy of its by-laws, as amended, and certified by an officer of the corporation, shall be kept in the principal office of the corporation;
- (e) May issue, register and deliver certificates representing shares of its stock or any other securities

either in registered form or, subject to any rules made from time to time by the Administrator under the Uniform Securities Act governing the issuance of bearer securities by an Investment Company or an International Finance Company, in bearer form:

- (f) May authorize the use of facsimiles for any or all signatures on certificates representing securities of the corporation; and if any officer, transfer agent or registrar who has signed or whose facsimile signature has been placed upon a certificate shall have ceased to be such officer, transfer agent or registrar before such certificate is issued, the certificate may be issued by the issuer with the same effect as if such person were an officer, transfer agent or registrar at the date of issue;
- (g) May, in addition to or in lieu of the issuance of certificates representing securities of the corporation, adopt a system of issuance, recordation or transfer of its securities by electronic or other means not involving any issuance of certificates, including provisions for notice to purchasers in substitution for the delivery of such certificates and for any statement thereon necessary to comply with Subsection (b) of this Section; and
- (h) May issue a new certificate representing securities of the corporation in the place of any certificate theretofore issued by it, alleged to have been lost, stolen or destroyed, and the corporation may require the owner of the lost, stolen or destroyed cartificate, or his legal representative, to give the corporation a bond sufficient to indomnify it against any claim that may be made against it on account of the alleged loss, theft or destruction of any such certificate or the issuance of such new certificate."

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Section 6. Section 300 is added to the Civil Code to read:

"Section 300. (a) The following provisions of this Title shall not apply to any Investment Company or to any International Finance Company:

- (1) Section 292;
- (2) Section 293:
- (3) Section 295(c):
- (4) Section 301;
- (5) Section 302, to the extent (i) that notice to any stockholder whether in or absent from Guam may be delivered and served by depositing the same with any office or collection facility of the United States mail, first class postage prepaid addressed to such stockholder at his address of record as shown by the books of the corporation and service of said notice may be proved prima facie by an affidavit of the person making such deposit, and (ii) no posting of any notice shall be required;
 - (6) Section 304:
- (7) Section 305, to the extent (i) that directors need not be elected from among the holders of stock, or, where there is no stock, from the members of the corporation, and (ii) that any contractual arrangement duly authorized by the board of directors shall otherwise provide for the management or administration of its business or property;
- (8) Section 306, and no efficer shall be required to own any shares of the capital stock of the corporation of which he is an officer:

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(2) No individual shall serve as director of a Public Finance Corporation unless such individual owns at least one (1) share of the capital stock of such corporation;

- (3) At least one director of a Public Finance Corporation shall be a resident of Guam; and
- (4) As used in this subsection, the term 'Public Finance Corporation' means a stock corporation that is an Investment Company and has more than thirty-five (35) shareholders of record."

Section 7. Section 361 is added to the Civil Code to read: "Section 361. Whenever any person shall be organized or formed or exist under the laws of this territory other than as a corporation incorporated pursuant to this Title which if it were such a corporation would be an Investment Company or International Finance Company and is an association taxable as a corporation pursuant to the provisions of the Guam Territorial Income Tax Law, it shall be deemed an Investment Company or an International Finance Company, as the case may be, and may exercise the powers and be subject to the restrictions applicable pursuant to this Title to an Investment Company or International Finance Company as the case may be, except for provisions of this Title for corporate procedures which would be manifestly inapplicable to such person, but subject to such rules as may be issued by the administrator under the Uniform Securities Act." Section 8. Subsection (11) is added to Section 303 of the Civil Code to read:

"(11) In the case of an Investment Company or an International Finance Company (i) such rights of inspection,

if any, by a director or stockholder of the corporation's by-laws, list of stockholders, stock and transfer books, records of business transactions and any other books and records of the corporation, and (ii) provision for the indemnification of directors, officers, employees and agents of the corporation against liabilities arising or asserted against them as such, and expenses arising in connection therewith."

Section 9. Subsection (a) of Section 45202 of the Government Code is amended to read:

- "(a) It is unlawful for any person to transact
 business within this territory or to maintain any place of
 business in the territory or, if incorporated, organized or
 formed under the laws of this territory, to transact
 business or maintain any place of business as either an
 investment company or as an international finance company,
 or both, unless such person:
 - (1) shall have filed a notification of intention with respect thereto with the Administrator under this Title together with a nonrefundable filing fee of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500); and
 - (2) shall have in response to such notification of intention been issued a receipt of satisfactory notification by the Administrator, which receipt has not been withdrawn."

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- "(e) For the purpose of this Title, 'Investment Company' shall have the same meaning (i) as it would have pursuant to Section 3(a) of the United States Investment Company Act of 1940, without excluding any securities from the definition of 'investment securities' contained in the final sentence thereof, provided that the Administrator by rule may provide for exemptions or exclusions from such meaning consistent with Section 3 of the Investment Company Act of 1940 of the United States where the company's business activity, assets and ownership. are substantially located in Guam or under such exemptions and exclusions, consistent with Section 3(b) or (c) of such Act upon substantial compliance with the procedures provided for under Subsection (c) of this Section, or (ii) as it has under any other law of the United States or Guam and 'International Finance Company' shall mean any company:
 - (1) which is not an 'investment company';
 - (2) which derives at least fifty percent (50%) of its annual gross income as interest or similar fees or revenue from any of its stockholders, or any affiliate of its stockholders or any person responsible for the existence of such stockholder relationship; and

(3) which either:

- (i) has outstanding obligations with an original maturity date of longer than one (1) year in a principal amount greater than its capital;
- (ii) which holds, as assets, obligations of any one debtor (including, for this purpose,

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obligations of all other entities which are under common ownership control with a debtor) equal to an amount greater than such company's capital; or

(iii) which has at least fifty percent (50%) of its obligations guaranteed as to principal or interest by any one or more of its debtors or convertible into the securities of any one or more of its debtors.

Section 11. Item (13) is added to Subsection (b) of Section 45402 of the Government Code to read:

"(13) any offer or sale of securities of an Investment Company or an International Finance Company to an offeree or purchaser who is neither a citizen nor a resident of the United States or of Guam."

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