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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. 270(EC), "AN ACT TO ADD A NEW SUBSECTION 121901(d), ARTICLE 19, CHAPTER 12, TITLE 10 OF THE GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, AND TO REPEAL AND REOENACT §121903(c), ARTICLE 19, CHAPTER 12, TITLE 10 OF THE GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO CREATING EXCEPTIONS TO LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS FOR VOLUNTEER VETERINARIANS" which I signed into law on January 29, 2007, as Public Law 28-186.

Sinseru yan Magåhet,

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 Rec'd by

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 Substitute Bill No. 270 (EC), "AN ACT TO ADD A NEW SUBSECTION 121901(d), ARTICLE 19, CHAPTER 12, TITLE 10 OF THE GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, AND TO REPEAL AND RE-ENACT §121903(c), ARTICLE 19, CHAPTER 12, TITLE 10 OF THE GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO CREATING EXCEPTIONS TO LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS FOR VOLUNTEER VETERINARIANS," was on the 27th day of December, 2006, duly and regularly passed.

Attested:	Mark Forbes Speaker
Édward J.B. Calvo	
Senator and Secretary of the Legislature	
	Guåhan this 30 day of Dec., 2006, at Assistant Staff Officer Maga'lahi's Office
APPROVED: FELIX P. CAMACHO I Maga'lahen Guåhan	
Date: 2 9 JAN 2007	

Public Law No. 28-186

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

Bill No. 270 (EC)

As substituted by the Committee on Health and Human Services and amended.

Introduced by:

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AN ACT TO *ADD* A NEW SUBSECTION 121901(d), ARTICLE 19, CHAPTER 12, TITLE 10 OF THE GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, AND TO *REPEAL AND RE-ENACT* §121903(c), ARTICLE 19, CHAPTER 12, TITLE 10 OF THE GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO *CREATING EXCEPTIONS* TO LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS FOR VOLUNTEER VETERINARIANS.

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

- 2 Section 1. Legislative Findings and Intent. I Liheslatura finds that the
- 3 annual spay and neuter clinics sponsored by Guam Animals in Need, Inc. (GAIN)
- 4 benefit Guam by successfully controlling the increasing number of stray animals at

- 1 minimal or no cost to pet owners. I Liheslatura further finds that hundreds of
- 2 responsible pet owners take advantage of the low-cost animal-control services
- 3 provided by volunteer veterinarians at GAIN's annual clinics. In recent years,
- 4 however, veterinarians licensed in other jurisdictions have faced obstacles to
- 5 performing this public service without first obtaining a Guam License.

- Section 2. A new Subsection 121901(d), Article 19, Chapter 12, Title 10 of the Guam Code Annotated is hereby *added* to read:
 - "(d) 'Animal control' means animal health and animal population control programs that include some or all of the following services: sterilization, worming, vaccinations, general health examinations, pet licensing, and emergency or critical care services needed in conjunction with other services."
 - **Section 3.** §121903(c), Article 19, Chapter 12, Division 1, Part 2, Title 10 of the Guam Code Annotated is hereby *repealed and re-enacted* to read as follows:
 - "(c) A person advising or performing acts which the Board or Guam law recognizes as accepted animal control or livestock management practices, provided that animal control *shall* be subject to the following conditions:
 - (i) such services must be rendered under the direction and sponsorship of a charitable organization or government agency that assumes full responsibility for the treatment or services;
 - (ii) veterinary services must be performed by, or under the supervision of, a person currently licensed to practice veterinary medicine in any state, province, territory, commonwealth or possession of the United States, Canada, the United Kingdom, Australia, New Zealand, Japan or the Philippines, and such other jurisdictions as the Board may from time-to-time designate. Copies of the visiting practitioners' licenses must be submitted to the Board prior to a project

of animal control and *shall* be available on the premises for inspection. These license copies shall serve as *licenses* to work on an animal control project for *no longer than* eight (8) days per project. Controlled substances *shall* be administered pursuant to the Uniform Controlled Substances Act of Guam, Chapter 67, Title 9 GCA;

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- (iii) *no* person shall receive any fee or remuneration of any kind, other than payment of or reimbursement for travel, lodging, meals and expenses reasonably incurred by participating service providers. The sponsoring organization may charge and receive a fee or donation for services rendered, which fee shall be reasonably calculated to recover actual or anticipated project costs, including reimbursement of expenses incurred by service providers. Services shall be provided free of charge to persons receiving public assistance who are the lawful owners of animals which receive services;
- (iv) animal control projects shall *not* be conducted by a charitable or government organization more than two (2) times per calendar year; and
- (v) within thirty (30) days after each project, the project sponsor shall provide the Board with a written report identifying the number and nature of procedures performed, and the names, addresses, and telephone numbers of all veterinarians participating in the program."