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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. 238(LS), "AN ACT TO AMEND SUBSECTION (b) OF §19.30 OF CHAPTER 19 OF TITLE 9 OF THE GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO ASSAULT AGAINST A PEACE OFFICER" which I signed into law on July 22, 2008 as **Public Law 29-95.** 

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. 238(LS), "AN ACT TO AMEND SUBSECTION (b) OF §19.30 OF CHAPTER 19 OF TITLE 9 OF THE GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO ASSAULT AGAINST A PEACE OFFICER", was on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2008, duly and regularly passed.

Attested:  Tina Rose Muña Barnes Senator and Secretary of the Legislature	Judith T. Won Pat, Ed. D. Speaker
This Act was received by <i>I Maga'lahen Guåhan</i> th	is 10 day of July, 2008, at
APPROVED:	Assistant Staff Officer  Maga'lahi's Office
MIKE W. CRUZ, MD GOVERNOR OF GUAM ACTING  Date: 22 JULY OB  Public Law No. 29-95	, <u>2.</u>

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

Bill No. 238 (LS)

As amended.

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AN ACT TO AMEND SUBSECTION (b) OF §19.30 OF CHAPTER 19 OF TITLE 9 OF THE GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO ASSAULT AGAINST A PEACE OFFICER.

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

- **Section 1.** Subsection (b) of §19.30 of Chapter 19 of Title 9 of the Guam Code Annotated, is hereby *amended* to read as follows:
  - "(b) An assault against a peace officer who is performing his official duties as a peace officer is a felony of the third degree if the perpetrator knew *or* should have known that the victim was a peace officer. In any assault against a peace officer, the jury *shall*, with any finding of guilty, also

return a finding as to whether the perpetrator had actual knowledge that the victim was a peace officer. If the jury finds that the perpetrator had actual knowledge that the victim was a peace officer, the court shall impose a minimum sentence of one (1) year in prison without suspension, probation, parole, or work release. For purposes of this §19.30, peace officer means one so defined in §5.55, Title 8, Guam Code Annotated, and to also include those individuals serving in a volunteer law enforcement capacity within any government of Guam law enforcement entity."