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Relative to conveying the opposition of I Mina'Trentai Dos Na Liheslaturan Guåhan to any plans to cancel the “Route 4 Safety Enhancements” from the Consent Decree for the closure of the Ordot Dump will cause unsafe consequences and disenfranchise our island’s southern residents.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF I MINA'TRENTAI DOS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN:

WHEREAS, the federal Consent Decree for the closure of the Ordot Dump, and the opening of a new landfill call for specific improvements along Route 4 in order to address the safety and traffic issues which have become problematic because of the opening of the Layon Landfill and the continuous use of Route 4 by heavy commercial-grade trucks traveling to and from the new landfill; and

WHEREAS, at the direction of Governor Eddie Calvo, the Legal Counsel for the Government of Guam is seeking to amend the consent decree to delete the planned improvements of Route 4 in order to produce $6.4 million in savings, which they are hoping will be applied to the on-going shortfall from funds earmarked to close the Ordot Dump; and

WHEREAS, the Calvo Administration has proceeded to secure this deletion without any consultation with our island’s southern mayors and residents, who will be
most negatively impacted by these changes currently being pursued in federal court by
the Calvo Administration; and

WHEREAS, the Legal Counsel for the Government of Guam argues that the
planned improvements to enhance traffic safety along Route 4 are not necessary because
Route 4 is safe and safe travel for solid waste trucks is being provided by a pilot vehicle
escorting the packer trucks from the Talofofo Bay area to the Layon Landfill; and

WHEREAS, in a submission to the U.S. District Court by the island’s Southern
Mayors, our Southern Mayors contend that the arguments put forth by the Calvo
Administration are “callous and totally oblivious to the transportation safety and quality
of life of the residents most impacted by this new facility,” and

WHEREAS, the weight of the trash trucks that are southbound to Layon are in
excess of the weight generally allowed on our highways. The commercial vehicles weigh
on average about 95,000 lbs. (at times in excess of 101,000 lbs.). In contrast, the
allowable weight limit set by law is 80,000 lbs. Studies support the fact that heavy
vehicles cause the most damage to roadways and the road segment between Talofofo Bay
and the entrance to Layon is not constructed to carry such weights; and

WHEREAS, the resulting degradation of Route 4 without adequate reconstruction
will result in greater safety risks and greater vehicle maintenance costs to motorists who
travel this roadway on a daily basis; and

WHEREAS, the assertion by the Governor’s Legal Counsel for the Government
of Guam that the use of a “pilot vehicle” is a reasonable alternative to the physical
improvement of the segment of Route 4 that is most critical in the movement of the trash
trucks is not supported by the facts and is not in the best interests of our island’s
community because the $6.5 million that has been estimated for the project envisions the
improvement to eighteen (18) critical spots along Route 4, in addition to the acquisition
of private property to widen critical areas, especially along the As’Lonso area; and

WHEREAS, the Calvo Administration’s proposal to only address the “safe”
movement of trash trucks is tantamount to the disenfranchising of southern motorists who
are effectively left to fend for themselves as they course through roadways that are being
damaged and degraded by movements of the heavy trash trucks; now therefore be it
RESOLVED, that the Committee on Rules, on behalf of I Mina'Trentai Dos Na
Liheslaturan Guåhan and the people of Guam, does hereby convey its opposition to any
plans to cancel the “Route 4 Safety Enhancements” from the Consent Decree for the
closure of the Ordot Dump; and be it further
RESOLVED, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules
certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest, to the adoption hereof, and that copies of the
same be thereafter transmitted to the Mayors of Inarajan, Talofofo, Merizo, Agat, Santa
Rita, Umatac, and Yona; to the Vice Mayor of Agat; to Mr. David L. Manning, Receiver,
Gershman, Brickner & Bratton, Inc. for The United States District Court; Mr. Rawlen
Mantanona, Attorney of Records for the Government in Civil Case No. 02-00022; to the
Honorable Leonardo M. Rapadas, Attorney General of Guam; to the Honorable Edward
J.B. Calvo, I Maga'låhen Guåhan.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF I
MINA'TRENTAI DOS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE DAY OF
OCTOBER 2014.

JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D.                        RORY J. RESPICIO
Speaker                                        Chairperson, Committee on Rules

TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES
Legislative Secretary