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The Honorable Vicente C. Pangelinan Speaker Mina'Bente Siete Na Liheslaturan Guåhan Twenty-Seventh Guam Legislature 155 Hesler Street Hagåtña, Guam 96910

Dear Speaker Pangelinan:

Transmitted herewith is Bill No. 24 (COR), "AN ACT TO REDUCE THE COST OF GOVERNMENT BY TAKING ADVANTAGE OF LOWER UNIT COSTS MADE AVAILABLE THROUGH THE BULK PURCHASE OF STANDARDIZED SERVICES REGULARLY UTILIZED BY ALL BRANCHES OF GOVERNMENT," which I have signed into law on April 26, 2003 as Public Law 27-10.

Sincerely,

FELIX P. CAMACHO I Maga'Lahen Guåhan

Governor of Guam

Attachment:

copy attached of signed bill

cc:

The Honorable Tina Rose Muña-Barnes Senator and Legislative Secretary

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### I MINA'BENTE SIETE NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN 2003 (FIRST) Regular Session

# CERTIFICATION OF PASSAGE OF AN ACT TO I MAGA'LAHEN GUÅHAN

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

- 2 Section 1. Legislative Findings and Intent. I Liheslaturan Guåhan
- 3 finds that the cost of running the government of Guam continues to exceed
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and ensure the Executive, Legislative and Judicial branches live within their means. While several avenues have been thoroughly explored and many costs have been cut, *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* finds that there exist a number of ways in which substantial savings can be made, including the consolidation of the purchasing power of the entire government of Guam, inclusive of all three (3) branches and all autonomous agencies, for commonly utilized services. Taken as a whole, the three (3) branches and all autonomous agencies have enormous "bargaining power," and such power in the hands of a private company would entitle it to the substantial reduction in per-unit cost for services, a rate which is frequently lower than even discounted government rates.

I Liheslaturan Guåhan further finds that the government of Guam may already avail itself of such purchasing power on occasion, such as when negotiating for group health insurance, however it does not do so at every opportunity. I Liheslaturan Guåhan has determined that the three (3) branches and all autonomous agencies of the government of Guam have not been taking full advantage of the significantly lower per-unit cost that could be possible in the purchase of many services, such as in the leasing of photocopiers, printing, advertising, legal services and many other services, and thus not realizing millions of dollars in potential savings.

It is therefore the intent of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* to develop a procedure in which the entire government of Guam, inclusive of all entities within all three (3) branches and all autonomous agencies, shall combine their purchasing power to procure services such as those listed in this Act as well as for any other services utilized throughout the government, and conduct negotiations to obtain such services for the lowest possible unit cost for the government of Guam as a single entity.

- Section 2. Creation of Cost Reduction Task Force. There is hereby created within the government of Guam a Cost Reduction Task Force (CRTF) which shall be comprised of the following members:
- 1. Two (2) Executive Branch representatives appointed by *I*5 *Maga'lahen Guåhan*; one of the representatives shall be the Chief
  6 Procurement Officer of General Services Agency (GSA);
- 7 2. A Legislative Branch representative appointed by the Speaker 8 of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan*;
- 9 3. A Judicial Branch representative appointed by the Chief Justice 10 of the Supreme Court;
  - 4. The Attorney General of Guam or his designee; and
- 12 5. The Public Auditor or her designee.

- The CRTF shall have as its sole responsibility the determination of the most effective means by which to consolidate the purchasing power of the entire government of Guam inclusive of all three (3) branches and all of the autonomous entities of the government, for commonly utilized services, including but not limited to those noted in Section 1 of this Act, and developing the guidelines and procedures needed to accomplish such a goal, with the understanding that all three (3) branches and all autonomous agencies have a common interest in reducing the cost of government.
- Further, the CRTF shall explore the cost associated with reestablishing limited usage of cellular telephone service by critical government of Guam personnel, and such study shall also include suggested procedures and guidelines which strictly control the usage of said cell phone service to ensure that any and all benefits that derive from their use favors the government of Guam.

The CRTF shall meet as often as required to accomplish its task according to a schedule developed and adopted at the CRTF's first meeting, which shall be set by the Chairperson, who shall be selected by the CRTF from among the members. The CRTF shall report its findings in writing to *I Maga'lahi*, the Speaker of *I Liheslatura*, and the Chief Justice no later than one hundred twenty (120) days after the effective date of this Act; such report to include projections of cost savings, and any draft legislation which may be necessary to implement the proposed guidelines and procedures. After submission of such report of findings, the CRTF shall cease to exist. No appropriation shall be made to the CRTF, and all staff support and clerical services shall be provided by the CRTF members and their respective branches.

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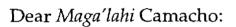
# MINA' BENTE SIETE NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN

TWENTY-SEVENTH GUAM LEGISLATURE 155 Hessler Place, Hagåtña, Guam 96910

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April 15, 2003

The Honorable Felix P. Camacho I Maga'lahen Guåhan Ufisinan I Maga'lahi Hagåtña, Guam 96910



Transmitted herewith are Substitute Bill Nos. 5(COR), 7(COR), 14(COR), 24(COR), 28(COR), 38(COR), 45(COR), 46(COR), 48(COR) and 50(COR), and Bill Nos. 26(COR), 33(COR), 35(COR) and 59(COR) which were passed by *I Mina' Bente Siete Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* on April 11, 2003.

Sincerely,

TINA ROSE MUNA-BARNES
Legislative Secretary

Enclosures (14)

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Attested:	vicente (ben) c. pangelinan Speaker	
Tina Rose Muña-Barnes Senator and Legislative Secretary		
This Act was received by I Maga'lahen Guahan	this 16 day of April, 2003, at 5:30 o'clock	
APPROVED:	Assistant Staff Officer  Maga'lahi's Office	
FELIX P. CAMACHO I Maga'lahen Guahan		
Date:		
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