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FEB 27 2015 Honorable Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D. Speaker I Mina' trentai Tres Na Liheslaturan Guåhan 155 Hesler Street Hagåtña, Guam 96910

Dear Madame Speaker:

Transmitted herewith is Bill No. 1-33 (LS) "AN ACT TO TRANSFER TITLE OF LOT NO. 5397, MUNICIPALITY OF MANGILAO, TO THE UNIVERSITY OF GUAM," which was signed into law on February 25, 2015, as Public Law 33-02.

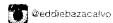
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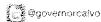
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I MINA'TRENTAI TRES NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN 2015 (FIRST) Regular Session

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

This is to certify that Bill No. 1-33 (LS), "AN ACT TO TRANSFER TITLE OF LOT NO. 5397, MUNICIPALITY OF MANGILAO, TO THE UNIVERSITY OF GUAM," was on the 20th day of February, 2015, duly and regularly passed.

Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D.

Attested:

Tina RoselMuña Barnes
Legislative Secretary

This Act was received by I Maga'lahen Guåhan this 33 cd day of 150 day of 15

Public Law No. 33-02

I MINA'TRENTAI TRES NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN 2015 (FIRST) Regular Session

Bill No. 1-33 (LS)

As amended by the Author and the Committee on Transportation, Infrastructure, Lands, Border Protection, Veterans' Affairs and Procurement; and further amended on the Floor.

Introduced by:

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AN ACT TO TRANSFER TITLE OF LOT NO. 5397, MUNICIPALITY OF MANGILAO, TO THE UNIVERSITY OF GUAM.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

- 2 Section 1. Legislative Findings and Intent. I Liheslatura finds that Lot
- 3 No. 5397, municipality of Mangilao, containing an area of 6,096,159+/- square
- 4 feet, or 566,351+/- square meters, or 139.95+/-acres; as shown on Drawing No.
- 5 972, L.M. No. 110 FY90, prepared by Ronald G. Perry, PLS No. 33, dated

1 February 23, 1990, and recorded under Instrument No. 433246, is registered in the

2 name of the Government of Guam as owner in fee simple, subject to a reversionary

3 interest of the United States in the event the lot is used for other than its intended

4 purposes. Lot No. 5397 is commonly known as the "Cliff Line Property". Title in

the name of the Government of Guam was granted by the Superior Court of Guam

6 on March 29, 1999, pursuant to a Petition for Registration of Title to Land.

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I Liheslatura notes that historically in January 1966 the Director of Land Management of the Government of Guam filed and approved the establishment of Conservation Areas. The administration of Lot No. 5397 is stated as follows: "This area will be administered and controlled by the College of Guam in conjunction with the Departments of Agriculture, Land Management and Public Works." I Liheslatura further finds that Public Law 22-18 designated Lot No. 5397 as Reserved Land to be managed jointly by the University of Guam, the Department of Agriculture, and the Department of Parks and Recreation for the "Marine Lab Expansion, Conservation Reserve and Prehistoric Site." Lot No. 5397 holds perhaps the best preserved tract of limestone forest on Guam, resulting from the inaccessibility of the area due to the difficult tower karst terrain that pervades it. Since January 1966, Lot No. 5397 has been in the control of the University, where it has been a biological conservation site for the purposes of advancing the conservation, protection and study of the natural soil and water conditions and of all native plants, animal and water life. Further, Lot No. 5397 holds the University of Guam Marine Laboratory, Marine Laboratory Visitors Housing Facility, and the Water and Environmental Research Institute (WERI). The lot is used extensively by University classes for field trips and by University faculty in the natural sciences for research. Future plans by the University include continued use of the natural features of this lot in education and research, and accommodating constructions of new facilities at the Marine Lab and WERI.

I Liheslatura finds that if title to Lot No. 5397 were transferred to the University, the University would be free to proceed with specific projects and plans to address these concerns. Inasmuch as the University has maintained administrative control of Lot No. 5397 since January 1966, transfer of title of Lot No. 5397 to the University would play a vital part in increasing the University's revenue sources, fostering sustainability, and capacity building. It is for this particular reason that I Liheslatura finds it is now appropriate and fiscally responsible that title of Lot No. 5397 be transferred to the University.

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Therefore, it is the intent of *I Liheslatura* to transfer Lot No. 5397 exclusively to the University of Guam for the purpose of continuing the University's mission of *Ina*, *Diskubre*, *Setbe* and for purposes of increasing the University's revenue sources, capacity building and sustainability, while preserving the original intent in establishing the conservation area.

Section 2. Transfer of Property. Lot No. 5397, municipality of *Mangilao*, Guam, containing an area of 6,096,159+/- square feet, or 566,351+/- square meters, or 139.95+/-acres, as shown on Drawing No. 972, L.M. No. 110 FY90, prepared by Ronald G. Perry, PLS No. 33, dated February 23, 1990, and recorded under Instrument No. 433246, is hereby transferred to the University of Guam, pursuant to §60112, Chapter 60 of Title 21, Guam Code Annotated, for purposes of continuing the University's mission of *Ina, Diskubre, Setbe*.

Section 3. Use of Property. The use of Lot No. 5397 *shall* be consistent with the original intent of the expansion of the Marine Lab, as a Conservation Reserve and Prehistoric Site; and for the specific use of the Water and Environmental Research Institute (WERI) or succeeding organization, and as related to the advancement of the conservation, and the protection and study of the natural soil and water conditions and of all native plants, animal and water life. Any plans to construct facilities for the expansion of the Marine Lab and WERI or

- 1 change from the intended use shall require the concurrence of I Liheslaturan
- 2 Guåhan by statute.
- 3 Section 4. Exemption. § 2107 of Title 2, Guam Code Annotated, and the
- 4 Standing Rules of I Mina' Trentai Tres Na Liheslaturan Guåhan relative to the
- 5 appraisals of land shall not apply to this Act.
- 6 Section 5. Issuance of Certificate of Title. The Department of Land
- 7 Management shall issue a certificate of title for Lot No. 5397 in the name of the
- 8 University of Guam within sixty (60) days of enactment of this Act.