I MINA'TRENTA NA LIHESLATURÅN GUÅHAN 2010 (SECOND) Regular Session

Bill No. 471-30 (COR)

Introduced by:

Adolpho B. Palacios, Sr.

AN ACT TO REZONE LOT NO. 5, BLOCK NO. 3, TRACT 172 AGRICULTURAL SUBDIVISON OF LOT NO. 10065 MOGFOG, DEDEDO TO COMMERCIAL ZONE "C", FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSTRUCTING A MULTI-PURPOSE COMMUNITY CENTER FOR PUBLIC USAGE.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

Section 1. Legislative Findings and Intent. *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* finds
that the Ilocano Association of Guam (ILOAG), a non-profit civic organization
was established in Guam on November 16, 1955, and has distinguished itself
throughout the years as one of the most active and assistive Filipino non-profit,
civil organization on Guam.

I Liheslaturan Guåhan further finds that the ILOAG has frequently donated medical equipment to the Guam Memorial Hospital Authority and has also provided financial contributions to both the University of Guam and the Guam Community College for their scholarship programs. The ILOAG has also donated to other non-profit organizations on Guam, including the donations of picnic shelters for public usage at Ipao Beach and at the Mayor's Office in

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Tamuning, including the tennis court, and the statue of John F. Kennedy at the
 John F. Kennedy High School.

3 I Liheslaturan Guåhan further finds that the ILOAG has a one (1) acre lot 4 property in the Macheche Subdivision in Dededo, which is about 250 feet across 5 the PGD Condominiums and about 100 feet away on the side of Alegeta Road 6 (Calumbo Avenue). The ILOAG, with the wholehearted and strong support of 7 the Dededo Municipal Planning Council by resolution, and after lengthy 8 discussion with the Guam Housing and Urban Renewal Authority (GHURA), 9 has come into a cooperative and joint venture agreement with the two 10 governmental entities to construct a multi-purpose community center for public 11 usage to serve the thousands of low and moderate income residents of the 12 Macheche Subdivision and other neighboring areas.

13 I Liheslaturan Guåhan further finds that as a result of this cooperative 14 understanding, the ILOAG has submitted a grant application to GHURA in 2010 15 for federal funding under the Community Development Block Grant Program 16 (CDBG) of the Agency. The ILOAG has recently and officially been awarded the 17 sum of Eight Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$800,000) for the construction of a 18 multi-purpose community center, complete with a basketball court and another 19 small facility for public functions such as meetings, small gatherings, health 20 education classes, and similar activities. This multi-purpose community center

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will be utilized as a senior citizens center for the elderly residents of Macheche
and adjoining neighborhoods. The ILOAG has also culminated discussions with
the Division of Senior Citizens of the Department of Public Health and Social
Services (DPHSS) relative to the operation, management, and funding of the
proposed senior citizens center.

I Liheslaturan Guåhan further finds that this proposed project has been
extensively discussed by ILOAG with the residents of the Macheche Subdivision
who gave the Association their strong and undivided endorsement and support.
The Macheche Subdivision has no available vacant governmental land for the
construction of this much needed multi-purpose community center.

11 I Liheslaturan Guåhan further finds that the federal HUD agency requires 12 that this proposed multi-purpose community center be constructed on a 13 commercial zone property. The ILOAG property is zoned "Agricultural". The 14 grant award requires that the property on which the community center is to be 15 constructed must be zoned "Commercial". The status of the grant will be 16 jeopardized as a result of delay associated with the rezoning of the said property, 17 if the rezoning were to go through the Guam Land Use Commission (GLUC). 18 The traditional and governmental process of rezoning such property under the 19 GLUC may take four to six months, and maybe even longer because of the

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upcoming change of administration. The grant if not used by the end of Fiscal
 Year 2011 will lapse and may cease to be available.

Therefore, it is the intent of the *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* to rezone Lot No. 5,
Block No. 3, Tract 172 Agricultural Subdivision of Lot No. 10065 Mogfog,
Dededo to Commercial Zone, for the purpose of constructing a multi-purpose
community center.

7 Section 2. Rezoning. Lot No. 5, Block No. 3, Tract 172 Agricultural
8 Subdivision of Lot No. 10065 Mogfog, Municipality of Dededo is hereby rezoned
9 from Agricultural "A" to Commercial "C" for the purpose of constructing a
10 multi-purpose community center for public usage.

11 Section 3. Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, the Ilocano 12 Association of Guam shall be exempted from paying property tax on the 13 aforementioned property for the duration of the utilization of the facility as a 14 multi-purpose community center for public usage.