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JAN 13 2017 Honorable Benjamin J. F. Cruz Speaker I Mina'trentai Kuåtro Na Liheslaturan Guåhan 155 Hesler Street Hagåtña, Guam 96910

GL# 34-17 - 45 Speaker Benjamin J.F. Cruz

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Dear Speaker Cruz:

Transmitted herewith is Bill No. 299-33(COR),"AN ACT TO REPEAL AND REENACT SUBSECTION (d) OF § 6235 ARTICLE 2, CHAPTER 6, TITLE 4, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO CLARIFYING THE NUMBER OF ALLOWED CERTIFICATION PAY INCENTIVE TO GOVERNMENT OF GUAM LINE EMPLOYEES, AND THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTABILITY, THE UNIVERSITY OF GUAM, AND THE GUAM DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION EMPLOYEES WHO HAVE OBTAINED CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT, CERTIFIED GOVERNMENT FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT, CERTIFIED FRAUD EXAMINER, AND CERTIFIED INTERNAL AUDITOR CERTIFICATION," which was signed into law on January 9, 2017, as **Public Law 33-222**.

Senseramente. RAY TENORIO

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

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

### **CERTIFICATION OF PASSAGE OF AN ACT TO I MAGA'LAHEN GUAHAN**

This is to certify that Bill No. 299-33 (COR), "AN ACT TO REPEAL AND REENACT SUBSECTION (d) OF § 6235 ARTICLE 2, CHAPTER 6, TITLE 4, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO CLARIFYING THE NUMBER OF ALLOWED CERTIFICATION PAY INCENTIVE TO GOVERNMENT OF GUAM LINE EMPLOYEES, AND THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTABILITY, THE UNIVERSITY OF GUAM, AND THE GUAM DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION EMPLOYEES WHO HAVE OBTAINED CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT, CERTIFIED GOVERNMENT FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT, CERTIFIED AND CERTIFIED FRAUD EXAMINER. INTERNAL AUDITOR CERTIFICATION," was on the 30<sup>th</sup> day of December <u>2016</u>, duly and regularly passed.

Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D. Speaker

Tina Rose Muña Barnes Legislative Secretary

This Act was received by I Maga'låhen Guåhan this 30 m day of DEC,

2016, at <u>v</u>. v o'clock <u>v</u>. M.

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EDWARD J.B. CALVO I Maga'låhen Guåhan

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#### Bill No. 299-33 (COR)

As amended by the Sponsor.

#### Introduced by:

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AN ACT TO REPEAL AND REENACT SUBSECTION (d) OF § 6235 ARTICLE 2, CHAPTER 6, TITLE 4, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO CLARIFYING THE NUMBER OF ALLOWED CERTIFICATION PAY INCENTIVE TO GOVERNMENT OF GUAM LINE EMPLOYEES, AND THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTABILITY, THE UNIVERSITY OF GUAM, AND THE GUAM DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION EMPLOYEES WHO HAVE OBTAINED CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT, CERTIFIED GOVERNMENT FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT, CERTIFIED FRAUD EXAMINER, AND CERTIFIED INTERNAL AUDITOR CERTIFICATION.

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

2 Section 1. Subsection (d) of § 6235, Article 2, Chapter 6, Title 4, Guam

3 Code Annotated, is hereby *repealed* and *reenacted* to read:

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"(d) Certification Pay Differential, Established.

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(1) All government of Guam line employees, the Office of Public Accountability, the University of Guam, and the Guam Department of Education employees who have obtained a nationally recognized certification as a Certified Public Accountant (CPA), Certified Government Financial Manager (CGFM), Certified Fraud Examiner (CFE), or Certified Internal Auditor (CIA) *shall* be entitled to receive a single certification pay differential.

9 (2) The pay differential *shall* be applicable only to a single 10 certification accomplished by the employee, whichever is higher, and 11 will be processed based on only one (1) of the following, depending 12 on the highest certification accomplished:

13 (A) a Guam licensed CPA *shall* be eligible to receive a
14 fifteen percent (15%) increase; or

15(B) the CGFM, CFE, and CIA, which are nationally16recognized but not required to be Guam licensed, shall be17eligible to receive a ten percent (10%) increase; or

18 (C) if the employee is a Guam licensed CPA prior to
19 the enactment of this Act, Subsection (2)(A) of this Subsection
20 shall be applicable only.

(3) The pay differential *shall* apply and is *limited* to a single
certification, and *shall not* be used in any calculation of the rate of pay
with respect to overtime, and *shall not* be considered pay or
compensation in any calculation of enhanced compensation otherwise
provided by law.

26 (4) The employee salary must be commensurate with the27 currently approved government of Guam pay/wage scale. Any

1 deviation from the currently approved government of Guam pay plan shall not qualify for the differential pursuant to this Subsection (d). 2 3 The Director of Administration and the President of the (5)University of Guam shall implement a single certification pay 4 5 differential for all the CPA, CGFM, CFE, and CIA who are active in their area of certification. Accounting, auditing, budgeting, and 6 management professionals who have a national or Guam board 7 certification shall be entitled to the certification pay differential 8 9 provided in Item (1) of this Subsection, calculated at the rates above,

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10 added to the base pay to rectify an inequity in certification pay."

11 Section 2. Severability. If any provision of this Act or its application to 12 any person or circumstance is found to be invalid or contrary to law, such 13 invalidity *shall not* affect other provisions or applications of this Act that can be 14 given effect without the invalid provisions or application, and to this end the 15 provisions of this Act are severable.