

***I MINA TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN***

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Bill no. *95COR*

Introduced by:

**MATT RECTOR**

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**AN ACT TO MANDATE THE CONTINUED OPERATION OF THE FQ SANCHEZ ELEMENTARY SCHOOL BY THE GUAM PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM IN ORDER TO CONTINUE OPERATION OF A GOOD SCHOOL FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE PEOPLE OF THE VILLAGE OF UMATAC AND FOR THE PEOPLE OF GUAM BY ENACTING A NEW § 3122.1 ARTICLE 1, 17 GCA. TO BE HEREBY KNOWN AS:**

**THE MODEL COMMUNITY SCHOOL PROTECTION ACT.**

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

2 **Section 1. Legislative findings.** *I liheslaturan Guåhan* finds that FQ  
3 Sanchez Elementary School is a valuable asset of the people of Guam and  
4 of the community of Umatac. *I Liheslatura* further finds that it F.Q  
5 Sanchez is a model community school, where the majority of children can  
6 walk to school, and where every teacher and member of the staff knows  
7 every student and their family. F.Q Sanchez is a school that the village of  
8 Umatac calls their own, not just because of its historical significance, but  
9 and because many of the residents and community members of the village  
10 attended the school as well. *I liheslaturan Guåhan* further finds that

1 children, families and communities are not just numbers on a spreadsheet  
2 but real human beings with real needs, wants and concerns, and that those  
3 needs must always take a priority over saving a few dollars. It is therefore  
4 the intent of *I Liheslatura* to enact a new § 3122.1, Article 1, 17 GCA to  
5 mandate continued operation by the Guam Public School System of the  
6 School currently known as F.Q Sanchez Elementary at that Schools current  
7 facilities within the village of Umatac.

8 **Section 2. A new § 3122.1, Article 1, 17 GCA is hereby enacted to**  
9 **read:**

10 **“§ 3122.1. Continued Operation of F.Q Sanchez Elementary School.**

11 (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Historic  
12 property and Elementary School which is known as Francisco Q.  
13 Sanchez or F.Q. Sanchez Elementary School, located in the village of  
14 Umatac, shall continue in perpetuity as an operational Public  
15 Elementary school at the current location and facilities of F.Q.  
16 Sanchez Elementary, located at 156 San Dionicio Street within the  
17 village of Umatac, unless it becomes impracticable.

18 (b) The Guam Public School Systems shall continue to keep F.Q  
19 Sanchez Elementary School staffed fully in accordance with staffing  
20 patterns established by current collective Bargaining Agreements  
21 and/or Board Policy. The Guam Education Policy Board and  
22 Superintendent of Education will take all measures necessary and  
23 practicable under law to ensure that FQ Sanchez continues to receive  
24 adequate supplies and funding necessary for the school to comply  
25 with current law, regulation, Collective Bargaining Agreements  
26 and/or Board policies.

27 (c) The Guam Public School System (GPSS) board and  
28 Superintendent of Education shall continue to request adequate  
29 funding on an annual basis to meet the financial needs of F.Q.

1 Sanchez Elementary School from *I Liheslatura* and shall submit  
2 funding requests adequate for the needs of F.Q Sanchez Elementary  
3 School as otherwise required under law in accordance with the  
4 provisions of this article.