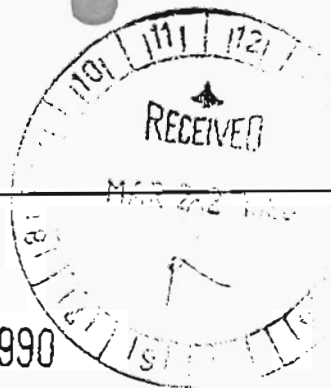




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AGANA, GUAM 96910 U.S.A.



MAR 21 1990

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The Honorable Joe T. San Agustin  
Speaker, Twentieth Guam Legislature  
Post Office Box CB-1  
Agana, Guam 96910

Dear Mr. Speaker:

Transmitted herewith is Bill No. 993, which I have signed into law this date  
as Public Law No. 20-157.

Sincerely,

*Joseph F. Ada*  
JOSEPH F. ADA  
Governor

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Attachment




TWENTIETH GUAM LEGISLATURE  
1990 (SECOND) Regular Session

CERTIFICATION OF PASSAGE OF AN ACT TO THE GOVERNOR


This is to certify that Substitute Bill No. 993 (LS), "AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE ERECTION OF A MEMORIAL TO HONOR THOSE WHO WERE KILLED IN THE FENA LAKE MASSACRE OF JULY 19, 1944," was on the 7th day of March, 1990, duly and regularly passed.

  
JOE T. SAN AGUSTÍN  
Speaker

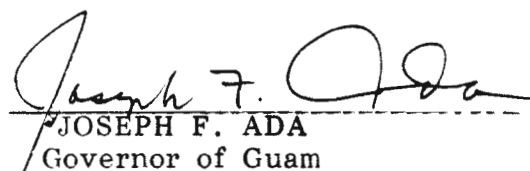
Attested:

  
PILAR C. LUJAN  
Senator and Legislative Secretary

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This Act was received by the Governor this 9th day of March, 1990,  
at 5:00 o'clock p.m.

  
Theresa J. Duenas  
Assistant Staff Officer  
Governor's Office

APPROVED:

  
JOSEPH F. ADA  
Governor of Guam

Date: MAR 21 1990

Public Law No. 20-157

TWENTIETH GUAM LEGISLATURE  
1989 (FIRST) Regular Session

Bill No. 993 (LS)  
As substituted by the Committee on  
Youth, Senior Citizens, Cultural  
Affairs and Human Resources and  
further substituted by the Committee  
on Rules.

Introduced by:

F. R. Santos  
H. D. Dierking  
E. P. Arriola

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J. G. Bamba  
J. T. San Agustin  
M. Z. Bordallo  
T. S. Nelson  
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E. R. Duenas  
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M. D. A. Manibusan  
M. C. Ruth  
T. V. C. Tanaka  
A. R. Unpingco

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE ERECTION OF  
A MEMORIAL TO HONOR THOSE WHO WERE  
KILLED IN THE FENA LAKE MASSACRE OF  
JULY 19, 1944.

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE TERRITORY OF GUAM:  
2 Section 1. Intent and purpose.  
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4 prepared a list of able-bodied Chamorros to be used as forced labor for the  
5 transfer of ammunition from Apaka Point, Agat to the Talayfac areas south  
6 of the village of Agat, as part of the Japanese preparation for the  
7 inevitable invasion by American forces; and

1           WHEREAS, at the onset of the American bombardment and shelling,  
2 these able-bodied Chamorros were forced to flee to the area around Fena  
3 Lake, and were herded together by Japanese soldiers and made to stay in  
4 caves in the area called Atdutgan, and for two days were brutally force  
5 marched from cave to cave; and

6           WHEREAS, on July 19, 1944, these Chamorros were divided by the  
7 Japanese into two groups with each group being forced into small caves in  
8 the area, and in the evening of that day, the enemy forces began the  
9 methodical and systematic massacre of all these innocent Chamorros with  
10 machine gun fire and grenade explosions, following which the Japanese  
11 soldiers entered the caves, trying to kill the wounded with their bayonets  
12 and with lances made of sharpened bamboo; and

13           WHEREAS, amazingly, there are survivors of this brutal massacre,  
14 which has largely gone unknown and unsung for these many years, and  
15 which would have gone untold except for the research performed for the  
16 Guam War Reparations Committee; now, therefore,

17           It is of the consensus of the Legislature that the Chamorros who died  
18 and the Chamorros who survived the Fena Lake Massacre should be  
19 appropriately recognized and honored for their supreme sacrifice.

20           Section 2. Design of memorial. The Department of Parks and  
21 Recreation (the "Department") is hereby authorized to and shall prepare a  
22 design for the erection of a memorial in honor of those Chamorros who died  
23 and who survived the Fena Lake Massacre. The final design of the  
24 memorial shall be approved by the Governor; provided, however, that the  
25 memorial shall prominently display the names and villages of all those who  
26 were killed or who survived the brutal massacre on the shores of Fena  
27 Lake.

28           Section 3. Location. The memorial in honor of the victims of the Fena  
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31 National Park Service for approval to so build the memorial thereat.  
32 However, if approval cannot be obtained by July 31, 1990, the Governor of  
33 Guam shall designate Lot No. 443, Part 1-2, Municipality of Agat, as the  
34 alternate site for the memorial.

1           Section 4. Legislative approval. Upon completion of the design for  
2 the Fena Lake Massacre Memorial, and its approval by the Governor, the  
3 Department shall present such designs and plans to the Legislature,  
4 together with a cost estimate for the final construction and erection of the  
5 memorial.

6           Section 5. History of the massacre. The Department shall do all in  
7 its ability and what is necessary to develop a final listing of all Chamorros  
8 who were killed and all who survived these brutal murders. The  
9 Department shall, utilizing as much as possible those who survived the  
10 slaughter, develop the history of the massacre, which history of this  
11 incident shall be bound and placed with the Micronesian Area Research  
12 Center, with copies provided to the survivors and to the heirs of those who  
13 died.

TWENTIETH GUAM LEGISLATURE  
1989 (FIRST) Regular Session

ROLL CALL SHEET

Bill No. 993

Date: 3/7/90

Resolution No. \_\_\_\_\_

QUESTION: \_\_\_\_\_

	<u>AYE</u>	<u>NAY</u>	<u>NOT VOTING</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
J. P. Aguon	✓			
E. P. Arriola	✓			
J. G. Bamba		✓		
M. Z. Bordallo	✓			
D. F. Brooks		✓		
H. D. Dierking	✓			
E. R. Duenas			✓	
E. M. Espaldon		✓		
C. T. C. Gutierrez	✓			
P. C. Lujan	✓			
G. Mailloux	✓			
M. D. A. Manibusan		✓		
T. S. Nelson	✓			
D. Parkinson	✓			
F. J. A. Quitugua	✓			
E. D. Reyes	✓			
M. C. Ruth		✓		
J. T. San Agustin	✓			
F. R. Santos	✓			
T. V. C. Tanaka		✓		
A. R. Unpingco		✓		

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**SENATOR ELIZABETH P. ARRIOLA**

*Chairperson*

Committee on Youth, Senior Citizens,  
Cultural Affairs and Human Resources



**Twentieth**  
Guam Legislature

February 27, 1990

The Honorable Joe T. San Agustin  
Speaker  
Twentieth Guam Legislature  
163 Chalan Santo Papa  
Agana, Guam 96910

VIA: Chairman, Committee on Rules

Dear Mr. Speaker:

The Committee on Youth, Senior Citizens, Cultural Affairs and Human Resources to which was referred Bill No. 993 (LS), "AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE ERECTION OF A MEMORIAL TO HONOR THOSE WHO WERE KILLED IN THE FENA LAKE MASSACRES ON JULY 14, 1944.", has had the same under consideration and now wishes to report back its recommendation.

Committee votes received:

<u>TO DO PASS</u>	<u>NOT TO PASS</u>	<u>REPORT OUT</u>	<u>OTHER</u>
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Attached herewith are the Committee Report and other pertinent documents for your perusal.

Sincerely,

*Elizabeth P. Arriola*  
ELIZABETH P. ARRIOLA

Attachments

# VOTE SHEET

THE COMMITTEE ON YOUTH, SENIOR CITIZENS,  
CULTURAL AFFAIRS AND HUMAN RESOURCES

On Bill No. 993 (LS) - *as substituted by the Committee*  
"AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE ERECTION OF A MEMORIAL OF THOSE WHO WERE  
KILLED IN FENA LAKE MASSACRES ON JULY 19, 1944."

Chairperson:	To Pass	Not To Pass	Report Out	Inactive File
<u>Elizabeth P. Arriola</u> Elizabeth P. Arriola	✓			
Members:				
<u>Frank R. Santos</u> Frank R. Santos	✓			
<u>J. George Bamba</u> J. George Bamba	✓			
<u>Madeleine Bordallo</u> Madeleine Bordallo	✓			
<u>Herminia Dierking</u> Herminia Dierking	✓			
<u>Edward Duenas</u> Edward Duenas	✓			
<u>Ernesto Espaldon</u> Ernesto Espaldon	✓			
<u>Pilar C. Lujan</u> Pilar C. Lujan	✓			
<u>Gordon Mailloux</u> Gordon Mailloux	✓			
<u>Ted S. Nelson</u> Ted S. Nelson	✓			
<u>Edward D. Reyes</u> Edward D. Reyes	✓			
<u>Martha C. Ruth</u> Martha C. Ruth	✓ 2/27/90			
<u>Joe T. San Agustin</u> Joe T. San Agustin				



COMMITTEE REPORT  
OF THE  
COMMITTEE ON YOUTH, SENIOR CITIZENS, CULTURAL  
AFFAIRS AND HUMAN RESOURCES  
ON BILL NO. 993 (LS)

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE  
ERECTION OF A MEMORIAL TO  
HONOR THE MEMORY OF THOSE  
WHO WERE KILLED IN FENA LAKE  
MASSACRES ON  
JULY 19, 1944.

PREFACE

A public hearing on Bill No. 993 was held by the Committee on Youth, Senior Citizens, Cultural Affairs, and Human Resources on Monday, October 23, 1989, at the Legislative Session Hall.

Present at the hearing were Chairperson, Senator Elizabeth P. Arriola and attended by Senators Frank R. Santos, Edward R. Reyes, Pilar C. Lujan, Martha C. Ruth, Edward R. Duenas, and Thomas V. C. Tanaka.

TESTIMONY

Santa Rita Mayor Greg Borja testified that the Bill is "long overdue" to honor those who were killed in "Fena Valley Massacres" in July 1944. Mayor Borja added that recognition should also be accorded to other Agat and Santa Rita residents who were killed by the Japanese Occupation Forces elsewhere during the war.

Messrs. Jose Cruz and Joaquin Cruz, survivors of the Fena Massacres, testified in support of Bill 993. They recommended that the Bill be amended to reflect the actual sites where some of the events took place leading to the massacre at Fena. Mr Jose Cruz stated that Gaan Point would be a more appropriate site to build the memorial. The Committee noted that Gaan Point in Agat is within the War in the Pacific National Historical Park.

Mr. Tony Mariano, Director of Parks and Recreation, supported the intent of Bill 993. The Department of Parks and Recreation is tasked with the historical research to document the events, and to prepare design and plans for the memorial.

Antonio Babauta, Mayor, Municipality of Agat, testified that the idea of erecting a memorial for the victims of the "Fena Massacre" had been discussed in the past with the United States Navy and the United States National Park Service. When asked if there would be objection to have the memorial erected at a site other than Gaan Point, Mayor Babauta replied that Gaan Point would be the more preferable site. He added, however, that this option may cause delay on the project because the government of Guam has to request approval from the federal government to erect the memorial at Gaan Point. Mayor Babauta then suggested that the memorial may be built on a government of Guam owned property situated between the existing Agat Community Center and the fire station.

Senator Frank Santos asked Ralph Reyes, U.S. Department of Interior National Park Service Representative, if the National Park Service would have any objection to having the memorial built at Gaan Point, Mr. Reyes answered that the National Park Service would Probably have no

objection but the process of obtaining approval may delay the project.

Senator Ruth urged the Department of Parks and Recreation to research and establish a register of sites where Chamorros were killed by the Japanese Occupation Forces during the war. She suggested that the project should be expeditiously accomplished while some of the survivors are still living to document events they actually experienced.

Senators Reyes and Lujan stated that they support the idea of erecting a memorial to honor all Chamorros killed during World War II.

There being no further testimony, the Chairperson concluded the hearing on Bill No. 993.

### **COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

The Committee on Youth, Senior Citizens, Cultural Affairs, and Human Resources wishes to report Bill No. 993 (LS), "*AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE ERECTION OF A MEMORIAL TO HONOR THE MEMORY OF THOSE WHO WERE KILLED IN FENA LAKE MASSACRES ON JULY 19, 1944,*" has had the same under consideration, and now wishes to report back the same with the recommendation of the Committee members **TO DO PASS** as substituted by the Committee.

### **ATTACHMENTS**

1. Written testimony from Mr. Tony Mariano, Director, Department of Parks and Recreation.
2. Written Testimony from Mr. Greg M. Borja, Mayor, Municipality of Santa Rita.

Twentieth Guam Legislature  
1989 (FIRST) Regular Session

Bill No. 993 (LS)  
*as Substituted by the  
Committee on Youth, Senior Citizens, Cultural Affairs  
and Human Resources*

Introduced by:

F. R. Santos  
H. D. Dierking  
E. P. Arriola

J. G. RAMA  
*[Handwritten signatures]*

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6 Forces were preparing for the inevitable invasion by American forces; and

7 WHEREAS, at the onset of bombardment and shelling by American Forces these able-bodied  
8 Chamorros were caught in the bombardment and forced to flee to the area around Fena Lake; and

9 WHEREAS, these Chamorros were again "herded" by Japanese soldiers in the areas around Fena  
10 Lake and forced to stay in caves in that those areas called Atdutgan and for two days forced to march from  
11 cave to cave; and

12 WHEREAS, on July 19, 1944, these Chamorros were divided by the Japanese Forces into two  
13 groups and each group was forced into small caves in the Fena Lake area; and

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1 these innocent Chamorros with machine gun fire and grenade explosions whereafter, Japanese soldiers  
2 entered the caves killing the wounded with their bayonets and lances made of sharpened bamboo; and

3 **WHEREAS**, there are survivors of this brutal massacre which has largely gone unknown and untold  
4 for these many years and would have gone untold except that it was made known and public during the  
5 research performed for the Guam War Reparations Committee;

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8 **Section 2.** The Department of Parks and Recreation is hereby authorized to and shall prepare designs  
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15 United States Department of Interior National Park Service for approval to build the memorial at Gaan  
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26 of kin of those who suffered through this atrocity.

Introduced

TWENTIETH GUAM LEGISLATURE  
 FIRST REGULAR (1989) SESSION

SEP 2 '89

Bill No. 993 (LS)

Introduced by:

F.R. Santos  
*[Signature]*

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE ERECTION OF A MEMORIAL  
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- WHEREAS: at the onset of bombardment and shelling by American Forces these able-bodied Chamorros were caught in the bombardment and forced to flee to the area around Fena Lake; and
- WHEREAS: these Chamorros were again "herded" by Japanese soldiers in the areas around Fena Lake and forced to stay in caves in that those areas called Atdutgan and for two days forced to march from cave to cave; and
- WHEREAS: on July 19, 1944, these Chamorros were divided by the Japanese Forces into two groups and each group was forced into small caves in the Fena Lake area; and
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- WHEREAS: there are only three survivors of this brutal massacre which has largely gone unknown and untold for these many years and would have gone untold except that it was made known and public during the research performed for the Guam War Reparations Committee;

the Guam Legislature is of the consensus that the Chamorros who died and the Chamorros who survived the Fena Lake Massacres should be recognized and honored for their supreme sacrifice.

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Section 5. The Department of Parks and Recreation shall report to the Governor of Guam and to the Speaker of the Guam Legislature, within 30 days of the enactment of the provisions herein, its preliminary plan of approach for this project.

Section 6. It is the intent and desire of the Legislature that this project be accomplished within one year of the enactment of the provisions herein.

SENATOR

10-5-89  
Dmc

HERMINIA D. DIERKING

1011 LEGISLATURE

October 4, 1989

MEMORANDUM

TO: Chairperson, Committee on Youth, Human Resources, Senior Citizens & Cultural Affairs

FROM: Chairperson, Committee on Rules

SUBJECT: Referral - Bill No. 993.

The above Bill is referred to your Committee. Please note that the referral is subject to ratification by the Committee on Rules at its next meeting.

*H. Dierking*  
HERMINIA D. DIERKING

Enclosure



DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION

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Director

DENNIS M. ZERMENO  
Deputy Director

OCT 23 1989

Honorable Elizabeth P. Arriola  
Chairperson, Committee on Youth,  
Senior Citizens, Cultural Affairs  
and Human Resources  
Twentieth Guam Legislature  
163 Chalan Santo Papa  
Agana, GU 96910

Dear Senator Arriola:

I am here to testify on Bill No. 993, an act to authorize the erection of a memorial to honor the memory of those who were killed in the Fena massacre on July 19, 1944.

The Department of Parks and Recreation is in strong support of the intent and purpose of this bill, which seeks to appropriately record and memorialize a tragic massacre of Chamorro people during a state of War.

The Department of Parks and Recreation is given two separate but coordinated tasks by the bill. The first is to select an appropriate place for the memorial, make a design and plan acceptable to the Governor, and to estimate the costs of construction for the memorial as designed.

The second task is that of professional historical research to document the events and to identify the persons who should be named on the memorial. This research will also require substantial investments of effort for recording interviews on tape, transcribing the interviews, compiling the results, cross-checking and verifying accounts, and follow-up interviews to attempt to resolve questions that arise from the first interviews.

The Department is also required to report back to the Legislature with an initial plan of action for accomplishing these tasks. We feel that 120 days would be a more appropriate period for producing this report. At that time we would also anticipate requesting appropriate funds for support of the specific tasks detailed in that report.

As a technical correction, we would prefer to use the title "Fena Valley Massacres" since the Fena Reservoir was not constructed at that time, and some confusion about the present lake could result.



COMMENTS ON BILL NO. 993  
PAGE 2

We should also suggest another related action, that of urging the U.S. Navy to conduct its own historical study as authorized by Section 110 of the National Historic Preservation Act, to determine to the best degree possible the actual massacre locations and to nominate these to the National Register of Historic Places. In addition to a memorial at a publicly accessible overlook, we should also urge the Navy to seek a memorial at the actual locations and to consider allowing public access for memorial ceremonies.

Therefore, with these considerations, we support enactment of Bill No. 993.

Sincerely,

  
ANTHONY C. MARIANO  
State Historic Preservation Officer

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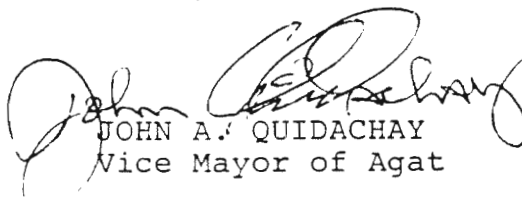
October 23, 1989

TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF BILL #993

GOOD MORNING LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, MEMBERS OF THIS COMMITTEE. FIRST OF ALL, I WOULD LIKE TO THANK YOU FOR GIVING ME THE OPPORTUNITY TO TESTIFY ON THIS IMPORTANT BILL.

MY NAME IS JOHN A. QUIDACHAY. I AM THE VICE MAYOR OF THIS VILLAGE. THIS IS A VERY IMPORTANT BILL FOR OUR VILLAGE BECAUSE MANY OF OUR PEOPLE WERE KILLED ON THAT DAY AT FENA, IT IS A SAD TRAGEDY WHICH STILL HURTS THOSE WHO SURVIVED AS WELL AS OTHERS WHO NEVER EXPERIENCED BUT HEARD ABOUT THIS MASSACRE. THE CHAMORROS WHO DIED WERE OUR ANCESTORS AND IT IS ABOUT TIME WE DO SOMETHING IN HONOR OF THEIR MEMORY. ONE SURVIVOR IS A NEIGHBOR AND COUSIN, MS. ROSA T. GARRIDO HAS A SCAR ON HER ANKLE FROM THE WOUNDS OF A MACHINE GUN IN THE FENA CAVE. SHE WAS SAVED BY MY FATHER WHO FOUND HER AND TOOK CARE OF HER. SO WITH THIS IN MIND, I WOULD LIKE TO SAY THAT I AM IN FAVOR OF BILL #993.

THANK YOU, DANKULO NA SI YU'OS MA'ASI', MARAMING SALAMAT PO!

  
JOHN A. QUIDACHAY  
Vice Mayor of Agat

OCT 02 '89

Bill No. 993 (LS)

Introduced by:

F.R. Santos

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display the names and villages of all those who were killed and/or survived the brutal massacre on the shores of Fena Lake.

Section 3. Upon completion of the design and plans for the Fena Lake Massacre Memorial, the Department of Parks and Recreation shall present such designs and plans, with the plans for its location, to the Guam Legislature together with a cost estimate for the final construction and erection of the Memorial and, if necessary, the costs for acquisition of the property on which such Memorial shall stand.

Section 4. The Department of Parks and Recreation shall do all in its ability and what is necessary to develop a final listing of all Chamorros killed and/or who survived these brutal murders. The Department shall contact and utilize as much as possible those who survived the massacre in order to develop the history of the massacre. The findings of the Department of Parks and Recreation relative to this incident shall be bound and placed with the Micronesian Area Research Center with copies provided to the surviving next of kin of those who suffered through this atrocity.

Section 5. The Department of Parks and Recreation shall report to the Governor of Guam and to the Speaker of the Guam Legislature, within 30 days of the enactment of the provisions herein, its preliminary plan of approach for this project.

Section 6. It is the intent and desire of the Legislature that this project be accomplished within one year of the enactment of the provisions herein.