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

Dear Speaker Won Pat:

Transmitted herewith is Bill No. 316(EC), "AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER V, PART II, SECTION 1(f) OF PUBLIC LAW 29-19, RELATIVE TO AUTHORIZING AN APPROPRIATION TO THE GOVERNMENT OF GUAM RETIREMENT FUND FOR PAYMENTS TO CURRENT RETIREES FOR THE REMAINDER OF FISCAL YEAR 2008 FOR GROUP HEALTH, DENTAL AND LIFE INSURANCE PREMIUMS" which was signed into law on July 2, 2008 as **Public Law 29-85.**

Sinseru yan Magåhet,

MICHAEL W. CRUZ, M.D.

I Maga'låhen Guåhan, para pa'go Acting Governor of Guam

Attachment: copy of Bill

cc:

The Honorable Tina Rose Muña Barnes, Senator and Legislative Secretary

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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 Bill No. 316(EC), "AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER V, PART II, SECTION 1(f) OF PUBLIC LAW 29-19, RELATIVE TO AUTHORIZING AN APPROPRIATION TO THE GOVERNMENT OF GUAM RETIREMENT FUND FOR PAYMENTS TO CURRENT RETIREES FOR THE REMAINDER OF FISCAL YEAR 2008 FOR GROUP HEALTH, DENTAL AND LIFE INSURANCE PREMIUMS," was on the 30th day of June, 2008, duly and regularly passed.

Judith T. Won Pat, Ed. D. Speaker

Tina Rose Muña Barnes
Senator and Secretary of the Legislature

This Act was received by I Maga'lahen Guåhan this 30th

5:35 o'clock p.M.

_day of <u>fline</u>, 2008, at

Assistant Staff Officer Maga'lahi's Office

APPROVED:

Attes**t**e

FELIX P. CAMACHO I Maga'lahen Guåhan

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Public Law No. 29-85

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

Bill No. 316 (EC) As amended on the Floor.

Introduced by:

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v.c. pangelinan
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Ray Tenorio
J. T. Won Pat, Ed.D.

AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER V, PART II, SECTION **OF PUBLIC** LAW 29-19, RELATIVE AUTHORIZING ANAPPROPRIATION TO THE GOVERNMENT OF GUAM RETIREMENT FUND FOR PAYMENTS TO CURRENT RETIREES FOR THE REMAINDER OF FISCAL YEAR 2008 FOR GROUP HEALTH, **DENTAL AND** LIFE INSURANCE PREMIUMS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

- Section 1. Legislative Findings and Intent. I Liheslaturan Guåhan finds that
- an adjustment must be made to the current appropriation to the Government of Guam
- 4 Retirement Fund to ensure that current retirees can continue with medical and dental
- 5 services as provided for in Public Law 29-19. The shortfall is attributed to the

- following: (1) the current exclusion of savings attributable to autonomous agencies as
- 2 well as the Legislative and Judicial branches; and (2) the Actuary's overestimation of
- 3 the active members' cost savings and the underestimation of the retirees' cost
- 4 increase.

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- Therefore, it is the intent of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* to amend Public Law 29-19
- 6 to reflect the correct appropriation to the current provisions as it relates to group
- 7 insurance for current retirees for health, dental and life insurance premiums.

Section 2. Chapter V, Part II Section 1(f) of Public Law 29-19 is hereby

amended to read:

- "(f) The sum of Fifteen Million Eight Hundred Twenty Three Thousand One
- Hundred Ninety Four Dollars (\$15,823,194) is appropriated from the General Fund to
- the Government of Guam Retirement Fund to pay the following two (2) items for
- current retirees for Fiscal Year 2008:
- 14 (1) Retiree group health, dental and life insurance premiums (to continue
- existing programs currently contained in the semi-monthly
- payments); and
- 17 (2) Retiree life insurance subsidy (to continue existing programs
- currently contained in the semi-monthly payments)."
- Section 3. Severability. If any of the provisions of this Act or the application
- 20 thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect
- 21 any other provision or application of this Act which can be given effect without the
- 22 invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this Act are
- 23 severable.



The People

Majority Whip (D)

Member Committee on Tourism Maritime, Military, Veteran and Foreign Affair

Member Committee on Judiciary, National Resources, Infrastructure and Cultural Affairs

Member Committee on Health Human Services and Homeland Security

Member Committee on Education, General and Omnibus Affairs

Mina'Bente Nuebi Na Liheslaturan Guåhan

Senator vicente (ben) c. pangelinan (D)

June 25, 2008

The Honorable Judith T. Won Pat Speaker Mina Bente Nuebi Na Liheslaturan Guahan 155 Hesler Street Hagatna, Guam 96910

Re: Waiver of Public Hearing for Bill 316 (EC)

Hafa Adai Speaker Won Pat:

Pursuant to 2 GCA §2103, I hereby request you certify that emergency conditions exists requiring the waiver of the public hearing requirement for Bill 316 (EC), An act to amend Chapter V, Part II Section 1(f) of Public Law 29-19 relative to authorizing appropriation to the Government of Guam Retirement Fund for payments to current retirees for the remainder of FY2008 for group health, dental and life insurance premiums.

This action is necessary as the bill is of great public concern impacting our government of Guam retirees. The measure would ensure the continuity of health, dental and life insurance premiums are paid for the duration of this fiscal year.

I look forward to your favorable consideration on this matter. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Si Yu'os Ma'ase.

c. pangelinan

cc: All Senators

Office of the Speaker on Patred. D.

Time.

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OFFICE OF THE SPEAKER 29th GUAM LEGISLATURE JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D

June 30, 2008

To: I Mina'Bente Nuebi Na Liheslaturan Guahan

RE: Emergency Certification of Bill 316

After careful evaluation for a request by Senator Vicente "ben" Pangelinan to waive the requirements for a public hearing on bill 316 (EC);

Bill No. 316 (EC) - v.c. pangelinan - An act to amend Chapter V, Part II Section 1(f) of Public Law 29-19 relative to authorizing appropriation to the Government of Guam Retirement Fund for payments to current retirees for the remainder of FY2008 for group health, dental and life insurance premiums.

I certify, pursuant to 2 GCA §2103, that an emergency condition exists and that the requirements for a public hearing on bill 316(EC) is accordingly waived.

Senseramente,

Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D.

Speaker

cc: Clerk of the Legislature