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Date 9-30-97

The Honorable Antonio R. Unpingco Speaker Twenty-Fourth Guam Legislature Guam Legislature Temporary Building 155 Hesler Street Agana, Guam 96910

Dear Speaker Unpingco:

Enclosed please find a copy of Bill No. 279 (COR), "AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION TO REVIEW, EVALUATE AND SUBMIT AMENDED MAPPING AND RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE AREAS FROM THE TALOFOFO SHORELINE TO MERIZO.", which I have signed into law today as Public Law No. 24-74.

Public Law No. 23-89 regulated the use of motorized water craft on the eastern coast of Guam, from Mannel Channel to Pati Point, Yigo. Prior to the passage of this bill, the public hearing was directed to the residents of Chalan Pago on the eastern coast.

This legislation offers an opportunity for the residents of Talofofo, Inarajan, and Merizo, as well as Yona, Mangilao, and Yigo, to provide input on the recreational water use plan for the area. Should there be some changes desired by the residents of these areas, the Department of Parks and Recreation will then be authorized to implement the changes.

Very truly yours,

Carl T. C. Gutierrez Governor of Guam

Attachment

cc: The Honorable Joanne M. S. Brown Legislative Secretary

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### TWENTY-FOURTH GUAM LEGISLATURE 1997 (FIRST) Regular Session

#### CERTIFICATION OF PASSAGE OF AN ACT TO THE GOVERNOR

This is to certify that Bill No. 279 (COR), "AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION TO REVIEW, EVALUATE AND SUBMIT AMENDED MAPPING AND RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE AREAS FROM THE TALOFOFO SHORELINE to MERIZO," was on the 15th day of September, 1997, duly and regularly passed.

ANTHONY C. BLAZ Acting Speaker Attested: ÍOANNE M.S. BROWN Senator and Legislative Secretary This Act was received by the Governor this <u>2444</u> day of <u>September</u>, 1997, at 5:00 o'clock P.M. Assistant Staff Officer Governor's Office

APPROVED:

CARL T. C. GUTIERREZ Governor of Guam

Date: <u>9-30-97</u>

Public Law No. 24-74

### TWENTY-FOURTH GUAM LEGISLATURE 1997 (FIRST) Regular Session

Bill No. 279 (COR)

As amended on the Floor.

Introduced By:

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AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION TO REVIEW, EVALUATE AND SUBMIT AMENDED MAPPING AND RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE AREAS FROM THE TALOFOFO SHORELINE TO MERIZO.

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

P.L. No. 23-89 was enacted, which prohibited the use of motorized water recreational craft on the eastern coast from Mannel Channel to Pati Point, Yigo, only the input of Chalan Pago residents were solicited in the July 3, 1995 public hearing. The Guam Legislature further finds that although the law effects the southern villages of Talofofo, Inarajan and Merizo, it is unfair that input from residents of these villages were not solicited and their concerns were overlooked.

Section 2. The Department of Parks and Recreation shall review, reevaluate, and if needed, submit amended mapping and Rules and Regulations to re-regulate P.L. No. 23-89 for the areas from the Talofofo shoreline to Merizo. The Department of Parks and Recreation shall work with the individual mayors and municipal planning councils to establish a water use plan governing the use of motorized water recreational crafts.



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September 10, 1997

The Honorable Antonio R. Unpingco Speaker, 24<sup>th</sup> Guam Legislature Agana, Guam

via: Committee on Rules

Dear Mr. Speaker:

The Committee on Power, Foreign Affairs & General Government Services, to which was referred Bill No. 279 "An act to authorize the Department of Parks and Recreation to review, evaluate and submit amended mapping and rules and regulations for the areas from the Talofofo shoreline to Merizo" with the recommendation TO DO PASS.

Votes of committee members are as follows:

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	Not To Pass
	To The Inactive File
	Abstained
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4	Not Available

Sincerely,

Felix P. Camacho

Attachments

# COMMITTEE ON POWER, FOREIGN AFFAIRS & GENERAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES

## TWENTY-FOURTH GUAM LEGISLATURE

155 Hesler Street, Agana, Guam 96910

Chairman: Senator Felix P. Camacho Vice Chairman: Senator Lawrence F. Kasperbauer Ex-Officio Member: Speaker Antonio R. Unpingco

## **VOTING SHEET ON:**

Bill No. 279 "An act to authorize the Department of Parks and Recreation to review, evaluate and submit amended mapping and rules and regulations for the areas from the Talofofo shoreline to Merizo"

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# COMMITTEE ON POWER, FOREIGN AFFAIRS & GENERAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES TWENTY-FOURTH GUAM LEGISLATURE 155 Hesler Street, Agana, Guam 96910

#### COMMITTEE REPORT

ON

Bill No. 279

"An act to authorize the Department of Parks and Recreation to review, evaluate and submit amended mapping and rules and regulations for the areas from the Talofofo shoreline to Merizo"

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# COMMITTEE REPORT POWER, FOREIGN AFFAIRS & GENERAL GOVERNMENT SERVICS

#### Bill No. 279

"An act to authorize the Department of Parks and Recreation to review, evaluate and submit amended mapping and rules and regulations for the areas from the Talofofo shoreline to Merizo"

#### **PUBLIC HEARING**

The Committee on Power, Foreign Affairs & General Government Services (CPFA&GGS) held a public hearing on Monday, July 7, 1997, at 9:00 a.m. to hear testimony on Bill No. 279 "An act to authorize the Department of Parks and Recreation to review, evaluate and submit amended mapping and rules and regulations for the areas from the Talofofo shoreline to Merizo". The hearing was called to order by Senator Felix P. Camacho, Chairman of CPFA&GGS.

#### MEMBERS PRESENT

Senators Lawrence Kasperbauer Vice-Chairman

Senator Edwardo Cruz

Senator Francisco P. Camacho

Senator Vicente Pangelinan

Senator Tom Ada

Senator Lou Leon Guerrero

Member

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Member

#### PRESENT TO TESTIFY

None

#### **BACKGROUND**

When Public Law No. 23-89 was enacted, a law which prohibited the use of motorized water recreational craft on the eastern coast from Mannel Channel to Pati Point, Yigo, only input from the residents of Chalan Pago were solicited. Because the law affected all residents along the eastern coastline greater input should be solicited and if need be, amend the regulations in direct response to the input of concerned residents living along the coastline. The Department of Parks and Recreation is charged with administering the law and can effectively solicit the input from all east coastline residents. This bill authorizes the Department to accomplish this task and resolve the concerns of residents living within the affected areas.

#### TESTIMONY AND DISCUSSION

Senator Felix Camacho, Chairman, recognized the author of the bill since no one was present to testify on the measure.

**Senator Francisco Camacho** briefly explained the intent and purpose of this bill as summarized above and as detailed in the bill.

Mayor Vicente Taitague from Talofofo, provided written testimony supporting the bill. He states that because of his village resident interest in tourism and use of its surrounding resources, this bill gives residents a second opportunity to address the recreational water use management plan in his district.

**BBMR** granted a waiver on the Fiscal Note dated August 8, 1997, because the proposed legislation is administrative in nature.

#### **FINDINGS**

The Committee finds that Bill No. 279 can be reported out without changes.

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

The Committee on Power, Foreign Affairs & General Government Services hereby reports out Bill No. 279 with the recommendation TO DO PASS.

# From The Desk Of ... $\longrightarrow$ , - Mayor $\longrightarrow$

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July 30, 1997

The Honorable Felix P. Camacho Chairman, Committee on Power, Foreign Affairs, & General Government Services 24th Guam Legislature Agana, Guam 96910

Dear Mr. Chairman:

I regret that I was unable to appear before your committee and personally present my testimony on Bill No.

> "AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION TO REVIEW, EVALUATE AND SUBMIT AMENDED MAPPING AND RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE AREAS FROM THE TALOFOFO SHORELINE TO MERIZO".

I am proud to report to you, Mr. Chairman and members of the Twenty-Fourth Guam Legislature that Talofofo is actively involved in the visitor's industry. Infrastructures are in place and . several businesses, such as Jeff's Pirates Cove, Tenorio's Chamorro Garden, the Jungle River Cruise, Talofofo Golf Resort, Talofofo WaterFalls and Ipan Beach Resort, are already catering to the needs of our visitors. Tourists can also be seen daily traversing through Talofofo Yokoi's famous cave or off-roading through our pristine Bubulao Valley. The residents of Talofofo will continue to establish facilities that will be conducive to our visitor's industry.

Mr. Chairman, Tourism is very competitive business. Whoever provides the optium services will get the business. Our hills, valley, mountain, rivers, and caves, cultural display and the beautiful Southeastern shores does not maximize our promotional opportunities.

Mr. Chairman, the intent of Bill No. 279, is to authorized the use of Motorized Water Recreational Craft along the Southeastern shores. The passage of Bill No. 279 will maximize the use of our limited resources coupled with the creation of jobs.

The Southern residents are working hard to get their fair share of the tourism dollar and Bill No. 279 is on the right direction. It is a win-win situation.

In view of the above, the residents of Talofofo fully support the passage of Bill No. 279.

Sir, fisherman's concern and others will be addressed at the appropriate municipal public hearing.

As always, please feel free to contact my office for additional information.

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VICENTE S. TAITAGUE



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The Bureau requests that Bil	l No(s)	279(COR)	be granted a waiver	pursuant to

Public Law 12-229 for the following reasons:

Bill No. 279 authorizes the Department of Parks and Recreation to review, evaluate, and submit amended mapping and rules and regulations to re-regulate P.L. 23-89, if necessary, for the areas from the Talofofo shoreline to Merizo. The Recreational Water Use Management Plan, enacted per P.L. 23-89, prohibited the use of Motorized Water Recreational Craft from Mannel Channel to Pati Point, Yigo. However, only input from residents of Chalan Pago were solicited. Since the Plan affected the southern villages of Talofofo, Inarajan, and Merizo, the intent of the proposed legislation is to also solicit input from residents of these southern villages. The proposed legislation is administrative in nature.





