



CARL T.C. GUTIERREZ  
GOVERNOR OF GUAM

DEC 31 2002

The Honorable Joanne M. S. Brown  
Legislative Secretary  
I Mina'Bente Singko na Liheslaturan Guåhan  
Twenty-Fifth Guam Legislature  
Suite 200  
130 Aspinal Street  
Hagåtña, Guam 96910

Dear Legislative Secretary Brown:

Enclosed please find Bill No. 425 (COR), "AN ACT TO *ADD* § 835 TO TITLE 1 OF THE GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO RENAMING THE GUAM ARMY NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER THE 'BRIGADIER GENERAL TOMAS R. SANTOS READINESS CENTER", which was **signed** by the Governor into law on December 31, 2002 as **Public Law No. 26-161**.

This legislation is in honor of a former senator and Brigadier General, Tomas R. Santos, who was also an educator, employee of the U.S. Postal Service, and a self-made man. He was active in politics and other organizations, both in the Church and the community. It is very fitting to name the current Guam Army National Guard Readiness Center after this great man.

Very truly yours,

Carl T. C. Gutierrez  
I Maga'Lahen Guåhan  
Governor of Guam

Attachment: copy attached for signed bill or overridden bill  
original attached for vetoed bill

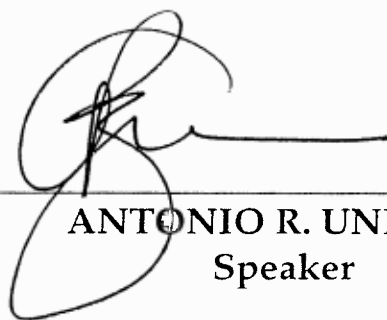
cc: The Honorable Antonio R. Unpingco  
Speaker

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MINA'BENTE SAIS NA LIHESLATURAN GUAHAN  
2002 (SECOND) Regular Session

CERTIFICATION OF PASSAGE OF AN ACT TO I MAGA'LAHEN GUAHAN

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ANTONIO R. UNPINGCO  
Speaker

Attest:



JOANNE M.S. BROWN  
Senator and Legislative Secretary

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This Act was received by *I Maga'lahaen Guahan* this 30 day of December, 2002,  
at 7:27 o'clock P.M.



Assistant Staff Officer  
*Maga'lahaen's Office*

APPROVED:



CARL T. C. GUTIERREZ  
*I Maga'lahaen Guahan*

Date: 12-31-02

Public Law No. 26-161

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As amended on the Floor.

Introduced by:

E. B. Calvo  
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L. F. Kasperbauer  
J. F. Ada  
T. C. Ada  
F. B. Aguon, Jr.  
J. M.S. Brown  
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M. C. Charfauros  
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5 It is therefore the intent of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* to rename the Guam  
6 Army National Guard Readiness Center in the honor of Brigadier General  
7 Tomas R. Santos for his contributions in the development of modern Guam,  
8 and also for the contributions he has bestowed to the People of Guam.

9 **Section 2.** Section 835 is hereby *added* to Article 1, Chapter 8 of Title 1  
10 of the Guam Code Annotated to read as follows:

11 **“Section 835. Brigadier General Tomas R. Santos Readiness**  
12 **Center.**

13 (a) **Renaming the Guam Army National Guard**  
14 **Readiness Center.** The Guam Army National Guard  
15 Readiness Center, located in the municipality of Barrigada, Guam,  
16 shall hereafter be known as the ‘*Brigadier General Tomas R. Santos*  
17 *Readiness Center.*’

18 (b) **Signs and Formal Designation of ‘Brigadier General**  
19 ***Tomas R. Santos Readiness Center.*** *I Maga’lahen Guåhan* and  
20 the Director of the Department of Military Affairs shall cause to be  
21 erected appropriate nameplates or signs designating the Guam  
22 Army National Guard Readiness Center as the ‘*Brigadier General*  
23 *Tomas R. Santos Readiness Center.*’

24 Further, at such ceremony as *I Maga’lahen Guåhan* and the



1 Director of Military Affairs deem appropriate, the *'Brigadier*  
2 *General Tomas R. Santos Readiness Center'* shall be officially named,  
3 and a plaque bearing the name, picture and brief history of the  
4 contributions of the Late Brigadier General Tomas R. Santos shall  
5 be affixed within a suitable spot within the facility."

# I MINA' BENTE SAIS NA LIHESLATURAN GUAHAN

2002 (SECOND) Regular Session

Date: 12/30/02

## VOTING SHEET

Bill No. 425 (core)

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

Question: \_\_\_\_\_

NAME	YEAS	NAYS	NOT VOTING/ ABSTAINED	OUT DURING ROLL CALL	ABSENT
ADA, Joseph F.	✓				
ADA, Thomas C.					✓
AGUON, Frank B., Jr.	✓				
BROWN, Joanne M. S.	✓				
CALVO, Eddie B.	✓				
CAMACHO, Felix P.					✓
CHARFAUROS, Mark C.	✓				
FORBES, Mark	✓				
KASPERBAUER, Lawrence F.	✓				
LEON GUERRERO, Lourdes A.	✓				
MOYLAN, Kaleo S.	✓				✓
PANGELINAN, Vicente C.	✓				
SANTOS, Angel L.G.	✓				✓
UNPINGCO, Antonio R.	✓				
WON PAT, Judith T.	✓				

TOTAL

11   0   0   0   4

CERTIFIED TRUE AND CORRECT:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk of the Legislature

\* 3 Passes = No vote  
EA = Excused Absence

P.L. 26-141

DEC 24 2002

Speaker Antonio R. Unpingco  
I Mina' Bente Sais Na Liheslaturan Guåhan  
155 Hesler Street  
Hagåtña, Guam 96910

Dear Mr. Speaker:

The Committee on Rules, General Governmental Operations, Reorganization and Reform, and Federal, Foreign and General Affairs, to which Bill No. 425, was referred, wishes to report its findings and recommendations **TO DO PASS BILL NO. 425**: "AN ACT TO ADD §835 TO TITLE 1 OF THE GUAM CODE ANNOTATED RELATIVE TO NAMING THE GUAM ARMY NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER THE "BRIGADIER GENERAL TOMAS R. SANTOS READINESS CENTER."

The voting record is as follows:

TO PASS	<u>7</u>
NOT TO PASS	<u>0</u>
ABSTAIN	<u>0</u>
TO PLACE IN INACTIVE FILE	<u>0</u>
TO REPORT OUT	<u>0</u>

Copies of the Committee Report and other pertinent documents are attached. Thank you and si Yu'os ma'ase for your attention to this matter.

  
MARK FORBES

Attachments

**DEC 24 2002**

**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Committee Members

**FROM:** Chairman

**SUBJECT:** Committee Report- BILL NO. 425: "An Act To Add §835 To Title 1 Of The Guam Code Annotated Relative To Naming The Guam Army National Guard Readiness Center The "Brigadier General Tomas R. Santos Readiness Center.."

Transmitted herewith for your information and action is the report on Bill No. 425, from the Committee on Rules, General Governmental Operations, Reorganization and Reform, and Federal, Foreign and General Affairs.

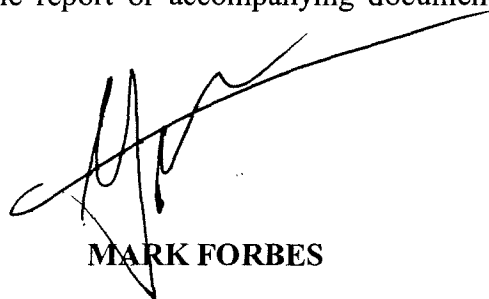
This memorandum is accompanied by the following:

1. Committee Voting Sheet
2. Committee Report
3. Bill No.425
4. Public Hearing Sign-in Sheet
5. Fiscal Note/Fiscal Note Waiver

Please take the appropriate action on the attached voting sheet. Your attention and cooperation in this matter is greatly appreciated.

Should you have any questions regarding the report or accompanying documents, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you and si Yu'os ma'ase.



**MARK FORBES**


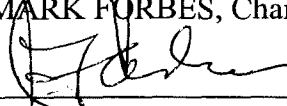

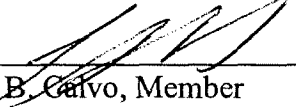
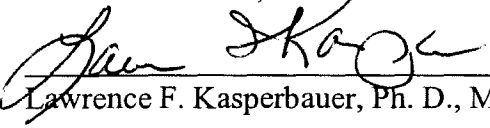

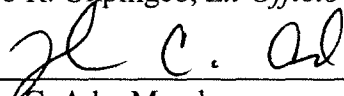
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**I Mina' Bente Sais Na Liheslaturan Guåhan**

**Voting Record**

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	<u>TO PASS</u>	<u>NOT TO PASS</u>	<u>TO ABSTAIN</u>	<u>INACTIVE FILE</u>	<u>REPORT OUT</u>
 MARK FORBES, Chairman	✓				
 Joseph F. Ada, Member	✓				
 Joanne M.S. Brown, Member	✓				
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Felix P. Camacho, Member					
 Lawrence F. Kasperbauer, Ph. D., Member	X				
Kaleo S. Moylan, Member					
 Antonio R. Uppingco, <i>Ex-Officio Member</i>	/				
 Thomas C. Ada, Member	✓				
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**MINA'BENTE SAIS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN**  
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KNOWLEDGEMENT  
Received by \_\_\_\_\_  
Date \_\_\_\_\_ 5:00 PM  
11-27-02

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FLOOR AMENDMENTS/CHANGES

Bill No. 425

EBC

Senator Proposing Amendment

(Below for Senator to complete)

Please describe proposed amendment, including where change to occur:

p. 3, line 12 delete line 12  
" where Truman . . . . 1947 "

(Below only for Clerk of Legislature's use and processing))

Date 12/26, 2002  
Floor Amendment No. 1 of a total of     changes on above Bill.  
Votes For Amendment:     Votes Against Amendment:      
AMENDMENT PASSED:    

Amendment Failed: \_\_\_\_\_  
Amendment Withdrawn: \_\_\_\_\_

APPROVED AS TO FORM PASSED

[Signature]  
AUTHOR OF AMENDMENT

Concur (initial)

[Signature]  
Clerk of Legislature

\_\_\_\_\_  
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Ass't. Amend. Clerk  
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**COMMITTEE REPORT**  
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Senators present at the public hearing were:

Senator Mark Forbes, Chairman

## **II. SUMMARY OF TESTIMONY**

There were no written or oral testimonies presented to the committee on Bill No. 425.

## **III. FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATION**

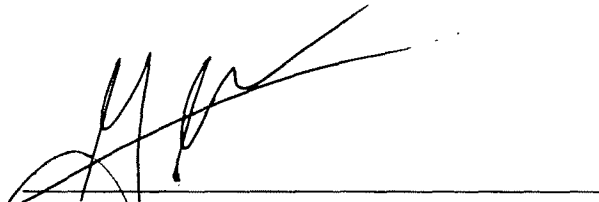
The Committee on Rules, General Governmental Operations, Reorganization and Reform, and Federal, Foreign and General Affairs finds that Bill No. 425 honors a great leader of Guam.

Accordingly, the Committee on Rules, General Governmental Operations, Reorganization and Reform, and Federal, Foreign and General Affairs, to which Bill No 425 was referred does hereby submit its findings and recommendations to I Mina' Bente Sais Na Liheslaturan Guahan **TO DO PASS BILL NO. 425**: "An Act To Add §835 To Title 1 Of The Guam Code Annotated Relative To Naming The Guam Army National Guard Readiness Center The "Brigadier General Tomas R. Santos Readiness Center".



**WAIVER OF FISCAL NOTE**

In accordance with §9105 Title 2 GCA, I hereby certify that prompt committee action on Bill 425 is necessary to the proper conduct of legislative business. Therefore, I am waiving requirement of a fiscal note on Bill 425.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mark Forbes', is written over a horizontal line. The signature is stylized and cursive.

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1           **BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:**

2           **Section 1. Legislative Findings and Intent.** *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* finds  
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5 Modern Guam.

6           Brigadier General Tomas R. Santos was born on March 7, 1909 in *Hagåtña*,  
7 Guam, to Francisco Borja Santos and Dolores Borja Ramirez. He was the oldest  
8 child of six siblings: Tomas, Clementina (Tina), Cristobal, Raquel, Segrio and Ning.  
9 He married Asuncion Blaz Haniu on September 10, 1932 and they had five children:

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1 Patricia Sison, Tomas R. Santos, Jr., Joseph V. Santos, Julie Ann S. Blaz and Fred Carl  
2 Santos. At a ripe old age of seventy-eight, Senator Tomas R. Santos died on January  
3 12, 1988.

4 Brigadier General Tomas R. Santos enlisted into the service of the Guam Militia  
5 in 1925. He was appointed and commissioned as an officer with the rank of Major in  
6 1934 and served as commanding officer to the First Battalion Reserves. In 1951, Major  
7 Santos was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant Colonel (LTC) and served as Executive  
8 Officer or Acting Commanding Officer of the entire Regiment of the Guam Militia.  
9 On July 21, 1981, LTC Santos was appointed the highest honor along with Colonel  
10 Charfauros by LTG Lawrence E. Weber, Chief National Guard Bureau and General  
11 Robert H. Neitz, Adjutant General, Guam National Guard as Honorary Brigadier  
12 General in the Guam National Guard. Brigadier General Santos was the prime  
13 advocate for the naming of the Guam National Guard's headquarters in Harmon as Fort  
14 Juan Muña, in honor of his friend and fellow militiaman.

15 Graduating with high honors in the eighth grade in 1924, Brigadier General  
16 Tomas R. Santos started his employment in Guam's community as a school teacher in  
17 the (then) Department of Education of the Naval Government of Guam, 1925.  
18 Teaching during the day and attending classes in the evenings, Brigadier General  
19 Tomas R. Santos successfully graduated with a high school diploma (equivalent to a

1 college degree) in 1932. This self-made man served in varied capacities in the field of  
2 education and met all challenges with dedication and commitment. He has held the  
3 following positions in the education field: Office Manager, Executive Secretary,  
4 Public Relations Officer, Assistant to the Head of the Department and Superintendent  
5 of Schools, Athletic Education Director, Bookstore Manger (1931-1941) and Principal  
6 of the elementary schools in Sumay and the Maxwell Junior High School in 1941.  
7 Concurrently, Naval Governor George A. Alexander appointed Brigadier General  
8 Tomas R. Santos to serve as Associate Justice of the Court of Appeals in 1937.

9 Brigadier General Tomas R. Santos also served as an Administrative Assistant  
10 to the Disbursing and Personnel Officers of the Naval Government of the Naval  
11 Government (1945). After the war, he was Principal of the Santa Rita Public School  
12 where Truman Public School now stands (1945-1947).

13 He served a total of 37 years in government service, claiming 20 years in  
14 education experience. He also taught part time at Father Duenas Memorial High  
15 School in the mid-1960s.

16 Brigadier General Tomas R. Santos was also a pioneer in the U.S. Postal Service  
17 in Guam. He was the first native born to have been appointed by the President Harry  
18 S. Truman, and with Congressional and Senate confirmations, the U. S. Postmaster of  
19 Agana (1947-1960). During his tenure he initiated and completed the construction of

1 the present Agana Post Office building.

2 Brigadier General Tomas R. Santos served as a Charter member in the 5<sup>th</sup> Guam  
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4 Senator in the 8<sup>th</sup> Guam Legislature, serving as the Chairman of the Committee on  
5 Education and Labor. He was also elected in the 11<sup>th</sup> Guam Legislature, serving as the  
6 Assistant Minority Leader and Member of the Committee on Health and Welfare. He  
7 was one of the founding members of the Territorial Party of Guam and was elected  
8 Chairman in 1963. This party became the Republican Party of Guam of which he  
9 served as Chairman (1978-1980). In 1966, he sponsored legislation which passed into  
10 law the re-naming of the Santa Rita Elementary School to Jesus P. Torres after his  
11 friend and fellow educator.

12 Brigadier General Tomas R. Santos believed that Guam's ultimate political status  
13 is statehood. He was a strong proponent for Guam's quest for a stronger tie with the  
14 United States of America and believed strongly in President Ronald Reagan's slogan  
15 "Peace through Strength." He served as the first president of the Statehood  
16 Organizational Movement until his death in 1988.

17 Brigadier General Tomas R. Santos was a member of the St. Vincent-St. Roke  
18 Parish Holy Mass Society, St. Vincent de Paul Society and the Knights of Columbus  
19 and was bestowed a 4<sup>th</sup> degree Knight in 1980.

1 Brigadier General Tomas R. Santos was also involved in many Civic  
2 Organizations which has contributed to the welfare of the People of Guam.

3 President of Guam Teachers Association (1938-1941)

4 Member of the Barrigada Parent-Teacher Association (1952-1953)

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6 His activities involve:

7 Vice-Chairman of the Guam Youth Incorporated (1959-1961)

8 Member of the Young Men's League of Guam (1965-1976)

9 Institutional Representative of the Barrigada Boy Scouts Troop (1950-1955)

10 Chairperson of the Boy Scouts Council of America (1951-1952): During his tenure,

11 Brigadier General Tomas R. Santos' notable achievement was the shipment and  
12 construction of the Statue of Liberty and its monument at the Agana Harbor.

13 In the early 1960s, he joined the Guam Lodge 1281 with the U. S. Benevolent  
14 and Protective Order of Elks and pioneered as the first native-born Guamanian to be  
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16 It is therefore the intent of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* to rename the Guam Army  
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