

I Mina'trentai Siette Na Liheslaturan Guåhan
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5, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED.**

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

2 **Section 1. Legislative Findings and Intent.** *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* finds that
3 as part of its Fiscal Year 2024 General Operations Budget Request, the University
4 of Guam (UOG) requested One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000) to support capital
5 outlay, repairs, and maintenance of its facilities. *I Liheslatura* further finds that
6 according to its request, UOG has nearly Nine Million Dollars (\$9,000,000) in
7 deferred maintenance projects that have grown over the last five years, due to
8 decreased appropriations which has resulted in a lower budget for facilities
9 management and services.

1 *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* finds this has resulted in inadequacies in addressing
2 regular maintenance of UOG’s facilities and equipment such as water leaks, air
3 conditioning malfunctions, elevator failures, and other general maintenance
4 requirements, forcing the University to resort to temporary workarounds and quick
5 fixes.

6 Moreover, *I Liheslatura* finds that several of UOG’s buildings and structures
7 have experienced water leaks during the recent heavy rains, most especially during
8 the onslaught of Typhoon Mawar in May 2023. *I Liheslatura* understands that the
9 serious issue of roof leakages in many structures at the University, like the Robert
10 F. Kennedy Library, and air conditioning problems across its schools and colleges
11 pose a risk to the quality of education that the students of the UOG receive.

12 *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* recognizes that Typhoon Mawar-related damages to
13 the UOG campus have amplified the need to address the University’s list of deferred
14 maintenance projects to ensure the structural integrity and safety of its buildings
15 which serve students, faculty, staff, and members of the public. Accordingly, it is
16 the intent of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* to appropriate One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000)
17 from the Rainy Day Fund to the University of Guam to fund deferred maintenance
18 projects, to include Typhoon Mawar-related damages.

19 *I Liheslatura* recognizes that the dire need to repair and renovate facilities at
20 UOG for the benefit of its students and the integrity of its campus facilities aligns
21 with the terms on the use of the Rainy Fund set forth in § 22903(b) of Chapter 22,
22 Title 5, Guam Code Annotated.

23 **Section 2. Appropriation to the University of Guam.** Notwithstanding any
24 other provision of law, the sum of One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000) is appropriated
25 from the Rainy Day Fund to the University of Guam for the sole purpose of funding
26 deferred maintenance projects, as indicated in its Fiscal Year 2024 budget request,
27 to include Typhoon Mawar-related repairs to its facilities.

1 **Section 3. Administration.** Funds appropriated in Section 2 of this Act are
2 not subject to any transfer authority. The President of the University of Guam shall
3 provide reports to *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* on a quarterly basis until all funds are
4 expended.

5 **Section 4. Severability.** If any provision of this Act or its application to any
6 person or circumstance is found to be invalid or inorganic, such invalidity shall not
7 affect other provisions or applications of this Act that can be given effect without
8 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this Act are
9 severable.

10 **Section 5. Effective Date.** This Act shall be effective upon enactment.