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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. 149-33 (COR) "AN ACT TO REPEAL AND REENACT § 90113 OF CHAPTER 90, TITLE 18, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO PARENTAL LIABILITY FOR WILLFUL ACTS OF MINOR CHILDREN," which I signed into law on March 4, 2016, as Public Law 33-126.

Senseramente,

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I MINA'TRENTAI TRES NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN 2016 (SECOND) Regular Session

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

This is to certify that Substitute Bill No. 149-33 (COR), "AN ACT TO REPEAL AND REENACT § 90113 OF CHAPTER 90, TITLE 18, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO PARENTAL LIABILITY FOR WILLFUL ACTS OF MINOR CHILDREN," was on the 18th day of February 2016, duly and regularly passed.

Attested:	Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D. Speaker
Tina Rose Muña Barnes Legislative Secretary	
This Act was received by <i>I Maga'låhen</i> 2016, at 259 o'clock P.M.	Guåhan this DOND day of FEBRUARY Assistant Start Officer
APPROVED:	Maga'låhi's Office
EDWARD J.B. CALVO I Maga'låhen Guåhan MAR 0 4 2016 Date:	
Public Law No. 33-126	

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

Bill No. 149-33 (COR)

As substituted by the sponsor; and amended on the Floor.

Introduced by:

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AN ACT TO REPEAL AND REENACT § 90113 OF CHAPTER 90, TITLE 18, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO PARENTAL LIABILITY FOR WILLFUL ACTS OF MINOR CHILDREN.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

- Section 1. § 90113 of Chapter 90, Title 18, Guam Code Annotated, is repealed and reenacted to read:
- 4 "§ 90113. Parental Liability for Willful Acts of Minor Children.
- 5 (a) Any act of willful misconduct of a minor that results in injury or death to another person or in any injury to the property of another *shall* be

imputed to the parent or guardian having custody and control of the minor for all purposes of civil damages, and the parent or guardian having custody and control *shall* be jointly and severally liable with the minor for any damages resulting from the willful misconduct.

Subject to the provisions of Subsection (c), the joint and several liability of the parent or guardian having custody and control of a minor under this Subsection *shall not* exceed Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000) for each tort of the minor, and in the case of injury to a person, imputed liability *shall* be further limited to medical, dental, and hospital expenses incurred by the injured person and attorney fees as allowed by Article 6 of Chapter 26 of 7 GCA, *not to exceed* Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000). The liability imposed by this Section is in addition to any liability now imposed by law.

- (b) Any act of willful misconduct of a minor that results in the defacement of property of another with paint or a similar substance *shall* be imputed to the parent or guardian having custody and control of the minor for all purposes of civil damages, including court costs and attorney fees, as allowed by Article 6 of Chapter 26 of 7 GCA to the prevailing party, and the parent or guardian having custody and control *shall* be jointly and severally liable with the minor for any damages resulting from the willful misconduct, *not to exceed* Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000), *except* as provided in Subsection (c), for each tort of the minor.
- (c) The maximum liability imposed by this Section is the maximum liability authorized under this Section at the time that the act of willful misconduct by a minor was committed.
- (d) Nothing in this Section shall impose liability on an insurer for a loss caused by the willful act of the insured for purposes of § 18602 of

Chapter 18 of 22 GCA. An insurer shall not be liable for the conduc
imputed to a parent or guardian by this Section for any amount in excess of
Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000).

(e) Parent or guardian liability, *supra*, *shall not* include "foster parent" unless there is negligence by said foster parent."