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The Honorable Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D. Speaker Mina' Trenta Na Liheslaturan Guåhan 155 Hessler Street Hagåtña, Guam 96910

Dear Speaker Won Pat:

Transmitted herewith is Bill No. 368(LS), "AN ACT TO ADD A NEW ARTICLE 14 TO CHAPTER 68 OF TITLE 21 OF THE GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO THE RETURN OF UNUSED PROPERTIES TO THEIR RIGHTFUL OWNERS AND HEIRS, AND TO CITE THE ACT AS "THE RETURN OF PRIVATE PROPERTIES ACT OF 2008" which was signed into law on January 30, 2009 as Public Law 29-151.

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FELIX P. CAMACHO

I Maga'låhen Guåhan Governor of Guam

Attachment: copy of Bill

Judith T. Won Pat, Ed. D.

Date

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### I MINA'BENTE NUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN 2008 (SECOND) Regular Session

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

This is to certify that Substitute Bill No. 368 (LS), "AN ACT TO ADD A NEW ARTICLE 14 TO CHAPTER 68 OF TITLE 21 OF THE GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO THE RETURN OF UNUSED PROPERTIES TO THEIR RIGHTFUL OWNERS AND HEIRS, AND TO CITE THE ACT AS "THE RETURN OF PRIVATE PROPERTIES ACT OF 2008," was on the 30<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2008, duly and regularly passed.

Attesthet 1	Judith T. Won Pat, Ed. D. Speaker
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Tina Rose Muña Barnes Senator and Secretary of the Legislature	
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This Act was received by <i>I Maga'lahen Guåhan</i> this	day of <u>Dec.</u> , 2008, at
3'.10 o'clock P.M.  APPROVED:	Agunataolao
This Act was received by I Maga'lahen Guåhan this  3'.10 o'clockM.  APPROVED:  FELIX P. CAMACHO  I Maga'lahen Guåhan	Assistant Staff Officer

### I MINA'BENTE NUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN GUÂHAN 2008 (SECOND) Regular Session

Bill No. 368 (LS)

As substituted by the Author and amended on the Floor.

Introduced by:

Frank F. Blas, Jr.
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AN ACT TO *ADD* A NEW ARTICLE 14 TO CHAPTER 68 OF TITLE 21 OF THE GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO THE RETURN OF UNUSED PROPERTIES TO THEIR RIGHTFUL OWNERS AND HEIRS, AND TO CITE THE ACT AS "THE RETURN OF PRIVATE PROPERTIES ACT OF 2008."

# BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM: Section 1. A new Article 14 is hereby added to Chapter 68 of Title 21 of the Guam Code Annotated, to read as follows: "Article 14. Return of Unused Properties. §6814101. Title.

1	§6814102.	Legislative Findings and Intent.
2	§6814103 <b>.</b>	Authorization to Return Properties.
3	§6814104 <b>.</b>	Facilitation of Land Exchange.
4	§6814105 <b>.</b>	No Prohibition Against Building.
5	§6814106 <b>.</b>	Inclusion of Parcels in Real Estate Tax Roll.
6	§6814107 <b>.</b>	Severability.
7	§6814101. Title	e. This Act may be cited or referred to as "The
8	Return of Private Prope	erties Act of 2008."

§6814102. Legislative Findings and Intent. Public Law 17-54 created a protective zone surrounding the perimeter of the Department of Corrections (DOC) in Mangilao and further authorized *I Maga'lahen Guåhan* to conduct land exchanges on an area-for-area basis with the affected land owners. This zone affected those properties contained within the five hundred foot (500') radius surrounding the Department of Corrections.

I Liheslaturan Guåhan finds that these families whose properties have been adversely affected by the protective zone, and who should have been granted an exchange with government of Guam land, have been left in an uncertain situation for over thirty (30) years. Furthermore, the government left the landowners in a position where they were unable to improve their properties or to even construct safe and decent homes. I Liheslaturan Guåhan finds that, through no fault of their own, these families faced condemnation of their land by default.

More importantly, *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* finds that the Department of Corrections is desirous of returning unused properties back to the original landowners.

1	Therefore, it is the intent of I Liheslaturan Guåhan to come to a fair		
2	and equitable resolution of this thirty (30) year old continuing problem by		
3	returning the properties mentioned herein to the families at no cost.		
4	§6814103. Authorization to Return Properties. I Maga'lahen		
5	Guåhan is authorized to return the following private properties back to the		
6	respective owners:		
7	(1) Lot No. 3339-4A-3, Mangilao, containing an area of 4,046 $\pm$		
8	square meters belonging to Bernadette Salas Atoigue with		
9	reference map filed at the Department of Land Management as		
10	Document Number 321816.		
11	(2) Lot No. 3339-4A-R5, Mangilao, containing an area of 24,083 ±		
12	square meters belonging to Raymond C. Salas with reference		
13	map filed at the Department of Land Management as Document		
14	Number 321816.		
15	(3) Lot No. 3339-8-3, Mangilao, containing an area of 1,858.24 $\pm$		
16	square meters belonging to Raymond C. Salas with reference		
17	map filed at the Department of Land Management as Document		
18	Number 333641.		
19	(4) Lot No. 3339-8-4, Mangilao, containing an area of 1,858.06 $\pm$		
20	square meters belonging to Raymond C. Salas with reference		
21	map filed at the Department of Land Management as Document		
22	Number 333641.		
23	(5) Lot No. 3339-8-5, Mangilao, containing an area of 1,868.49 $\pm$		
24	square meters belonging to Jesse C. Salas with reference map		
25	filed at the Department of Land Management as Document		
26	Number 333641.		

1	(6)	Lot No. 3339-8-6, Mangilao, containing an area of 1,858 $\pm$
2		square meters belonging to Jesus M. Salas with reference map
3		filed at the Department of Land Management as Document
4		Number 333641.
5	(7)	Lot No. 3339-8-7, Mangilao, containing an area of 1,868.49 $\pm$
6		square meters belonging to Jesus M. Salas with reference map
7		filed at the Department of Land Management as Document
8		Number 333641.
9	(8)	Lot No. 3348, Mangilao, containing an area of 65,506.62 ±
10		square meters belonging to Manuel C. Salas with reference map
11		filed at the Department of Land Management as Document
12		Number 234754.
13	(9)	Lot No. 5400-2, Mangilao, containing an area of 7,594 ± square
14		meters belonging to Priscilla U. Mesa, reference to Drawing
15		No. LCJ66T131 at the Department of Land Management as
16		Document Number 83310.
17	(10)	Lot No. 5400-3, Mangilao, containing an area of 7,594 ± square
18		meters belonging to Priscilla U. Mesa, reference to Drawing
19		No. LCJ66T131 at the Department of Land Management as
20		Document Number 83310.
21	(11)	Lot No. 2406-7, Mangilao, containing an area of 4,000 ± square
22		meters belonging to Larry Ko, as designated on Map Drawing
23		Number RRV83-26S, recorded as Instrument Number 347003.
24	(12)	Lot No. 2406-9, Mangilao, containing an area of 3,874 ± square
25		meters belonging to Larry Ko, as designated on Map Drawing
26		Number RRV83-26S, recorded as Instrument Number 347003.

1 (13) Lot No. 2406-12, Mangilao, containing an area of 3,874 + 2 square meters belonging to Larry Ko, as designated on Map 3 Drawing Number RRV83-26S, recorded as Instrument Number 347003. 4 Lot No. 2406-13, Mangilao, containing an area of 3,874 + 5 6 square meters belonging to Larry Ko, as designated on Map Drawing Number RRV83-26S, recorded as Instrument Number 7 8 347003. 9 Lot No. 2406-14, Mangilao, containing an area of 3,874 + (15)10 square meters belonging to Larry Ko, as designated on Map Drawing Number RRV83-26S, recorded as Instrument Number 11 12 347003. 13 §6814104. Facilitation of Land Exchange. (a) The Director of Land Management shall facilitate for I Maga'lahen Guåhan the return of 14 those properties identified in §6814103 of this Chapter. The return of these 15 16 properties shall be accomplished within thirty (30) days or sooner, from the 17 date of enactment. The Director of Land Management is hereby authorized to 18 (b) expend such sums as are necessary to effectuate the return of properties 19 mentioned herein. 20 §6814105. No Prohibition Against Building. Nothing contained in 21 22 this Act shall be construed to prevent or prohibit the party receiving the properties from improving such land or from building, erecting or 23 constructing structures approved in accordance with the building and zoning 24 codes of Guam. 25

§6814106. Inclusion of Parcels in Real Estate Tax Roll. Because

of the government's failure to utilize the parcels identified herein as part of a

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government facility, inclusive of roadways and utility easements, the Director of Land Management *shall* transmit to the Director of Revenue and Taxation those parcels identified herein for inclusion in the real estate tax rolls. Upon verification, the Director of Revenue and Taxation *shall* include the parcels back into the real estate tax rolls and *shall* be applied prospectively and *not* retroactively.

**§6814107. Severability.** *If* any provision of this Act or its application to any person or circumstance is found to be invalid or contrary to law, such invalidity shall *not* affect other provisions or applications of this Act which can be given effect without the invalid provisions or application, and to this end the provisions of this Act are severable."