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The Honorable Mark Forbes Speaker *Mina' Bente Nuebe Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* 155 Hessler Street Hagåtña, Guam 96910

Dear Mr. Speaker:

Transmitted herewith is Bill No. 322(LS), "AN ACT TO *AMEND* TITLE 5 G.C.A. §60107 TO REVISE PROCEDURES FOR THE EFFECTIVE PROSECUTION OF VIOLATIONS OF GUAM'S NATURAL RESOURCE LAWS BY THE ISSUANCE OF CITATIONS AND TO PROVIDE THAT FINES AND PENALTIES COLLECTED THEREUNDER SHALL BE DEPOSITED INTO THE WILDLIFE CONSERVATION FUND" which I signed into law on January 29, 2007, as **Public Law 28-174.**

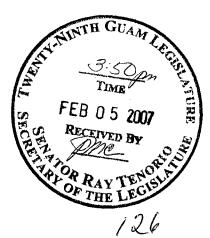
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FELIX P. CAMACHO I Maga'låhen Guåhan Governor of Guam

Attachment: copy attached of signed bill

cc: The Honorable Ray Tenorio Senator and Secretary of the Legislature



Office of the Speaker MARK FORBES Date: Time: cins. Reo'd by: Print Name:

I MINA'BENTE OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN 2006 (SECOND) Regular Session

CERTIFICATION OF PASSAGE OF AN ACT TO I MAGA'LAHEN GUÅHAN

This is to certify that Bill No. 322 (LS), "AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 5 G.C.A. §60107 TO REVISE PROCEDURES FOR THE EFFECTIVE PROSECUTION OF VIOLATIONS OF GUAM'S NATURAL RESOURCE LAWS BY THE ISSUANCE OF CITATIONS AND TO PROVIDE THAT FINES AND PENALTIES COLLECTED THEREUNDER SHALL BE DEPOSITED INTO THE WILDLIFE CONSERVATION FUND," as amended, was on the 20th day of December, 2006, duly and regularly passed.

Mark Forbes Speaker

Attested:

Edward J.B. Calvo

Senator and Secretary of the Legislature

This Act was received by I Maga'lahen Guåhan this <u>30</u> day of <u>Dec</u>, 2006, at

30_o'clock

Assistant Staff Officer Maga'lahi's Office

FELIX P. CAMACHO I Maga'lahen Guåhan

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Date:

Public Law No. **28–174**

MINA'BENTE OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN 2006 (SECOND) Regular Session

Bill No. 322 (LS)

As amended on the Floor.

Introduced by:

J. M.S. Brown J. T. Won Pat <u>F. B. Aguon, Jr.</u> Edward J.B. Calvo B. J.F. Cruz Mike Cruz Mark Forbes L. F. Kasperbauer R. Klitzkie J. A. Lujan A. B. Palacios, Sr. R. J. Respicio Ray Tenorio A. R. Unpingco

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1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

Section 1. Legislative Findings and Intent. *I Liheslatura* finds that effective
deterrence of violations of Guam's Natural Resource laws requires an amendment of
the current statutes on the subject. Therefore, *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* intends to apply
§60107 of Chapter 60, Title 5 Guam Code Annotated, to Chapter 63, Title 5 Guam
Code Annotated.

§60107 of Article 1, Chapter 60, Division 6 of Title 5 Guam Code 1 Section 2: 2 Annotated is *amended* to read: 3 **"§60107. Violation.** 4 The Director of the Department of Agriculture, through the (a) Administrative Adjudication Law, is hereby authorized to enact 5 schedules for penalties and citations that: 6 7 (1) do not exceed One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) per 8 incident; and 9 (2) allow any peace officer on Guam to issue a citation for a violation of Chapters 60 and 63 of Title 5 of the Guam Code 10 Annotated, their supporting regulations and Public Law 24-21 as 11 12 appropriate. 13 (1) A citation issued pursuant to Chapters 60 and 63 of Title 5 of (b) the Guam Code Annotated, their supporting regulations and Public 14 15 Law 24-21, shall be accompanied by a notice to appear at the Traffic Court Division of the Superior Court of Guam. Failure of the person 16 17 cited to appear as directed by the notice may subject him to further penalties for contempt of court. 18 19 (2) Violations of this Article shall be prosecuted in the Traffic Court Division of the Superior Court of Guam, which shall impose the 20 Parents and legal guardians shall be 21 penalties created herein. responsible for any violations hereof committed by minors under their 22 custody. 23 24 All monies collected by the court for fines and penalties imposed (c)25 hereunder shall be transferred to the Wildlife Conservation Fund as 26 described in §63130 of Article 1, Chapter 63, Division 6 of Title 5 of

۰. ۱ the Guam Code Annotated. The Superior Court shall render a quarterly report to the Department of Agriculture reflecting defendants' names, addresses and other identifying information regarding violators who have been ordered to remit fines and penalties. The Superior Court shall create forms approved by the Director of the Department of Agriculture for citations, record violations, provide for the administration of the prosecution of violators and establish an orderly, secure and efficient procedure for the processing of Natural Resource citations pursuant to Subsections (a) and (b) hereof.

(d) The Director of the Department of Agriculture may enter into such written Memoranda of Understanding with the Superior Court of Guam and other government of Guam agencies as are necessary to effectuate the purposes of this Act.

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- (e) The Director of the Department of Agriculture may also enact such regulations to effectuate the purposes of this Act as are appropriate. The existing penalties as described in §63129 of Chapter 63 of Title 5 of the Guam Code Annotated, Public Law 28-107, and their supporting regulations to include Public Law 24-21 shall remain in effect until the new schedule of penalties and citations is enacted.
- (f) Nothing in this Section shall nullify or modify any civil or criminal
 law enforcement powers, penalties or obligations granted by federal
 or local law to the Department of Agriculture to punish offenses of the
 hunting and fishing laws of Guam, including, but not limited to, the
 right to perform searches and seizures, to make lawful arrests and to
 seek and recover the forfeiture of items employed by violators."

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