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**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** *I MINA'TRENTAI SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* IS CALLED TO ORDER BUENAS AND GOOD MORNING COLLEAGUES WE WILL BEGIN WITH A PRAYER PLEASE RISE AND SENATOR DUEÑAS WE KINDLY LEAD US.

**SENATOR DUEÑAS:** *SI YU'OS MA'ÅSE'* SPEAKER MAY WE ALL PUT OURSELVES IN THE PRESENCE OF THE LORD IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER AND THE SON AND THE HOLY SPIRIT AMEN LORD WE'VE COME BEFORE YOU THIS MORNING TO START THIS LEGISLATIVE SESSION IN RECOGNITION OF YOUR OMNIPOTENT POWER AND THE GREATEST WISDOM IN THE WORLD AND IN THE UNIVERSE WOULD YOU IN PART LORD PLEASE SOME OF THAT WISDOM UPON US MERE MORTALS AS WE DEBATE POLICY FOR THE PEOPLE OF GUAM WOULD YOU PLEASE LORD BLESS US WITH TEMPERANCE BLESS US WITH RESPECT BLESS US WITH DISCERNMENT AND UNDERSTANDING LORD GOD THAT THESE RESOURCES ARE DESIGNED FOR OUR PEOPLE MOST ESPECIALLY THE LEAST AMONG US IN THIS LENTEN SEASON LORD WE RECOGNIZE SACRIFICE THE ULTIMATE SACRIFICE THAT OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST GAVE TO ONCE AGAIN FORGIVE US MERE MORTALS AND SINNERS MAY WE ALSO THINK OF FORGIVENESS AS WE MOVE FORWARD IT'S IMPORTANT TO CLEANSE OUR SOULS LORD GOD BUT TO DELIBERATE WITH THE WISDOM THAT YOU'VE GIVEN US WE PRAY YOUR PRAYER AS WELL LORD GOD THAT YOU'VE GIVEN US OUR FATHER WHO ART IN HEAVEN HALLOWED BE THY NAME THY KINGDOM COME THY WILL BE DONE ON EARTH AS IT IS IN HEAVEN GIVE US THIS DAY OUR DAILY BREAD FORGIVE US OUR TRESPASSES AS WE FORGIVE THOSE WHO TRESPASS AGAINST US AND LEAD US NOT INTO TEMPTATION BUT DELIVER US FROM EVIL FOR THINE IS THE KINGDOM THE GLORY AND THE POWER FOREVER AND EVER AMEN IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER AND THE SON AND THE HOLY SPIRIT AMEN.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** *SI YU'OS MA'ÅSE'* SENATOR DUEÑAS SENATOR BLAS COULD YOU PLEASE LEAD US IN RECOGNIZING A RECIPIENT OF *I MILÅYAN MÅS TAKHILO NA SAKRAFISU*.

**SENATOR BLAS:** ON BEHALF OF A GRATEFUL ISLAND AND COUNTRY WE HONOR SERGEANT JUAN DUEÑAS CEPEDA AND THE FAMILY OF SERGEANT JUAN DUEÑAS CEPEDA FOR MAKING THE ULTIMATE SACRIFICE IN SERVICE AND DEFENSE OF OUR ISLAND AND COUNTRY.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** *SI YU'OS MA'ÅSE'* WERE GONNA HAVE THE SINGING OF THE GUAM HYMN AND THE SINGING OF THE NATIONAL HYMN LED BY SENATOR OH I'M SORRY THE *INIFRESI* SORRY *DISPENSA'* WE NOW HAVE THE *INIFRESI* LED BY SENATOR SENATOR JOE SAN AGUSTIN.

**SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN:** *GINEN I MÅS TAKHELO' GI HINASSO-KU, I MÅS TAKHALOM GI KURASON-HU, YAN I MÅS FIGO' NA NINA'SIÑÅ-HU, HU UFRESEN MAISA YU' PARA BAI HU PRUTEHI YAN HU DIFENDE I HINENGGE, I KOTTURA, I LENGGUÅHI, I AIRE, I HANOM, YAN I TANO' CHAMORU NI' IRENSIÅ-KU DIRECHO GINEN AS YU'OS TÅTA. ESTE HU AFITMA GI HILO' I BIPBLIA YAN I BANDERÅ-HU, I BANDERAN GUÅHAN.*

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** WERE GONNA HAVE THE SINGING OF THE GUAM HYMN LED BY SENATOR SAN NICOLAS AND THE SINGING OF THE NATIONAL ANTHEM LED BY SENATOR PARKINSON.

**SENATOR SAN NICOLAS:** *FANOHGGE CHAMORRO PUT I TANO' TA KANTA I MATUNA-NA GI TODU I LUGAT PARA I ONRA, PARA I GLORIA ABIBA I ISLA SINPARAT. PARA I ONRA, PARA I GLORIA ABIBA I ISLA SINPARAT. TODU I TIEMPO I PAS PARA HITA YAN GINEN I LANGET NA BENDISION KONTRA I PILIGRU NA'FANSAFO HAM YU'OS PRUTEHI I ISLAN GUAMKONTRA I PILIGRU NA'FANSAFO HAM YU'OS PRUTEHI I ISLAN GUAM.*

**SENATOR PARKINSON:** O SAY CAN YOU SEE, BY THE DAWN'S EARLY LIGHT, WHAT SO PROUDLY WE HAIL'D AT THE TWILIGHT'S LAST GLEAMING, WHOSE BROAD STRIPES AND BRIGHT STARS THROUGH THE PERILOUS FIGHT O'ER THE RAMPARTS WE WATCH'D WERE SO GALLANTLY STREAMING AND THE ROCKET'S RED GLARE, THE

BOMBS BURSTING IN AIR, GAVE PROOF THROUGH THE NIGHT THAT OUR FLAG WAS STILL THERE, O SAY DOES THAT STAR-SPANGLED BANNER YET WAVE O’ER THE LAND OF THE FREE AND THE HOME OF THE BRAVE.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** *SI YU’OS MA’ÁSE’* COLLEAGUES AND FOR SHARING ALL YOUR TALENT WITH US WE’RE NOW ON ROLL CALL CLERKS PLEASE TAKE THE ROLE.

**SUBSTITUTE CLERK** SENATOR BARNETT SENATOR BLAS SENATOR BROWN SENATOR DUEÑAS VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES SENATOR FISHER SENATOR LUJAN SENATOR PARKINSON SENATOR PEREZ SENATOR QUINATA SENATOR SAN AUGSTIN SENATOR SAN NICOLAS SENATOR SHELTON SENATOR TAITAGUE SPEAKER TARLAJE MADAM SPEAKER THERE IS A QUORUM.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** *SI YU’OS MA’ÁSE’* CLERKS MAJORITY LEADER SENATOR SHELTON YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

**SENATOR SHELTON:** *SI YU’OS MA’ÁSE’* MADAM SPEAKER BUENAS I MOVED TO APPROVE THE LEGISLATIVE JOURNALS DATED MARCH 3RD 2023 AND MARCH 15 2023 SUBJECT TO CORRECTIONS.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** ON THAT MOTION TO APPROVE THE LEGISLATIVE JOURNALS ON FOR THOSE DATES IS THERE ANY OBJECTION SEEING NO OBJECTION MOTION CARRIES MAJORITY LEADER YOU’RE RECOGNIZED.

**SENATOR SHELTON:** *SI YU’OS MA’ÁSE’* MADAM SPEAKER THERE ARE COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS AND I MOVE THAT THEY BE APPENDED TO TODAY’S SESSION JOURNAL.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** ON THAT MOTION TO APPEND COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS TO THE SESSION JOURNAL IS THERE ANY OBJECTION SEEING NO OBJECTION MOTION CARRIES MAJORITY LEADER SENATOR SHELTON YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

**SENATOR SHELTON:** MADAM SPEAKER THERE ARE MESSAGES FROM *I MAGAHÁGAN GUAHÁN* AND I MOVE THAT THEY BE APPENDED TODAY TODAY’S SESSION JOURNAL.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** ON THAT MOTION TO APPEND MESSAGES FROM *I MAGAHÁGAN GUAHÁN* TO THE SESSION JOURNAL IS THERE ANY OBJECTION SEEING THE OBJECTION MOTION CARRIES MAJORITY LEADER YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

**SENATOR SHELTON:** *SI YU’OS MA’ÁSE’* THERE ARE REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES AND I MOVE THAT THEY BE APPENDED TO TODAY’S SESSION JOURNAL.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** ON THE MOTION THAT REPORT STANDING COMMITTEES BE AMENDED TO TODAY’S SESSION JOURNAL ARE THERE ANY OBJECTIONS SEEING NO OBJECTION MOTION CARRIES MAJORITY LEADER SHELTON YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

**SENATOR SHELTON:** *SI YU’OS MA’ÁSE’* MADAM SPEAKER THERE ARE NO REPORTS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** THANK YOU.

**SENATOR SHELTON:** MADAM SPEAKER I MOVE THAT BILLS INTRODUCED BILL NO.S 53-37 COR THROUGH 72-37 COR 73-37 LS THROUGH 77-37 LS 78-37 COR AND 79-37 COR AND RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED RESOLUTION NO.S 29-37 COR THROUGH 41-37 COR 42-37 LS THROUGH 49-37 LS AND 50-37 COR THROUGH 59-37 COR BE DEEMED TO HAVE BEEN GIVEN THEIR FIRST READING.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** ON THAT MOTION THAT THE BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS BE DEEMED TO HAVE BEEN GIVEN THEIR FIRST READING IS THERE ANY OBJECTION SEEING NO OBJECTION MOTION CARRIES WERE NOW ON MOTIONS MAJORITY LEADER SHELTON YOU ARE RECOGNITION.

**SENATOR SHELTON:** *SI YU’OS MA’ÁSE’* MADAM SPEAKER I MOVED TO EXCUSE SENATORS NOT PRESENT FOR TODAY’S LEGISLATIVE SESSION.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** ON THAT MOTION TO APPROVE SENATORS NOT PRESENT FOR TODAY’S SESSION IS THERE ANY OBJECTION SEEING NO OBJECTION MOTION CARRIES YOU HAVE A POINT OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE PLEASE STATE YOUR POINT OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE.

**SENATOR PARKINSON:** THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER I JUST WANT TO SPEAK BRIEFLY ABOUT SOME OF WHAT WAS GOING ON IN TERMS OF COMMUNICATIONS AMONG THIS BODY LAST TERM.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** LAST TERM.

**SENATOR PARKINSON:** OR NOT LAST TERM EXCUSE ME DURING THE EMERGENCY SPECIAL.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** SENATOR PARKINSON YOU YOU CAN EXTEND THOSE AT AN EXTENSION OF REMARKS TODAY THAT'S WHAT YOU WOULD LIKE

**SENATOR PARKINSON:** OH YES MA'AM ALL RIGHT WELL POINT TAKEN.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** THANK YOU ON MOTIONS ARE THERE ANY MOTIONS ALL RIGHT SENATOR SHELTON MAJORITY LEADER YOU'RE A RECOGNIZED UNDER MOTIONS.

**SENATOR SHELTON:** *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* MADAM SPEAKER LEGISLATIVE CONCURRENCE.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** NO THE CONGRATULATORY.

**SENATOR SHELTON:** OKAY THANK YOU VERY MUCH I MOVE THAT ALL CONGRATULATORY COMMENDATORY AND CONDOLENCE RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED TODAY AND FOR THE REMAINDER OF THIS SESSION BE CONSIDERED FIRST READ AND ADOPTED AND TO ALLOW THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS AND TO ADD ALL SENATORS AS CO-SPONSORS.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** ON THAT MOTION ARE THERE ANY OBJECTIONS SEEING NO OBJECTION MOTION CARRIES SENATOR PEREZ YOU RECOGNIZE UNDER MOTIONS.

**SENATOR PEREZ:** THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER I MOVED TO REMOVE ITEM BILL NO. 46-37 COR AS AMENDED BY THE COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT REVENUE AND TAXATION LABOR PROCUREMENT STATISTICS RESEARCH AND PLANNING SPONSORED BY MYSELF AND SENATOR CHRIS BARNETT IT'S AN ACT TO ADD NEW SECTION 5425.2 TO PART A OF ARTICLE 9 CHAPTER 5 TITLE 5 GUAM CODE ANNOTATED RELATIVE TO PROVIDING TEMPORARY EXPEDITED PROCUREMENT PROTEST PROCEDURES FOR ACQUISITIONS FUNDED WITH AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT EDUCATION STABILIZATION FUND OR HEAD START GRANT MONIES ALLOTTED TO THE GUAM DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION OFF THE AGENDA DUE TO IT WAS A PASS BY THE BODY DURING THE EMERGENCY SESSION.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** THANK YOU SENATOR ON THAT MOTION TO REMOVE BILL 46-37 COR AS AMENDED BY THE COMMITTEE FROM THE AGENDA BECAUSE IT WAS PASSED ALREADY IN THE SPECIAL SESSION OR IN THE EMERGENCY SESSION ANY OBJECTION SEEING AN OBJECTION MOTION CARRIES.

**NOTE SENATOR SHELTON PRESIDES**

**SENATOR SHELTON:** WE ARE STILL IN MOTION SPEAKER TERLAJE YOU ARE RECOGNIZED FOLLOWED BY SENATOR PARKINSON.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** THANK YOU I'M A RISE UNDER MOTIONS TODAY TO NOTWITHSTANDING THE GOVERNOR'S VETO OF BILL NO. 13-37 COR WHICH IS AN ACT TO AMEND 83 102 D AND ADD A NEW 83116 TO CHAPTER 83 ALL OF TITLE 12 GUAM CODE ANNOTATED RELATIVE TO INCREASING PUBLIC NOTICE AND TRANSPARENCY OF THE ACTIONS BY THE GUAM 21ST CENTURY HEALTH CARE CENTER COMMITTEE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE PROPOSED MEDICAL HEALTH CARE CAMPUS I'M MOVING FOR AN OVERRIDE OF THAT BILL NOTWITHSTANDING THE GOVERNOR'S VETO.

**SENATOR SHELTON:** ON THE MOTION NOTWITHSTANDING THE GOVERNOR'S VETO OF BILL NO. 13-37 COR ARE THERE ANY OBJECTIONS.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** OH I'D LIKE TO SPEAK.

**SENATOR SHELTON:** OH YES PLEASE PROCEED.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** YES SO IN THE GOVERNOR'S FIVE-PAGE FRONT AND BACK VETO LETTER ON BILLS 12 AND 13. SHE DEVOTED FOUR SENTENCES TO THE JUSTIFICATION OF HER VETO OF BILL 13. SHE STATED SIMILARLY BILL 13-37 SEEKS TO DESIGNATE ADDITIONAL INDIVIDUALS INCLUDING MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATURE AS

MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE AUTHORIZED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PROCUREMENT OF CONTRACTORS FOR THE MEDICAL COMPLEX LET'S BE CLEAR THESE BILLS ARE NOT ABOUT TRANSPARENCY THEY ARE ABOUT CONTROL THESE OBSTRUCTIONIST POLITICIANS ARE FRUSTRATED WITH THE FACT THAT THEY CANNOT DIRECT OR CONTROL THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH'S EFFORTS TO ESTABLISH THE NEW HOSPITAL THEIR INTENSE THIRST FOR POWER HAS DRIVEN THESE POLITICIANS TO MISLEAD AND MANIPULATE OUR PEOPLE TO SUPPORT THEIR POLITICAL ENDS UNQUOTE THAT'S THE GOVERNOR'S VETOED MESSAGE OF BILL NO. 13 WHICH WAS TO MANDATE THE OPEN GOVERNMENT LAW BE FOLLOWED BY THE 21ST CENTURY HEALTHCARE CENTER COMMITTEE THAT IS GOING TO BRING FOR US A ONE BILLION DOLLAR HOSPITAL AND THE COMMITMENTS THAT GO WITH IT WE ASK FOR OPEN GOVERNMENT WE ASK THAT NOTICES BE PUBLISHED WE ASK THAT ADDITIONAL MEMBERS BE PUT ON THAT TASK FORCE INCLUDING DOCTORS I HAVE SAID MANY TIMES IN THIS SESSION HALL AND OUT IN THE COMMUNITY AND CONSIDERING WHAT OUR PEOPLE IN THIS BODY HAVE EXPERIENCED DURING THE PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY WITH A CONSTANT LACK OF COMMUNICATION AND TRANSPARENCY IT SHOULD BE VERY CLEAR TO ALL ELECTED INTO PUBLIC SERVICE THAT TRANSPARENCY AND PROVIDING INFORMATION TO THE PEOPLE OF GUAM IS THE ONLY WAY WE CAN MAKE THE GOVERNMENT MORE TRUSTWORTHY MORE EFFICIENT AND MORE RESPONSIVE TO THE NEEDS OF THE PEOPLE AND LET ME AGAIN BE CLEAR ASKING QUESTIONS REQUESTING INFORMATION EXPRESSING CONCERNS ASKING TO BE PART OF THE CONVERSATION DOES NOT MEAN THAT I OR ANY OTHER SENATOR HERE OR MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC WHO HAVE DONE THE SAME IS AGAINST THE BUILDING OF A NEW HOSPITAL OR IS JUST TRYING TO THROW A MONKEY WRENCH INTO THE PROCESS TO RUIN IT THIS HAS BEEN THE KEY PIECE OF MISINFORMATION SPREAD BY THE ADMINISTRATION EVIDENCED BY THE NUMEROUS TEMPLATE EMAILED LETTERS THAT I AND OTHER SENATORS HAVE BEEN BOMBARDED WITH SINCE LAST WEEK MIND YOU A GREAT MAJORITY OF THOSE EMAILS ARE FROM PRACTICALLY EVERY MEMBER OF THE GOVERNOR'S ADMINISTRATION I CAN'T EVEN ADDRESS THE JUSTIFICATION OUTLINED BY THE GOVERNOR FOR HER VETO OF THIS BILL BECAUSE DOING SO WOULD REQUIRE LOWERING MYSELF TO THE LEVEL OF NAME-CALLING UNFOUNDED ACCUSATIONS STEMMING FROM WHAT SEEMS LIKE PARANOIA AND JUST A COMPLETE DISREGARD AND DISRESPECT FOR ALL OUR EFFORTS TO BEST REPRESENT THE EXPRESSED CONCERNS OF OUR COMMUNITY REGARDING THIS PROJECT SO LET ME JUST STICK TO THE LOGIC AND REITERATE THE FACTS OF WHAT BILL 13-37 COR AIMS TO DO THE BILL WILL INCLUDE REPRESENTATION ON THE 21ST CENTURY HEALTHCARE COMMITTEE FOR THE GUAM MEDICAL SOCIETY AND THE GUAM MEDICAL ASSOCIATION REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE IMPACTED MUNICIPAL PLANNING COUNCILS AND ONE REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE GUAM LEGISLATURE THIS BILL WILL INCORPORATE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS INTO THE HEALTH CARE CENTER COMMITTEE WHO WERE PREVIOUSLY NOT ENGAGED WITH THE PLANNING OF THE CAMPUS TO ALLOW THEM THE OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS CONCERNS ABOUT THE PROXIMITY OF THE CAMPUS TO EXISTING CLINICS AND OTHER MEDICAL RELATED INFRASTRUCTURE THE BILL WILL ENSURE THAT PEOPLE OF GUAM MEDICAL PROVIDERS AND THE LEGISLATURE ARE INFORMED OF THE MEETINGS THEIR ACTIONS AND THEIR DECISIONS SURROUNDING THE DESIGN THE LEASE AND FINANCING OF THE PROPOSED ONE BILLION DOLLAR HEALTHCARE CAMPUS BY MAKING THE COMMITTEE MEETINGS SUBJECT TO THE OPEN GOVERNMENT LAW AND THE BILL BY APPLYING THE OPEN GOVERNMENT LAW REQUIREMENTS IN 5GCA CHAPTER 8 TO THIS HEALTH CARE COMMITTEE WHICH ARE APPLIED TO EVERY OTHER TASK FORCE COMMITTEE AGENCY THE LEGISLATURE IT WILL ALLOW THE PUBLIC TO ATTEND THE MEETINGS AND ENSURE THAT RECORDS OF THE DELIBERATION AND THE DECISIONS ARE MADE AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC GITA STATED IN ONE OF OUR OVERSIGHT HEARINGS THAT A SURVEY OF THE DOCTORS OF THE MEDICAL COMPLEX THAT THEY HAD SURVEYED THE DOCTORS ON THE MEDICAL COMPLEX AND THE LOCATION AND YET WE HAVE NOT SEEN THE RESULTS OF THOSE SURVEYS MADAM SPEAKER IF GIVING DOCTORS WHOM WILL BE CARING FOR PATIENTS IN THE MEDICAL COMPLEX AND HAVE TO ADJUST THEIR PRIVATE PRACTICES IN ORDER TO DO SO AND GIVING THE PUBLIC WHO WILL BE SEEKING CARE AT THIS MEDICAL COMPLEX AND THE LEGISLATURE WHO IS RESPONSIBLE FOR APPROPRIATING TAXPAYER DOLLARS FOR THE CONTINUED OPERATIONS OF THIS MEDICAL COMPLEX AND THE FINANCING OF IT AND THE CONSTRUCTION OF IT GIVING THOSE PEOPLE A SEAT AT THE TABLE EQUATES TO OBSTRUCTION AND A BLOODTHIRSTY NEED FOR CONTROL IN THE EYES OF THE ADMINISTRATION THEN I HAVE BEEN GIVING THEM WAY TOO MUCH CONFIDENCE THAT SOMEHOW THEY WILL GET ONE BILLION DOLLARS IN TAXPAYER MONEY WITHOUT ANY ACCOUNTABILITY I'M HOPING THIS WAS A FLUKE OF A LETTER THAT WAS SENT AND THAT WE DON'T HAVE TO SEE THIS KIND OF GOVERNMENT ANYMORE IT'S MISGUIDED IT'S AN UNREASONABLE RESPONSE TO THIS BILL AND SHOULD REALLY ONLY STRENGTHEN THIS BODY'S RESOLVE TO HOLD THIS ELECTED ADMINISTRATION ACCOUNTABLE AND DEMAND OUR PEOPLE AND MEDICAL PROFESSIONALS HAVE A SEAT ON THE TABLE THAT THEY ARE ABLE TO HEAR THE DELIBERATIONS THEY THERE IS NO VALID ARGUMENT AS TO WHY THAT CANNOT BE DONE OR SHOULD NOT BE DONE SO COLLEAGUES BILL

13-37 COR WAS UNANIMOUSLY PASSED BY THIS BODY I ASK YOU TO AGAIN STAND IN SUPPORT OF ITS TRUE INTENT TO ENSURE TRANSPARENCY AND IN SUPPORT AND OVERRIDE OF THE GOVERNOR'S VETO *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'*.

**SENATOR SHELTON:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH MADAM SPEAKER WE ARE STILL IN MOTIONS ON THE MOTION NOTWITHSTANDING THE GOVERNOR'S VETO OF BILL 13-37 WOULD ANYONE ELSE LIKE TO DISCUSS SENATOR DUEÑAS YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

**SENATOR DUEÑAS:** *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* MADAM CHAIR MADAM SPEAKER I LEARN FROM A GREAT MEDIA FRIEND OF MINE IT'S A LITTLE DANGEROUS TO TRY TO ADD TO ELOQUENT REMARKS BUT I'M GOING TO DO IT ANYWAYS BY STARTING BY SAYING SPEAKER TERESE TERLAJE WELCOME TO MY WORLD MADAM SPEAKER I RISE IN FULL SUPPORT OF THE OVERRIDE OF BILL 1337 AND I EQUALLY WILL NOT LOWER MYSELF TO THE INAPPROPRIATE VITRIOLIC COMMENTS CONTAINED IN THE FIVE PAGE VETO MESSAGE OF BILL 1337 AND 12 37. MADAM SPEAKER I KNOW THAT WE ALL ARE CAPABLE OF ENGAGING IN PASSIONATE DISCOURSE WE ALL ARE EQUALLY CAPABLE OF EXCHANGING BARBS BUT WHEN LANGUAGE STARTS TO DETERIORATE TO THE POINT TO WHERE IT EVEN GETS PEOPLE IN SUCH A FRENZY THEY START TO EVEN PRODUCE ILLEGAL DOCUMENTS FROM THIS BODY IN THEIR FERVOR TO TRY TO DEMONIZE AND MANIPULATE THE PUBLIC DEMONIZE INDIVIDUALS IN THIS BODY AND MANIPULATE THE PUBLIC GOING TO THE ACTUAL CONTENT OF BILL 13 AND LATER WE'LL BE DISCUSSING BILL 1237 WHICH HAVE BOTH BEEN VETOED IT MIRRORS WHAT I FOUGHT FOR IN THE ENTIRE TIME THAT I WAS IN THE 36 GUAM LEGISLATURE ON BILL 11 36 THAT WE UNFORTUNATELY COULD NOT GET OVERRIDDEN BY THIS BODY AND I HOPE THAT CHANGES NOW WITH REGARD TO THESE PROPOSALS FOR TRANSPARENCY AN ADVOCATE IN OUR COMMUNITY IN KEN LEON-GUERRERO WAS ARRESTED MADAM CHAIR WAS ARRESTED WHILE TRYING TO ENGAGE IN A CLOSED-DOOR MEETING DISCUSSING A PROPOSAL FOR THE NEW HOSPITAL AMONGST CERTAIN ELITE INDIVIDUALS THAT WOULD OBLIGATE THIS GOVERNMENT TO BILLIONS OF DOLLARS OF EXPENDITURE MADAM CHAIR A RELATED ISSUE WHEN WE TALK ABOUT GEDA AND TRANSPARENCY I THINK IT WAS PUBLIC ADVOCATES THAT SAID TAKE A LOOK AT ONE OF THE APPLICATIONS CURRENTLY BEFORE IT TO GIVE AWAY MILLIONS AND MILLIONS OF DOLLARS IN TAX RELIEF ON A BUSINESS THAT IS SAME TO MANY BUSINESSES ON GUAM THAT WAS TRANSPARENT YET FOR SOME REASON UNDER THIS PROPOSAL THERE IS A DESIRE TO HOARD INFORMATION TO EVENTUALLY LURCH UPON THIS LEGISLATURE ANOTHER PROPOSAL BY THE GOVERNOR WHO DISCUSSES THIS BILL AS A SEPARATION OF POWERS ISSUES BUT HAS EXERCISED UNILATERAL POWERS WHEN IT COMES TO WHATEVER SHE WANTS TO DO I AM GLAD THAT THIS LEGISLATURE IS STANDING UP I AM GLAD THAT I HOPE WE'RE NOT GOING TO PUT UP ANY MORE WITH BEING MERE SUBJECTS IN THE PROCESS OF CO-EQUAL BRANCH OF GOVERNANCE IF YOU LIKE THE PROPOSAL GREAT STAND UP AND TALK ABOUT WHY IT'S SO WONDERFUL AND WHY YOU'RE GOING TO SUPPORT IT AND WHY YOU HAVE NO PROBLEM WITH OBLIGATING THE PEOPLE OF GUAM TO BILLIONS OF DOLLARS BECAUSE YOU'RE SO FASCINATED AND TAKEN IN WITH THE PROPOSAL BUT REMEMBER WHO WE CAME HERE TO REPRESENT SOMETIMES THE WORD LEADERS GETS THROWN AROUND TOO EASILY WE ARE REPRESENTATIVES THE WAY WE ACQUIRED THIS POWER THE TRUST THAT WAS PUT INTO US WAS PUT BY PEOPLE EVEN IF THEY HAVE DIFFERENT POINTS OF VIEW WHO WANTED US TO ARGUE THE MERIT OF PROPOSALS AND TO REPRESENT EVERYONE ON THIS ISLAND NOT A SELECT CORE GROUP THE VOTE ON ANY ISSUE ON THIS FLOOR COMES DOWN ON THE MAJORITY VOTE MEANING THE MAJORITY ON THIS FLOOR BELIEVED THAT THEY REPRESENT AND THEY DEBATED THE TRUE INTEREST OF GROUPS AND INDIVIDUALS ON THIS ISLAND EVERY SINGLE PERSON THAT CASTED A VOTE AND EVERY SINGLE TAXPAYER IN THIS ISLAND THAT WE DEBATED IT AND THAT WAS THE MAJORITY RULE IT'S NOT THE MOST PERFECT SYSTEM BUT BY GOLLY IT'S THE BEST WE HAVE THAT DOES NOT HAPPEN MADAM CHAIR WHEN WE SINGLE-HANDEDLY ACCEPT PROPOSALS DOWN TO THIS LEGISLATURE THAT ARE PREDETERMINED AND DESIGNED FOR A SELECT GROUP OF PEOPLE THE REASON WHY WE KNOW THINGS LIKE THAT HAPPEN IS BECAUSE THEY'RE DONE BEHIND CLOSED DOORS WE CANNOT MAKE THAT CLAIM MADAM CHAIR IF THOSE PROPOSALS ARE DONE IN THE OPEN IN THE SUNSHINE IN THE LIGHT OF DAY THAT'S HOW WE CAN GO OUT THERE AND THOSE WHO ARE PRO FOR THE PROPOSAL SAY GO BOY AND THOSE WHO ARE AGAINST SAYING I DISAGREE THAT WE CAN ACCEPT THE RESULT IN THE END BECAUSE IT WAS A DEMOCRATIC OPEN PROCESS FOR US TO CONTINUE DOWN THIS ROAD OF ADVOCATING OUR RESPONSIBILITY AS A COACH BRANCH OF GOVERNMENT IS A DISSERVICE TO OUR PEOPLE AND IT DOESN'T MEET THE HIGH SCRUTINY THAT EVERY SINGLE ONE OF US IN THIS BODY ASKED FOR I AM PROUD OF OUR SPEAKER I AM PROUD OF HER TENACITY I AM PROUD OF HER STANDING UP AND SAY I WILL NOT GIVE UP I WILL REST WITH WHATEVER DECISION THIS BODY MAKES BUT I'LL BE DOGGONE IF I'M GOING TO TOLERATE DECISION MAKING THAT DOESN'T INVOLVE THIS BODY I KNOW IT'S FRUSTRATING FOR ANY CHIEF EXECUTIVE TO HAVE TO DEAL WITH THE PESKY LEGISLATURE BUT IT'S THE ACTUAL DESIGN OF OUR

DEMOCRACY THIS IS THE GENIUS OF THE SYSTEM IS TO DEBATE IF WE WANT A MONARCHY WE CAN BECOME ONE IF WE WANT A DICTATORSHIP WE CAN BECOME ONE I ONE FOR ONE WILL NEVER STAND FOR THAT BUT THAT'S WHAT UNILATERAL POWER IS AND I WON'T DIMINISH THE REMARKS OF ANYBODY ELSE WHO BELIEVES ANOTHER WAY BUT I WILL EXAMINE THE RESOLVE FOR DEMOCRACY WHEN THEY REFUSE TO HOLD THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH ACCOUNTABLE TO HAVE TO DELIBERATE THESE POLICIES AND OPEN AND THEN BE CASTIGATED AS TRYING TO SIMPLY BE IN THE WAY 15 MEMBERS IN THIS BODY ARE NOT IN THE WAY MADAM CHAIR WHO'S IN THE WAY IS THE ENTIRE PEOPLE OF GUAM WHO WANT THEIR VOICES HEARD THEY WANT US TO HAVE A SAY IN THE DECISIONS THAT ARE MADE AND THEY SENT US HERE TO DO THAT AND FOR THAT REASON I WHOLEHEARTEDLY SUPPORT THE OVERRIDE OF BILL 1337 AND I CAN'T WAIT TO WHOLEHEARTEDLY SUPPORT THE OVERRIDE OF BILL 1237 *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'*.

**SENATOR SHELTON:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH SENATOR DUEÑAS ON THE NOTWITHSTANDING MOTION TO OVERRIDE THE VETO OF BILL 13-37 COR ANY MEMBER WISHING TO DISCUSS SENATOR BARNETT YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

**SENATOR BARNETT:** THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER THOSE PESKY MEDDLING SENATORS DAD NABBIT IT REMINDS ME OF THE SCOOPY-DOO CARTOON RIGHT THERE'S ALWAYS BUTTING THEIR HEADS IN TO THE PEOPLE'S BUSINESS THIS IS A SIMPLE ISSUE WE'RE NOT EVEN INTO THE JUNGLE ON THE LEASE YET THIS IS REALLY JUST ABOUT OPEN GOVERNMENT COMPLIANCE AND TRANSPARENCY WE'VE HAD YOU KNOW MEMBERS OF THIS LEGISLATURE CALL CALL CALL OURSELVES OUT FOR NOT ADHERING TO THOSE TENANTS OF OPEN GOVERNMENT AND I DON'T SEE WHY THE GOVERNOR WOULD VETO THIS MEASURE BECAUSE TWO YEARS OF SECRET MEETINGS HAS GOT US TO THIS POINT WHERE WE'RE NOW BEING FORCED TO OBLIGATE OURSELVES AND OUR PEOPLE TO THIS TOP SECRET DOCUMENT THEY MIGHT AS WELL STAMP CLASSIFIED ALL OVER THIS WE'RE NOT HERE YET WE'RE REALLY JUST ON THE ISSUE OF SHOULD THESE MEETINGS BE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC SHOULD THE PUBLIC HAVE BEEN ABLE TO PARTICIPATE SHOULD THE SPEAKER OR SENATOR PARKINSON OR SENATOR FISHER BEEN ABLE TO ATTEND THESE MEETINGS I DON'T BELIEVE IT'S TOO LATE TO RIP THE COVER OFF THIS WHOLE THING BUT IT IS FRUSTRATING THAT WE WE GOT TO THIS POINT SHROUDED IN SECRECY BUT DURING THE PUBLIC HEARING FOR THIS BILL THE DIRECTOR OF GEDA HAD ASSURED US THAT IT WAS TRANSPARENT BECAUSE SHE TOOK NOTES IT WAS TRANSPARENT BECAUSE SHE TOOK NOTES THE LANDOWNERS THE PEOPLE OF GUAM THE DOCTORS THE SENATORS THE MAYORS EVEN DIDN'T DESERVE TO BE KEPT IN THE DARK WE HEARD ABOUT THE SURVEY OF OF THE DOCTORS THAT GEDA CONDUCTED AND A PREVIOUS SPEAKER HAD SAID THAT WE HADN'T SEEN THE RESULTS OF THOSE SURVEY OF THAT SURVEY I'LL TELL YOU WHY WE HAVEN'T SEEN IT BECAUSE THE DOCTORS ARE VEHEMENTLY OPPOSED TO THIS ASK ANY ONE OF THEM THAT'S WHY WE HAVEN'T SEEN IT IN FACT THIS WHOLE PROCESS HAS REALLY BEEN ABOUT DISCREDITING AND DISRUPTING AND DISCOURAGING AND ATTACKING ANYBODY WHO HAS SIMPLE QUESTIONS ABOUT THIS DEAL THIS BILLION DOLLAR HEALTH CARE COMPLEX ANTI-AMERICAN PARANOID OBSTRUCTIONISTS SIMPLY BECAUSE WE WANT TO KNOW IF THIS IS THE BEST DEAL FOR THE PEOPLE OF GUAM ALL OF THAT AND ENAO HA WE'RE NOT ANTI-AMERICAN WE'RE PRO GUAM WE'RE NOT PARANOID WE'RE WORRIED THAT WE'RE GOING TOO FAR TOO FAST DOWN THIS TRAIL AND THE ONLY PEOPLE WHO SEEM TO SUPPORT THIS IS THE GOVERNOR THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR THE MEMBERS OF THE CABINET WHO ARE BOMBARDING US WITH CHAIN EMAILS WHICH YOU KNOW IT IS WHAT IT IS BUT THE MORE WE GET INTO THIS THIS LEASE THIS TOP SECRET DOCUMENT AND I THOUGHT IT WAS INTERESTING THAT WE HAVE WE HAVE SENATORS IN THIS BODY WHO MET WITH THE WITH THE GOVERNOR IN SECRET AND PRONOUNCED THAT THEY WERE GOING TO DO A 180 DEGREE TURN ON WHAT THEY DID HERE ON THE SESSION FLOOR WITHOUT EVEN SEEING A SINGLE PAGE OF THIS THING SO THIS THIS OVERRIDE ATTEMPT TO ME IT'S JUST VERY SIMPLE DO WE OR DON'T WE WANT OUR GOVERNMENT TO ADHERE AND COMPLY WITH THE OPEN GOVERNMENT LAW DO WE OR DON'T WE WANT TO DEMAND TRANSPARENCY NOT JUST FROM OURSELVES BUT FROM THE ADMINISTRATION AND I THINK WE'VE BEEN VERY CONSISTENT IN OUR SUPPORT IN OUR EFFORTS TO ENSURE THAT THE OPEN GOVERNMENT LAWS AND TRANSPARENCY AND THE NOTICES SURE WE'VE STUMBLER A COUPLE TIMES BUT WE'VE BEEN VERY CONSISTENT AND THAT'S THE BASELINE THAT WE WANT FOR THE PEOPLE OF GUAM IT BOGGLES MY MIND WHY THE GOVERNOR WOULD VETO THIS BILL IT'S REALLY SIMPLE DO YOU OR DON'T YOU WANT THE PEOPLE TO GO ON TO KNOW WHAT IS GOING ON HERE DO YOU OR DON'T YOU NOBODY HIDES A GOOD DEAL IF A DEAL IS GOOD IF A DEAL IS GREAT YOU TELL EVERYONE ABOUT IT BUT NO ONE KNOWS NO ONE KNOWS WHAT'S IN THIS LEASE OTHER THAN IT SEEMS TO HEAVILY FAVOR THE MILITARY I'M NOT COMFORTABLE WITH THE THE WEIGHT THE ADMIRAL IS IS BEING ALLOWED TO THROW AROUND WITH THESE THESE DEADLINES AS HE'S THAT HE'S PUTTING

ON US IT'S SUCH A GREAT DEAL TAKE IT OR LEAVE IT BUT NO ONE CAN SEE IT MAKES NO SENSE BUT WE'RE NOT EVEN THERE YET AND I WOULD JUST I WOULD ASK MY COLLEAGUES IF YOU HAVEN'T SEEN THIS THING JUST GET A COPY OF IT WE DON'T EVEN HAVE THE ATTACHMENTS YET AND YOU'LL SEE THE DEEPER YOU GET INTO THIS LEASE IT'S VERY SIMPLE IT'S NOT ABOUT WHETHER OR NOT WE WANT TO BUILD A NEW HOSPITAL WHO DOESN'T WANT TO BUILD A NEW HOSPITAL WE ALL WANT TO BUILD A NEW HOSPITAL EVERY SINGLE ONE OF US BUT THE QUESTION IS IS BUILDING A NEW HOSPITAL AT LALU THE BEST DEAL FOR THE PEOPLE OF GUAM AND I THINK EVEN THOSE WHO WERE QUICK TO 180 ARE GOING TO SEE THE DEEPER AGAIN THEY GET INTO THIS DOCUMENT WHEN WE GET TO IT THEY'RE GOING TO FIND IT THAT I DON'T THINK IT IS IT'S A GREAT DEAL FOR THE MILITARY BUT AGAIN WE'RE NOT THERE YET SO I JUST WOULD ASK THIS IS THIS IS REALLY SIMPLE WE'VE BEEN CONSISTENT SO CONSISTENT IN FACT THAT EVERY SINGLE ONE OF OUR MEMBERS VOTED TO PASS THIS BILL WITHOUT HESITATION I WAS SO PROUD BUT I KNOW THE PRESSURE IS MOUNTING OVER THE WEEKEND LAÑGA THE GOVERNOR ALMOST RAN OUT OF MINUTES CALLING ALL THE SENATORS LOBBYING MAKING DEALS SHE DIDN'T CALL ME ABOUT THIS DO I FEEL IT AND I'M WORRIED THAT WE COULD GO FROM 15-0 ON THIS BILL TO MAYBE NOT EVEN BEING ABLE TO GET 10 VOTES BECAUSE OF THE PRESSURE FROM ADELUP SCRATCH MY BACK I'LL SCRATCH YOURS IF YOU DO THAT YOU SCRATCH THE PEOPLE OF GUAM RIGHT IN THE FACE IF YOU DON'T SUPPORT THIS OVERRIDE BECAUSE AGAIN THIS IS NOT ABOUT WHETHER OR NOT YOU SUPPORT THE NEW HOSPITAL AT LALU IT'S NOT ABOUT WHETHER OR NOT YOU SUPPORT THE ADMIRAL BEING ABLE TO THROW HIS WEIGHT AROUND LIKE WE VOTED HIM INTO OFFICE IT'S REALLY ABOUT DO YOU SUPPORT AN OPEN AND TRANSPARENT GOVERNMENT BUT I WOULD LIKE TO BELIEVE THAT EACH AND EVERY ONE OF US DOES NOT JUST WHEN IT'S CONVENIENT FOR A SECRET AGENDA WE'RE GOING TO THROW THAT OUT THE WINDOW AND SAY OH BOY NEVER MIND NEVER MIND OPEN GOVERNMENT NOT THIS TIME SO I THINK IT'S A NO-BRAINER AND I'M HOPING AND PRAYING THAT THE VOTE HOLDS THE SAME WAY BECAUSE I KNOW THAT THEY'RE CALLING YOU GUYS I KNOW THEY'RE PUTTING ON THE PRESSURE THEY'RE PROBABLY MAKING ALL KINDS OF PROMISES WE'RE GOING TO SIGN THIS WE'RE GOING TO SIGN THAT WE'RE GOING TO INVITE YOU TO ALL THE FUNCTIONS A GOVERNMENT HOUSE BUT REMEMBER WHO YOU SERVE WE SERVE THE PEOPLE OF GUAM AND THE PEOPLE OF GUAM DESERVE TRANSPARENCY EVEN IF THE GOVERNOR THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR DON'T WANT TO GIVE IT TO US AND THAT'S REALLY WHAT THIS IS ABOUT TRANSPARENCY OPEN GOVERNMENT BEING CONSISTENT THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER.

**SENATOR SHELTON:** STANDING MOTION TO OVERRIDE THE VETO OF BILL NO. 13-37 COR SENATOR PARKINSON YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

**SENATOR PARKINSON:** THANK YOU MADAM CHAIR I DO NOT STAND IN SUPPORT OF THIS BILL TO BE OVERRIDDEN NORMALLY I AM ALL ABOUT TRANSPARENCY AND ACCOUNTABILITY BUT NOT WHEN THAT TRANSPARENCY AND ACCOUNTABILITY IS PRETEXTUAL WHEN BILL 12 AND 13 WERE PASSED BY THIS BODY THEY WERE SOLD TO US AS A MECHANISM TO KILL THE HOSPITAL THAT IS ALWAYS WHAT THESE TWO BILLS HAVE BEEN ABOUT A MECHANISM TO KILL.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** POINT OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE.

**SENATOR SHELTON:** PLEASE STATE YOUR POINT OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE SENATOR OR SPEAKER.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** THAT IS INACCURATE THAT IS NOT AT ALL WHAT THE BILLS WERE SOLD TO ANYBODY.

**SENATOR PARKINSON:** WITH ALL THE SPEAKER I VOTED FOR THIS BILL BECAUSE I WAS TOLD THAT WE COULD KILL THE HOSPITALS.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** NO ONE SAID THAT ON THE FLOOR WE CAN CHECK THE TRANSCRIPT I'M ABSOLUTELY CONFIDENT OF THAT.

**SENATOR SHELTON:** THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER PLEASE PROCEED SENATOR PARKINSON.

**SENATOR PARKINSON:** SO THIS BILL WAS SOLD AS A MECHANISM TO GIVE THE ORIGINAL LANDOWNERS THEIR LAND BACK SOMEONE EVEN SAID THAT WE SHOULD VOTE FOR THIS BILL SO THAT THE ORIGINAL LANDOWNERS COULD HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO DIE ON THEIR LAND SO I DO NOT BELIEVE THE PRETEXT OF THIS BILL IS SOLELY FOR ACCOUNTABILITY WHAT HAS BEEN SAID ON THIS FLOOR THAT IT WAS AN OPPORTUNITY TO GIVE ORIGINAL OWNERS OR LAND BACK AND IF THAT'S WHAT WE WERE VOTING ON ME AND EVERY SINGLE PERSON IN THIS BODY WOULD ABSOLUTELY SUPPORT THE ORIGINAL LANDOWNERS GETTING THEIR LAND BACK BUT



THAT'S NOT WHAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN THE MILITARY WILL EITHER GIVE US AN OPPORTUNITY TO USE IT FOR A HOSPITAL OR THAT THEY WILL TAKE IT BACK AND USE IT FOR OTHER PURPOSES THE MILITARY HAS OFFERED US A WIN-WIN DEAL THEY ARE TELLING US THE PEOPLE OF GUAM IF WE BUILD A TABLE THEY WILL COOK US A THANKSGIVING DINNER THIS IS A WIN-WIN SITUATION FOR THE ISLAND AND I DO FIND IT TO BE AN ANTI-MILITARY OBSTRUCTIONIST POST TO PUT THESE ASPERSIONS ON THE CHARACTER OF THE MILITARY THAT IS HERE TO DO SERVICES TO US THE VETERANS THAT LIVE ON THEIR ISLAND THIS DEAL WITH THE MILITARY FOR THIS LAND GUARANTEES THAT THIS PROJECT WILL BE DONE IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE U.S MILITARY THAT THEY WILL HELP US FIND THE FEDERAL FUNDING TO GET THIS DONE RIGHT THAT THEY WILL EXPAND VETERAN SERVICES SO THAT.

**SENATOR BLAS:** POINT OF ORDER POINT OF ORDER

**SENATOR SHELTON:** PLEASE STATE YOUR POINT OF ORDER.

**SENATOR BLAS:** THANK YOU I APPRECIATE THE.

**SENATOR PARKINSON:** TIME.

**SENATOR BLAS:** YEAH STOP THE TIME I APPRECIATE THE YOU KNOW A GOOD COLLEAGUE FROM BUT WHAT'S THAT GOT TO DO WITH THE PRICE OF TAG AND HAPPY ABOUT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT BILL 13. WE'RE TALKING ABOUT THE PUTTING TOGETHER TASK FORCE.

**SENATOR SHELTON:** THANK YOU SENATOR BLAS.

**SENATOR BLAS:** THANK YOU.

**SENATOR SHELTON:** SENATOR PARKINSON.

**SENATOR PARKINSON:** WHERE WAS I THIS BILL IS PRETEXTUAL IN NATURE IT HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH ACCOUNTABILITY AND IN FACT MAY EVEN VIOLATE SEPARATION OF POWERS THIS IS NO MORE APPROPRIATE FOR US TO PUT SENATORS INTO THIS BOARD THAN IT IS TO PUT SENATORS ON A JURY JUST BECAUSE WE FEEL LIKE IT THERE ARE LIMITS TO WHAT THIS BODY CAN DO AND EVEN WHEN I WAS TRYING TO PROFFER AMENDMENTS TO MAKE THIS RIGHT WITH THE LAW THEY WERE SHUT DOWN BECAUSE OUR ZEAL BY SOME MEMBERS OF THIS BODY TO DENY THE GOVERNOR A WIN IS ASTOUNDING AND THERE ARE FACTIONS WITHIN THIS BODY AN OBSTRUCTIONIST FACTION A SOCIAL JUSTICE FACT.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** POINT OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE MADAM SPEAKER.

**SENATOR SHELTON:** PLEASE STATE YOUR POINT OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** CAN WE STICK TO THE FACTS OF THE BILL ARGUMENTS OF THE MERITS OF THE BILL AND IF WE'RE GOING TO DO NAME CALLING IN HERE CAN WE JUST TAKE THAT OUTSIDE PLEASE THAT IS NOT AN ORDER AT ALL.

**SENATOR SHELTON:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH MADAM SPEAKER SENATOR PARKINSON YES.

**SENATOR BARNETT:** POINT OF PERSONAL A PERSONAL PRIVILEGE MA'AM.

**SENATOR SHELTON:** PLEASE STATE YOUR POINT OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE.

**SENATOR BARNETT:** I DID NOT TELL ANYBODY IN THIS BODY TO VOTE FOR THIS BILL SO THAT ORIGINAL LANDOWNERS COULD DIE ON THEIR LAND I SAID THEY WANTED US TO FIGHT FOR THE RETURN OF THE LAND AND IF THE MILITARY WASN'T GOING TO ALLOW US TO USE IT TO BUILD A HOSPITAL AND THEY GOT IT BACK THEN SO BE IT THANK YOU MA'AM.

**SENATOR SHELTON:** THANK MUCH SENATOR BARNETT SENATOR PARKINSON PLEASE STICK TO THE BILL AT HAND THE MOTION AT HAND NOTWITHSTANDING A MOTION OF OVERRIDING THE VETO OF BILL NO. 13-37 COR THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

**SENATOR PARKINSON:** WELL CLEARLY MANY IN THIS BODY DO NOT LIKE WHAT I HAVE TO SAY IT'S FUNNY HOW INTERRUPTIONS ONLY WORK ONE WAY SO BECAUSE THIS BODY DOES NOT WANT TO HEAR WHAT I HAVE

TO SAY THE TRUTH ABOUT WHAT THIS BILL IS ABOUT AN OPPORTUNITY TO OBSTRUCT THE GOVERNMENT FROM PROVIDING THE PEOPLE OF GUAM WITH A HOSPITAL WE SO BADLY NEED OH I COULD UNDERSTAND IF WE CAME TO THIS POSITION THROUGH HONEST DIALOGUE BUT THE DIALOGUE HERE HAS NOT BEEN FORTHCOMING WE SPEAK OF ACCOUNTABILITY BUT AGAIN IT'S SELECTIVE ACCOUNTABILITY AND THAT'S WHAT I'M SPEAKING AGAINST IN THIS BODY THIS WAS NEVER A QUESTION OF ABOUT ACCOUNTABILITY THIS WAS ALWAYS ABOUT OBSTRUCTION AND I YIELD THE REST OF MY TIME BEFORE WE GO ON TO DISCUSS THE LEASE THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER MADAM CHAIR.

**SENATOR SHELTON:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH SENATOR PARKINSON ON THE NOTWITHSTANDING MOTION TO OVERRIDE THE VETO OF BILL 13-37 COR DISCUSSION HEARING NONE MADAM SPEAKER OR SENATOR PREZ YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

**SENATOR PEREZ:** THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER YEAH I JUST WANT TO BRING BACK THE BODY TO WHAT THE BILL ACTUALLY DOES AND YOU KNOW IN THE PUBLIC HEARING I JUST WANT TO RESTATE FOR THE RECORD THE INTENT OF OF WHAT THE BILL SAYS AND FOR THE LISTENING AUDIENCE AND SO IN OUR IN OUR STATUTE WE HAVE OPEN GOVERNMENT LAW AND IT STATES THE LEGISLATURE DECLARES IT IS A POLICY OF THIS TERRITORY THAT THE FORMATION OF PUBLIC POLICY AND DECISION IS PUBLIC AND SHALL NOT BE CONDUCTED IN SECRET THE PEOPLE OF GUAM DO NOT YIELD THEIR INDIVIDUAL RIGHTS TO THE PUBLIC AGENCIES WHICH SERVE THEM THE PEOPLE IN DELEGATING AUTHORITY DO NOT GIVE THEIR PUBLIC SERVANTS A RIGHT TO DECIDE WHAT IS GOOD FOR THE PEOPLE TO KNOW AND WHAT IS NOT GOOD FOR THEM TO KNOW AND THE PEOPLE INSIST ON REMAINING INFORMS THAT THEY THEY MAY RETAIN CONTROL OVER THE INSTRUMENTS THEY HAVE CREATED AND SO I THINK THIS IS ONE OF THE THE CORNERSTONES OF OUR OPEN GOVERNMENT LAW IS THAT WE MUST ACT IN THE BEST INTERESTS OF OUR PEOPLE AND PART OF THAT IS A TRANSPARENCY IN MAKING THESE DECISIONS IT IS MY EXPERIENCE AND PRACTICE AS A LEGISLATOR TO HEAR ALL SIDES AND TO TRY TO BRING A CONSENSUS TO THE FLOOR IN THE BILLS THAT I HAVE BROUGHT TO THE FLOOR AND I THINK THIS IS REALLY CRITICALLY IMPORTANT IN A VERY POLARIZING ENVIRONMENT AND TRANSPARENCY IS IS THE SOLVE TO DO THIS I THINK WE CANNOT MOVE FORWARD AS A COMMUNITY AS OPPOSED WHEN WE ARE POLARIZED AND IT'S IMPORTANT THAT WE WORK TOWARDS CONSENSUS AND TRANSPARENCY IS WHAT IS NEEDED NOW MORE THAN EVER AND THAT IS WHY I SUPPORT THIS BILL BECAUSE WHAT THIS BILL DOES IT ADDS MORE VOICES TO THE DECISION-MAKING OF THIS 21ST CENTURY HOSPITAL AND I THINK THAT'S WHAT EVERYONE REALLY DEMANDS OF OUR OF OUR GOVERNMENT NOT TO BE SHUT OUT WE CANNOT DISCRIMINATE OUR PEOPLE NO MATTER HOW SMALL THE GROUP IS OR HOW LARGE AND I THINK THIS IS ONE OF THE ISSUES WITH OUR GOVERNMENT IN THE PAST AND THIS IS WHAT WHY WE ARE EXPERIENCING SO MANY PROBLEMS IS BECAUSE THOSE THAT HAVE THE LOUDEST VOICES ENDS UP WITH THE POLICIES IN IN AN IMPLEMENTATION OF THOSE POLICIES AND NOT LISTENING TO THOSE VOICES THE LITTLE VOICES THAT SAY HERE IS THE ISSUE HERE'S THE PROBLEM LET'S ADDRESS THIS AND UNFORTUNATELY THIS IS OUR HISTORY IN GUAM YOU KNOW WE KNOW MANY FAMILIES ARE YOU KNOW THE EXPERIENCES OF BEING SHAFTED AND STUCK INTO THESE LONG-TERM DECISIONS AND YOU KNOW WISHING THAT IF ONLY WE CAN ONLY ACT ON THESE ISSUES OR CONCERNS YOU KNOW GUAM WOULD BE A BETTER PLACE AND FOR ME I'M ALWAYS FIGHTING FOR SUSTAINABILITY OF OUR ISLAND AND SUSTAINABILITY REALLY IS ABOUT LISTENING TO ALL SEGMENTS OF OUR SOCIETY AND MAKING THE WISE DECISIONS WE NEED TO MAKE A CHANGE AND THIS IS THE CHANGE EXACTLY WHAT WE NEED LET'S LISTEN LET'S HEAR THE THE LITTLE VOICES THE BIG VOICES AND TRY TO COME TO AN AGREEMENT AND NOT HAVE TO TO FORCE ONE WAY OR THE OTHER WE NEED TO DO THIS AS A COMMUNITY SO WHAT THIS BILL DOES IT REALLY JUST ENSURES TRANSPARENCY IN THE PROCESS THERE'S NOTHING WRONG WITH THAT THAT'S WHY I STAND IN SUPPORT OF THIS OVERRIDES *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE*.

**SENATOR SHELTON:** THANK YOU SENATOR PEREZ DISCUSSION ON THE NOTWITHSTANDING MOTION TO OVERRIDE THE VETO OF BILL 13-37 COR SPEAKER TERLAJE OH SENATOR BROWN.

**SENATOR BROWN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH MADAM SPEAKER I APOLOGIZE I WANTED TO MAKE SURE I SPOKE ON THIS BILL I JUST DIDN'T KNOW IF ANYONE ELSE WANTED TO SPEAK ON IT YOU KNOW WE TALK ABOUT THE IMPORTANCE OF TRANSPARENCY AND A LOT OF PEOPLE TALK ABOUT THE IMPORTANCE OF TRANSPARENCY THE GOVERNOR TALKS ABOUT TRANSPARENCY WE DO A LOT OF TALKING BUT YOU KNOW WHAT MATTERS IS IN THE DOING WHAT DO WE ACTUALLY DO WHAT ARE OUR ACTIONS THE BUILDING OF A HOSPITAL AS IT WOULD BE FOR ANY PUBLIC FACILITY IS SOMETHING THAT SHOULD NOT BE DONE NOT JUST BEHIND CLOSED DOORS THAT SOME OF OUR COLLEAGUES HAVE MENTIONED BUT LITERALLY IN THE DARK GUAM LEGISLATURE WE'RE ENTRUSTED WITH TWO KEY CRITICAL THINGS WE'RE SUPPOSED TO DO WE'RE SUPPOSED TO SET POLICY AND

WE'RE SUPPOSED TO DO THE BUDGET OF THE GOVERNMENT OF GUAM WHEN WE COMMIT OURSELVES AND OUR PEOPLE MORE IMPORTANTLY OUR PEOPLE TO THESE LONG-TERM FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS WE NEED TO ENSURE THAT OUR PEOPLE ARE AWARE OF WHAT IT IS WE'RE COMMITTING THEM TO AND WHAT WE'RE COMMITTING THEIR MONEY TO SOMETHING IN THIS CASE THAT'S GOING TO EXTEND BEYOND OUR LIFETIME TO THE LIVES OF OUR CHILDREN OUR GRANDCHILDREN AND FOR SOME PEOPLE HERE IN OUR COMMUNITY THEY'RE GREAT-GRANDCHILDREN NO ONE'S ARGUING AS WAS MENTIONED WE'RE NOT ARGUING ABOUT THE NEED FOR A NEW HOSPITAL BUT WE CERTAINLY SHOULDN'T TAKE WHAT MAY BE THE SINGLE LARGEST PHYSICAL INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENT PAID FOR THAT WILL BE PAID FOR BY OUR PEOPLE AND SIMPLY DO IT AT A BACKDOOR AT ADELUP OR THE BACK DOOR YOU KNOW UP TO THE HILL THERE NIMITZ HILL NOBODY'S ARGUING YOU KNOW THAT WE'RE SUPPORTIVE OF OUR MILITARY CERTAINLY I MYSELF I COME FROM A MILITARY FAMILY MY DAD SPENT 24 YEARS IN THE U.S NAVY COMBAT VETERAN IN THE RIVERINE FORCE IN VIETNAM 100 PERCENT DISABLED AND DIED AS A RESULT OF SERVICE-RELATED ILLNESSES SPENT THE REMAINING TIME OF HIS LIFE WORKING AT SRF IN SUPPORT OF THE U.S NAVY FOR COMBINED 44 YEARS OF HIS LIFE THAT'S WHERE I COME FROM THAT'S MY UPBRINGING THAT'S WHO I AM A PART OF SO WE'RE VERY SUPPORTIVE OF OUR VETERANS WE'RE VERY SUPPORTIVE OF THE MILITARY I AM WHAT I'M NOT SUPPORTIVE OF IS DECISIONS THAT ARE BEING MADE ON BEHALF OF THE GOVERNOR AND THE ADMIRAL IN THE MILITARY ON BEHALF OF OUR PEOPLE WITHOUT THE ENGAGEMENT AND INVOLVEMENT OF THE VERY PEOPLE WE'RE SAYING THAT THIS HOSPITAL FACILITY IS SUPPOSED TO SERVE YOU KNOW IT'S NOT THAT LONG AGO FOR THOSE OF US THAT WERE THERE TALKING TO SENATOR JESS WE WERE TALKING THE OTHER DAY YOU KNOW I SAT UP THERE AT COMMUNITIVE MAR ALMOST WHAT 16 17 YEARS AGO WITH ADMIRAL BREWER WHEN HE WAS ADVISING US AS LEADERS IN OUR COMMUNITY HOW THE MILITARY WAS GOING TO DOWNSIZE BECAUSE THE WHOLE POLITICAL SHIFT IN THE PACIFIC REGION HAD SHIFTED AND CHANGED AND THEY WERE GOING TO MOTHBALL ANDERSON AND THEY WERE GOING TO DOWNSCALE THE OPERATIONS AT NAVAL STATION AND I LOOKED UP ON THE WALL IN THIS CONFERENCE ROOM AND GO MY GOD YOU KNOW LOOK AT GUAM AND I DID MENTION THAT TO THE ADMIRAL I'M STILL FASCINATED THAT YOU'RE TELLING US THIS WHEN I LOOK AT THAT LITTLE DOT ON THAT MAP IN THIS PART OF THE WORLD THIS ONLY PIECE OF U.S AMERICAN SOIL AND YOU'RE GOING TO DOWNSCALE YOUR OPERATIONS HERE AND HERE WE ARE WHAT 16 17 YEARS LATER AND ALL OF A SUDDEN I MEAN I DON'T KNOW WHO'S DOING YOU KNOW THE POLITICAL FORECASTING FOR THE MILITARY THE WHOLE WORLD HAS CHANGED EVEN THOUGH THE SITUATION IN NORTH KOREA HAS BEEN THERE FOR MANY YEARS IT'S CHINA'S INCREDIBLE BUILD UP THAT IS FORCING THE CHANGE IN THE BUILD UP HERE ON GUAM I CAN'T BELIEVE THEY DIDN'T SEE THAT COMING THAT SHOULD NOT DICTATE THE DIRECTION OF WHAT WE MAKE FOR OUR PEOPLE BECAUSE WE DON'T MAKE DECISIONS FOR THE MILITARY THIS DAY AND AGE WE SHOULD NOT HAVE THEM MAKING DECISIONS FOR US WITHOUT OUR ENGAGEMENT THAT'S THE WHOLE IMPETUS THAT ALL OF US FOR SO MANY YEARS AND THOSE OF US LIKE ME THAT HAVE BEEN AROUND THAT HAVE SERVED FOR MANY YEARS WITH SOME OF THE PARENTS OF MEMBERS OF THIS LEGISLATURE THAT WAS ALWAYS OUR AGENDA WE WERE MOVING AWAY FROM MILITARY ADMINISTRATION OF GUAM TO THE RIGHTS OF OUR PEOPLE TO BE ABLE TO VOTE AND MAKE THEIR OWN DECISIONS ON THEIR BEHALF I HATE TO SEE THAT YOU KNOW SLIDE BACKWARDS BECAUSE IN THIS PARTICULAR CASE WE HAVE A GOVERNOR WHO FEELS VERY MUCH THAT THESE DECISIONS ARE HERS TO MAKE AND HERS ALONE AND THAT IS NOT HOW OUR GOVERNMENT WAS DESIGNED AND EVERY TIME WE ACQUIESCE TO THAT WE FAIL WE FAIL IN OUR MISSION BECAUSE THIS IS NOT SOMETHING THAT SHOULD BE DECIDED WITHOUT THE ENGAGEMENT OF THE PEOPLE THIS IS THE PEOPLE'S HOUSE IF WE DON'T STAND UP FOR WHAT WE SHOULD YOU KNOW WE TALK ABOUT STANDING UP FOR OUR PEOPLE BUT BOY WHEN THE TIME COMES HUH WHEN THE TIME COMES THAT WE'RE SUPPOSED TO STAND UP FOR THE PEOPLE STAND UP AND BE COUNTED FOR THE PEOPLE SOME OF US JUST YOU KNOW HAVE A HARD TIME NOW WE'RE SAYING OH THE LANDOWNERS ARE NEVER EVER GOING TO GET THEIR LAND BACK EVEN THOUGH THAT WAS THE DIRECTION FOR SO MANY YEARS IT WAS PUBLIC POLICY ON GUAM TO ADVOCATE FOR OUR PEOPLE TO GET THEIR LAND BACK I CAN'T IMAGINE IF SOMEONE CAME TO ME TODAY AND TOOK MY HOME AND SAID SORRY WE NEED THIS FOR MILITARY PURPOSES AND THEN TELL ME YEARS LATER WHEN THEY DIDN'T NEED IT YOU'RE NOT GETTING IT BACK BECAUSE NOW CONGRESS HAS CHANGED THE RULES AND IF WE GIVE IT BACK TO YOU MY DEAR PEOPLE AT GUAM YOU CAN ONLY USE IT FOR PUBLIC USE BUT IT CAN NEVER BE RETURNED TO THE ORIGINAL LANDOWNERS IF NOT IN PRINCIPLE AT LEAST AND BY GOD IN PRINCIPLE WE SHOULD STAND UP AGAINST THAT BECAUSE IT'S OUR OWN PEOPLE THAT HAVE BEEN OPPRESSED AND THAT'S THE CHALLENGE OF OUR HISTORY UNFORTUNATELY WE LOVE AMERICA MOST OF MY COUSINS AND MY FAMILIA LIVE IN AMERICA GOT MORE TOMORROW BLOOD THAN ME BUT THEY LIVE IN AMERICA BECAUSE THEY LOVE AMERICA BUT UNFORTUNATELY UNCLE SAM YOU KNOW HASN'T ALWAYS BEEN GOOD AND UPRIGHT AND FORTHCOMING WITH

OUR PEOPLE FOR US TO SUPPORT THAT IS VERY UNSETTLING IT'S NOT OKAY AT SOME POINT WE HAVE TO SAY ENOUGH IS ENOUGH WE APPRECIATE BEING LIBERATED I WILL NOT GIVE UP MY U.S PASSPORT I WILL NOT GIVE UP MY U.S CITIZENSHIP I WILL NOT DENY THE HISTORY OF WHERE I COME FROM BUT IT'S A CONFLICT OF BOTH SIDES BECAUSE I'VE ALSO SEEN THE HARM THAT HAS COME TO OUR PEOPLE AT THE SAME TIME SOMETHING WE HAVE WORKED SO MANY YEARS TO MOVE AWAY FROM AND MOVE UP FROM BUT WHEN WE OURSELVES SUPPORT THE OPPRESSION SUBJUGATION AND ABUSE OF OUR OWN PEOPLE WHEN WE SAY IT'S OKAY BECAUSE THE ADMIRAL DECIDED THAT THIS IS WHAT WE'RE GOING TO DO AND THE GOVERNORS DECIDED ON HER OWN OH THIS IS WHAT WE'RE GOING TO DO MY DEAR PEOPLE AND WE'RE JUST GOING TO SIT BACK AND SAY SURE MAKE THESE DECISIONS FOR US BECAUSE WE DON'T LIVE IN A DEMOCRATIC COMMUNITY ANYMORE I DON'T KNOW HOW WE GO TO THE PEOPLE OF GUAM AND SAY PEOPLE AT GUAM VOTE FOR ME BECAUSE I'M HERE TO REPRESENT YOUR INTEREST AND YET WHEN THE TIME COMES WHEN THE VOTE IS TO BE MADE WE HAVE A REASON WHY WE DON'T DO THAT WE ALREADY SEE THE EQUATION IN THE LEGISLATURE OH WE GOT THIS MANY IN THIS PARTY THIS MANY IN THIS PARTY AND THIS PARTY'S DIVIDED INTO THIS IT REALLY SHOULDN'T BE THAT WAY OUR PEOPLE SHOULD BE ABLE TO LOOK AT US WITHOUT QUESTION AND THINK YES YOU ARE REPRESENTING MY BEST INTEREST BUT WHEN WE VOTE TO SUPPORT NOT JUST BEHIND CLOSED DOORS BUT WE VOTE TO HAVE THE LIGHTS OUT WE VOTE FOR SOMETHING WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO VOTE AND FUND SOMETHING YOU DON'T EVEN KNOW WHAT YOU'RE FUNDING YOU DON'T KNOW THE AMOUNT YOU DON'T KNOW IF YOU'RE GOING TO BE ABLE TO GENERATE THE REVENUE TO PAY FOR IT BECAUSE THAT WAS WHAT DECIDED OF ALL THE LAND ON GUAM OF ALL THE LAND IN THE GOVERNMENT OF GUAM INVENTORY THE GOVERNOR WANTS TO PUT THIS ON PROPERTY THAT WAS TAKEN FROM OUR OWN PEOPLE UNDER FEDERAL OWNERSHIP SO WE CAN LEASE IT OPEN BY THE WAY YOU'RE NOT REALLY HAVING TO PAY ANYTHING BUT OH BY THE WAY THERE'S ALL THESE CONDITIONS WE'RE PUTTING IN THIS LEASE AGREEMENT THESE ARE THE CONDITIONS YOU NEED TO MAKE BECAUSE ONCE AGAIN THE MILITARY DID NOT PREPARE THEY DID NOT PREPARE WHEN THEY BUILT THE NEW HOSPITAL AND I HAD MY MOMENTS STANDING UP AT THAT OLD HOSPITAL I GREW UP AT THAT OLD HOSPITAL I WISH I HAD A BOWLING BALL TO ROLL DOWN THE HALLWAY THOSE LONG NICE WELL VARNISHED WAXED HALLWAYS AND I LOOKED WHILE THE NEW HOSPITAL WAS COMING UP FROM THE WINDOWS OF THE OLD HOSPITAL I THOUGHT WOW THAT'S A NICE HOSPITAL IT DOESN'T LOOK VERY BIG IT'S CERTAINLY NOT AS BIG AS THE OLD HOSPITAL THAT USED TO BE ONE OF THE LARGER HOSPITALS IN THE WHOLE UNITED STATES INVENTORY FOR THE U.S NAVY AND NOW ALL OF A SUDDEN ONCE AGAIN IN THEIR DOWNSCALING THEY DID NOT PREPARE THEY DID NOT DESIGN THAT HOSPITAL BE LARGE ENOUGH TO ACCOMMODATE POTENTIAL CASUALTIES IN A CONFLICT AND WE'VE BEEN DOWN THAT ROAD FOR THOSE OF US THAT GREW UP IN THE VIETNAM GENERATION AND SO NOW THE ALTERNATIVES OH WE'RE GOING TO GIVE YOU THE LAND WITH ALL THESE CONDITIONS WHY ARE WE EVEN ENGAGED IN THAT PROCESS AND THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW HOSPITAL FOR THE PEOPLE OF GUAM I HAVE NO PROBLEM BEING A GOOD NEIGHBOR IN SUPPORTING THE MILITARY WITH THEIR AGENDA HERE I ALWAYS HAVE I'VE NEVER STOOD IN PROTEST BECAUSE I REMEMBER AND I KNOW WHERE I COME FROM BUT THAT'S NOT SOMETHING THEY SHOULD DECIDE FOR US WITH MONEY THAT OUR PEOPLE AT GUAM ARE EXPECTED TO PAY THEY WANT TO PARTNER WITH US WELL THEN WE CAN HAVE ANOTHER CONVERSATION WE'LL BE HAPPY TO PARTNER WITH YOU BUT THAT SHOULD NOT BE THE PRIORITY THEY SHOULD NOT BE SETTING THE AGENDA AND NOR SHOULD THE GOVERNOR IN HER ISOLATION ADELUP BE SETTING THE AGENDA AND THEN TRYING TO CALL US AT THE LAST MINUTE YOU KNOW YOU GOT THOSE CARDS YOU GUYS GET THOSE CALLS TRYING TO INFLUENCE THE DECISION AND DIRECTION AFTER THE FACT BECAUSE SHE'S GOT TO GET WHAT SHE WANTS SHE'S GOT TO GET WHAT SHE WANTS AND THAT'S JUST NOT THE DEMOCRATIC WAY THAT IS NOT HOW WE ENGAGE IN DELIBERATION AND DISCUSSION WE DO THIS HERE WITH THE LIGHTS ON AND THE CAMERAS ON IN THE DAYLIGHT OF THE PUBLIC SO THEY CAN SEE WHAT IT IS WE'RE DOING ON THEIR BEHALF AND MY DEAR COLLEAGUES WE'RE FINDING OUT NOW EVERYTHING FASTER THAN WE EVER HAVE BEFORE PEOPLE GET IN CONTACT WITH YOU REAL QUICK WHEN THEY GOT SOMETHING TO TELL YOU I'M SURE MANY OF US FOUND THAT OUT THIS WEEKEND BEFORE WE USED TO WAIT TO SEE A LETTER IN THE PAPER MAYBE A CALL HERE OR THERE MAYBE WE RUN INTO THEM AT THE FIESTA OH MY GOSH NOW IF OUR PEOPLE GOT AN OPINION THEY WILL LET YOU KNOW I'M SURE MANY OF US GOT TO FIND THAT OUT RECENTLY GOSH COLLEAGUES I'M ALWAYS AMAZED HOW HARD IT IS FOR SOME PEOPLE TO JUST DO THE RIGHT THING TO COME INTO THIS HALL TO VOTE TO HAVE OUR PEOPLE VOTE FOR US AND THEN WE HAVE STRINGS ATTACHED TO US LIKE WE'RE PUPPETS LITTLE MARIONETTE PUPPETS AND SOMEBODY ELSE IS PLAYING WITH US PULLING OUR STRINGS WHY IN THE HECK WOULD YOU EVER WANT TO BE IN OFFICE TO HAVE SOMEBODY DO THAT ESPECIALLY CONSIDERING ALL THAT YOU HAVE TO DO TO GET HERE ALL THAT YOUR FAMILY HAS TO ENDURE FOR THE TIME THAT WE'RE IN PUBLIC LIFE AND YET OH MY GOODNESS WE SEE

THIS TIME AND TIME AGAIN AND THEN WE TELL THE PEOPLE OH NOBODY OWNS ME I'M AS FREE AS I CAN BE AND MAYBE YOU THINK THEY'RE GOING TO BELIEVE IT THIS IS A MAJOR MAJOR MAJOR DECISION THE LARGEST SINGLE LARGEST DECISION THAT IS BEING MADE BY THIS GOVERNMENT WE'VE ALREADY SEEN THE CHALLENGES OF THE EXISTING GUAM OR AS RECENTLY AS A COUPLE OF WEEKS AGO THIS WHOLE CYBER SECURITY ISSUE AND HOW BADLY I MEAN THEY LITERALLY LIED TO THE PEOPLE THAT GO ON WITH REGARDS TO WHAT HAPPENED AND TRANSPIRED UP THERE IT'S NOT OKAY NO MATTER WHAT THE CIRCUMSTANCE TO LIE TO THE PUBLIC WITH WHAT HAS HAPPENED WITH REGARDS TO THEIR RESOURCES ESPECIALLY THEIR HOSPITAL FACILITY BUT IT'S OKAY RIGHT BECAUSE THE ADMINISTRATION ON US OKAY NO PROBLEM NO BIG DEAL AND THE CONDITION OF WHERE OUR HOSPITAL IS YOU THINK BUILDING NEW WALLS IS GOING TO CHANGE THE CHALLENGES THERE ARE WE ALL OF A SUDDEN GOING TO MAGICALLY HAVE MONEY FOR EVERYTHING WE NEED WE'RE GOING TO HAVE MONEY FOR ALL THE MEDICINES AND SPECIALTIES AND EVERYTHING ELSE THAT WE NEED AT THE HOSPITAL ALL OF A SUDDEN BECAUSE THE GOVERNOR HAS DECIDED WITH THE ADMIRAL WHERE WE'RE GOING TO BUILD IT WHEN WE'RE GOING TO BUILD IT HOW WE'RE GOING TO BUILD IT I HOPE THEY FIGURED OUT HOW TO PAY FOR IT ALL BECAUSE I GUESS THEY DON'T NEED US COLLEAGUES THIS IS DISTURBING ON ALL LEVELS THIS IS THE KIND OF THING THAT I'LL TELL YOU 15 20 YEARS AGO GOD HELP YOU IF THIS WAS EVER BROUGHT TO THE LEGISLATURE BECAUSE WE HAD SOME REALLY GOOD PEOPLE THAT DIDN'T HESITATE TO STAND UP TO MAKE THE RIGHT DECISIONS THE TITANS THAT WE USED TO HAVE THAT WERE IN THIS HALL THEY'D BE ASHAMED OF US NOW TO LOOK AT US NOW BECAUSE THAT'S THE SAME THING THEY FOUGHT FOR AND EVERYONE ELSE SINCE THEN HAS FOUGHT FOR THE DIGNITY AND RESPECT OF OUR PEOPLE THE RIGHT TO BE ABLE TO MAKE THEIR DECISIONS IN THIS GOVERNMENT BY ALL MEANS THEY SHOULD HAVE A RIGHT TO BE INVOLVED AND ENGAGED AND DETERMINED WHERE THEY WANT THEIR PUBLIC FACILITIES TO BE BUILT INCLUDING THIS HOSPITAL THAT'S THEIR RIGHT NOT OURS AND IF WE DO ANYTHING SHORT OF THAT WE FAILED THEM AND WE HAVE NO BUSINESS BEING HERE IF THAT'S WHAT OUR AGENDA IS WITH THAT MADAM CHAIR BEFORE I GET CUT OFF HAVE TO DEAL WITH YOU KNOW ANYTIME MORE TYPE OF NONSENSE ON THIS FLOOR I'M GOING TO CONCLUDE MY COMMENTS THANK YOU.

**SENATOR SHELTON:** THANK YOU SENATOR BROWN ON THE NOTWITHSTANDING MOTION TO OVERRIDE THE VETO OF BUILD 13-37 DISCUSSION SPEAKER TERLAJE.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** THANK YOU AGAIN AND TO MY COLLEAGUES WHO SPOKE ON ON THIS ATTEMPT TO OVERRIDE THE VETOES *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* AGAIN JUST TO MAKE THE RECORD PERFECTLY CLEAR THERE WERE TWO BILLS THAT WERE VETOED WE'RE SPEAKING ABOUT ONE BILL RIGHT NOW AND THAT BILL WAS A BILL TO INCREASE PUBLIC NOTICE AND TRANSPARENCY OF THE ACTIONS BY THE GUAM 21ST CENTURY HEALTH CARE CENTER COMMITTEE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE PROPOSED MEDICAL HEALTH CARE CAMPUS AND SPECIFICALLY IT WAS TO ADD DOCTORS ONTO THAT COMMITTEE THAT IS GIVING ADVICE TO THE GOVERNOR AND GEDA AS TO ALL ASPECTS OF OUR NEW HEALTHCARE CAMPUS IT WAS TO ADD MAYORS ONTO THAT COMMITTEE IT WAS TO ADD THE HEALTH CARE COMMITTEE THE HEALTH COMMITTEE CHAIR OF THE GUAM LEGISLATURE ONTO THAT COMMITTEE AND FOR ALL THOSE WHO BELIEVE THAT ADDING THESE PEOPLE ONTO THIS COMMITTEE WHICH CURRENTLY CONSISTS OF GEDA DPW DLM BSP BBMR DOA DPHSS PUBLIC HEALTH GUAM BEHAVIORAL HEALTH AND GMH IS GOING TO IMPEDE OR OBSTRUCT ANY OF THE WORK OF THIS COMMITTEE I THINK THAT'S LAUGHABLE WE'RE ASKING THAT THEY PUBLISH NOTICES OF THEIR MEETINGS SO THAT PEOPLE WILL KNOW WHAT THEY'RE GOING TO DISCUSS AND WILL BE ABLE TO ATTEND IF THEY WANT TO LISTEN AND NOT GET ARRESTED FOR TRYING TO HEAR WHAT IS GOING TO TRANSPIRE WE'RE ASKING THAT THEY KEEP MINUTES AND PUBLISH THE MINUTES SO THAT ALL ON GUAM WILL KNOW HOW DID WE GET TO THE DECISION OF THIS ONE PARCEL VERSUS THAT OTHER PARCEL FOR THE LOCATION OF THE NEW HOSPITAL I DON'T THINK THAT'S TOO MUCH TO ASK IN FACT I THINK IT'S SO MINIMAL IT'S THE IT'S THE LEAST THAT WE COULD DO THE LEAST THAT WE COULD REQUIRE THERE'S NOT ONE DECISION MADE BY THIS COMMITTEE THAT COULD IMPEDE THE GOVERNOR BECAUSE EVERY DECISION THAT HAS BEEN MADE TO DATE REGARDING THE NEW HOSPITAL EXCEPT FOR THE DECISION TO FINANCE IT THAT WAS MADE BY THE GUAM LEGISLATURE IN ALL TRANSPARENCY WITH PUBLIC HEARINGS EVERY OTHER DECISION WAS MADE EITHER BY GEDA OR THE GOVERNOR WITHOUT ANY PUBLIC HEARINGS THERE'S NO THREAT TO THEIR POWER NOT A SINGLE THREAT SINGLE-HANDEDLY THEY DECIDED AMONG ALL THE LOCATIONS STUDIED WHICH LOCATION THEY WERE GOING TO GO FOR SINGLE-HANDEDLY THEY DECIDED OR ONE OF THEM DECIDED THAT ALL OF THESE AGENCIES OR THESE THREE FACILITIES HAD TO BE TOGETHER THAT WAS NOT A LEGISLATIVE DECISION THAT WAS NOT A TASK FORCE OR A COMMITTEE DECISION THAT WAS A DECISION MADE BY THE GOVERNOR THE ONE MILLION DOLLAR CONTRACT WITH MATRIX THAT WAS A DECISION MADE BY GEDA OR THE GOVERNOR NOT BY THIS COMMITTEE NOT BY THE

LEGISLATURE AND WE SPENT OVER A MILLION DOLLARS IN THIS CONTRACT WITH MATRIX TO COME UP WITH A PLAN THAT WE CAN SEE NOW FROM A PROPOSED LEASE THAT'S BEEN CIRCULATING AROUND THAT WE HAVE NO IDEA WHAT THE FACILITY IS GOING TO LOOK LIKE BECAUSE THE FACILITY MIGHT BE DICTATED BY THE MILITARY AND YET WE SPENT A MILLION DOLLARS WITH MATRIX TO COME UP WITH THE PLANS AND TO ADVISE US THAT'S BEFORE WE WE RECEIVED MILITARY'S MANDATES THOSE WON'T BE AVAILABLE ACCORDING TO THE LEASE UNTIL AFTER WE SIGNED THE LEASE I CAN'T SEE WHY IF WE CAN'T MAKE THE DECISIONS WHY WE CAN'T AT THE VERY LEAST MANDATE THAT THE PUBLIC IS GOING TO BE ABLE TO HEAR AND WATCH THESE DELIBERATIONS TO BE PRESENT IF POSSIBLE TO SEE THE NOTICES OF THE MEETINGS AND ABSOLUTELY SEE THE MINUTES OF WHAT TRANSPIRED IT WASN'T UNTIL WE PUT THIS BILL IN AND SCHEDULED A PUBLIC HEARING THAT THIS COMMITTEE FINALLY DECIDED IT'S GOING TO PUBLISH SOME OF THE DOCUMENTS THAT IT HAD OTHERWISE SENATORS WERE RESORTING TO FOIA WE STILL RESORTED TO FOIA IN ORDER TO GET MINIMAL INFORMATION MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WERE RESORTING TO FOIA THAT I THINK IMPEDES THE ABILITY OF THE PEOPLE OF GUAM TO KNOW WHAT'S GOING ON IT IMPEDES YOU KNOW TRUST IN THE GOVERNMENT SO I THINK THAT THIS BILL IS GOING TO GIVE THESE HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONALS THESE VILLAGES THAT ARE GOING TO BE IMPACTED THE LEGISLATURE WHO'S GOING TO FUND THIS ENDEAVOR THE PEOPLE OF GUAM WHO TECHNICALLY ARE GOING TO FUND THIS THROUGH THEIR CHILDREN AND THEIR GRANDCHILDREN'S TAXES FOR 50 OR 75 YEARS WAY BEYOND OUR TERMS IN HERE THAT THIS IS THE LEAST THAT WE CAN DO FOR THEM TO SHOW THEM THAT IF WE'RE GOING TO PUT THAT TYPE OF AN OBLIGATION ON THEM THAT WE ARE GOING TO SHOW THEM ALL EVERY STEP OF THE WAY HOW THAT OCCURRED AND WHO DECIDED SO I ASKED MY COLLEAGUES AGAIN IT'S A VERY MINIMAL BILL IT'S A BABY BILL IT SAYS LET'S ADD THESE PEOPLE TO THE TASK FORCE AND LET'S ADD THEM TO THE VOICES THAT ADVISE HOW THIS IS GOING TO GO DOWN THERE'S ONLY ONE DECISION THAT THEY MAKE ACCORDING TO THE STATUTE AND THAT WILL BE AFTER THE RFP IS DONE BY GEDA AND AND SENT OUT THE CHOICE OF THE CONTRACTOR OR DEVELOPER SHALL BE MADE BY THE GUAM 21<sup>ST</sup> CENTURY HEALTH CARE CENTER COMMITTEE THE COMMITTEE SHALL ASSESS THE PRIOR PERFORMANCE OF THE CONTRACTOR ON SIMILAR PROJECTS AND SHALL BE FREE TO DISQUALIFY ANY CONTRACTOR DEVELOPER THAT DOES NOT HAVE A SUCCESSFUL RECORD OF PROJECT COMPLETION ON GUAM OR IN ANY SIMILAR ISOLATED LOCALITY THIS IS THE SAME MECHANISM I THINK I'M NOT SURE I WAS NOT THE SPONSOR OF THE BILL BUT IT LOOKS LIKE THE SAME MECHANISM THAT WE USE FOR HEALTH CARE GOVERNMENT OF GUAM HEALTHCARE NEGOTIATIONS AND CONTRACTING AND OTHER ASPECTS OF OUR GOVERNMENT SO I ASK THAT THIS IS NOT A DECISION AS TO WHETHER WE'RE GOING TO HAVE A HOSPITAL OR NOT THAT DECISION HAS BEEN MADE THE LEGISLATURE SAID YES WE WANT A HOSPITAL AND WE'RE GOING TO FINANCE IT IT'S NOT A DECISION AS TO WHERE THE HOSPITAL IS GOING TO BE THAT DECISION APPARENTLY IS BEING MADE BY THE GOVERNOR IT'S NOT A DECISION AS TO WHETHER WE'RE ENTERING INTO A LEASE OR NOT NOT THIS BILL THIS BILL IS WHETHER WE'RE GOING TO ALLOW THE OPEN GOVERNMENT LAW TO GOVERN THIS COMMITTEE WHICH I THINK IT SHOULD BE GOVERNING IT SHOULD HAVE GOVERNED THIS COMMITTEE AND IF MAYBE THE AG WILL REVIEW IT THAT WE SHOULDN'T EVEN HAVE NEEDED THIS BILL BECAUSE I CAN'T SEE HOW ANY ANY COMMITTEE OR AGENCY OF THIS GOVERNMENT IS EXEMPT IF IT'S NOT EXEMPT BY STATUTE THEN IT SHOULD BE MANDATED TO COMPLY WITH THE OPEN GOVERNMENT LAW AND THAT IS WHAT WE ARE DOING HERE SO I ASKED MY COLLEAGUES TO SUPPORT AN OVERRIDE OF THE VETO OF THIS BILL *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* MADAM SPEAKER.

**SENATOR SHELTON:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH MADAM SPEAKER.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** I REITERATE MY MOTION TO PLACE THE ACTION ON BILL 13-37 COR NOTWITHSTANDING THE OBJECTIONS OF *IMAGA'HÁGAN GUÁHAN* ONTO THE VOTING FILE.

**SENATOR SHELTON:** ON THE MOTION HEARING NO OBJECTIONS MOTION CARRIES.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** COLLEAGUES WERE STILL IN MOTIONS IS THERE ANY OTHER MOTION IF NOT THEN MAJORITY MOTIONS SENATOR PARKINSON YOU'RE RECOGNIZED.

**SENATOR PARKINSON:** SO NOTWITHSTANDING THE VETO OF THE GOVERNOR I MOTION TO MOVE THE VETO OVERRIDE FOR BILL 12-37 FOR IMMEDIATE CONSIDERATION.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** ON THAT MOTION THERE'S BEEN AN OBJECTION IS THERE ANY DISCUSSION HE WANTS TO MOVE THE OVERRIDE OF BILL NUMBER 12. UNTO FOR DISCUSSION.

**SENATOR PARKINSON:** WE ARE ALREADY DISCUSSING BILL 13 IN THE FILE LET'S GET IT OVER WITH AND DO BILL 12 AS WELL TO DISCUSSION.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** IS THERE ANY DISCUSSION ON THAT MOTION TO PLACE VETOED BILL 12 ON THE VOTING FILE THERE'S BEEN AN OBJECTION ALL IN FAVOR RAISE YOUR HAND ALL OPPOSE OR THAT'S IT MOTION FAILS MAJORITY LEADER OR IS THERE ANY OTHER MOTION IF NOT THE MAJORITY LEADERS SHELTON YOU ARE RECOGNIZED THERE WE ARE ON LEGISLATIVE CONCURRENCES IT'S JUST.

**SENATOR SHELTON:** *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* MADAM SPEAKER I MOVED TO PLACE IN THE VOTING FILE FROM THE COMMITTEE ON MARITIME TRANSPORTATION AIR TRANSPORTATION PARKS TOURISM HIGHER EDUCATION AND THE ADVANCEMENT OF WOMEN YOUTH AND SENIOR CITIZENS THE NOMINATION OF CARLO M LEON GUERRERO TO SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE GUAM COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES WITH THE RECOMMENDATION TO DO CONFIRM.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** ON THAT MOTION TO PLACE THIS NOMINATION IS THERE ANY OBJECTION SEEING NO OBJECTION MOTION CARRIES THERE IS NOTHING UNDER CONSENT CALENDAR ALL RIGHT WE'RE NOW ON SECOND READING SENATOR SHELTON YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

**SENATOR SHELTON:** MADAM SPEAKER I MOVED TO RECESS UNTIL 2 P.M. TODAY THERE'S BEEN A MOTION TO RECESS UNTIL TWO ALL IN FAVOR PLEASE RAISE YOUR HAND OR IS THERE ANY OBJECTION SEEING NO OBJECTION MOTION CARRIES RECESS UNTIL 2 P.M.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** *I MINA'TRENTAI SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN* IS BACK IN SESSION GOOD AFTERNOON COLLEAGUES WE'RE BACK IN SECOND READING WE'RE ON BILL SORRY WE ARE ON YES BILL NUMBER 27-37 COR SPONSORED BY TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES MAJORITY LEADER YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

**SENATOR SHELTON:** THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER I MOVE TO SET BILL NUMBER 27-37 COR ASIDE AT THIS TIME.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** ON THE MOTION TO SET THE BILL ASIDE IS THERE ANY OBJECTION SEEING NO OBJECTION MOTION CARRIES.

**SENATOR SHELTON:** THANK YOU.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** WE'RE NOW ON BILL NUMBER 37-37 COR SPONSORED BY WILLIAM A. PARKINSON AND OTHERS SENATOR PARKINSON YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

**SENATOR PARKINSON:** THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER AS AN OPENING STATEMENT I WANT TO READ INTO THE RECORD THE FINDINGS AND INTENTS OF THIS BILL MADAM SPEAKER I MOTION TO MOVE BILL 37-37 COR TO THE THIRD READING TO DISCUSS.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** YOU MAY SPEAK IN THE MOTION.

**SENATOR PARKINSON:** THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER AS AN OPENING STATEMENT I WANT TO READ INTO THE RECORD THE FINDINGS INTENT OF THIS BILL SENATOR JOSE PEDO TERLAJE FIRST INTRODUCED BILL 380-35 LS ON JULY 14 2020 RELATIVE TO COMMISSIONING AND ACTUARIAL STUDY TO DETERMINE THE FEASIBILITY OF ALLOWING PUBLIC SAFETY PERSONNEL TO RETIRE AT AN EARLIER AGE OWING TO THE PHYSICALLY AND MENTALLY TAXING NATURE OF THE WORK THIS HAD BEEN LONG SOUGHT AFTER BY MANY PUBLIC SAFETY EMPLOYEES WHO NOTED MOST OTHER JURISDICTION IN THE UNITED STATES OFFERED A SEPARATE LOWER RETIREMENT AGE FOR PUBLIC SAFETY PERSONNEL COMPARED TO OTHER GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES THIS ALSO CONTRIBUTED TO THE ATTRITION RATE OF PUBLIC SAFETY EMPLOYEES IN THE GOVERNMENT OF GUAM AS THEY SOUGHT BETTER PAY AND BENEFITS IN HAWAII OR THE MAINLAND WHILE THIS DID NOT PASS IN THE 35TH GUAM LEGISLATURE SENATOR JOSE PEDO TERLAJE HE DID NOT GIVE UP AND INTRODUCED BILL 137-36 COR ON MAY 6 2021 FOR AN IDENTICAL PURPOSE THE BILL WAS INCORPORATED INTO PUBLIC LAW 36-107 THE FISCAL YEAR 2022 BUDGET ACT AND MADE LAW THE ACTUARIAL STUDY FOUND A FINANCIALLY SOUND WAY TO ACCOMPLISH AN EARLIER RETIREMENT AGE FOR UNIFORMED PERSONNEL OF THE GOVERNMENT OF GUAM WHILE ALSO PROVIDING BETTER RETIREMENT ACCRUALS FOR ALL GOVERNMENT OF GUAM EMPLOYEES IN THE DEFINED BENEFITS 1.75 PLAN SENATOR JOSE PEDO TERLAJE INTRODUCED BILL 34 346-36 COR ON OCTOBER 21 2022 THE CULMINATION OF YEARS OF WORK IN DETERMINING A FINANCIALLY FEASIBLE SOLUTION TO THIS LONG-RUNNING PROBLEM OF BENEFIT PARITY FOR OUR PUBLIC SAFETY EMPLOYEES WITH THEIR OFF-ISLAND COUNTERPARTS THE LEGISLATION WAS PASSED AND SIGNED INTO LAW AS PUBLIC LAW 36-130 ON DECEMBER 27

2022 THE LAST MONTH THE LAST PIECE OF LEGISLATION SENATOR TERLAJE AUTHORED HE PASSED AWAY JUST ONE MONTH LATER ON JANUARY 30 2023 THIS IMPORTANT PIECE OF LEGISLATION WHICH SENATOR TERLAJE FOUGHT SO LONG AND HARD FOR SHOULD APPROPRIATELY BE NAMED AFTER HIM THANK YOU MA'AM SPEAKER WITH THAT I YIELD MY TIME.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** THANK YOU SENATOR ON THE BILL 37-37 IS THERE ANYONE ELSE YOU'D LIKE TO BE RECOGNIZED ANYONE ELSE LIKE TO BE RECOGNIZED IF NOT SENATOR PARKINSON YOU MAY CLOSE ON THE BILL.

**SENATOR PARKINSON:** I YIELD MY TIME I'M SURE I THINK I'VE SAID ALL THAT NEEDS TO BE SAID.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** TO PLACE THE BILL 37-37 COR ON THE THIRD READING IS THERE ANY OBJECTION SEEING NO OBJECTION MOTION CARRIES RESOLUTION NUMBER 14-37 COR SPONSORED BY SENATOR PARKINSON SENATOR PARKINSON YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

**SENATOR PARKINSON:** THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER I MOVE TO I MOVE TO MOVE RESOLUTION NUMBER 14-37 COR TO THE THIRD READING FOR DISCUSSION.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** YOU MAY SPEAK ON THE MOTION.

**SENATOR PARKINSON:** FEDERAL PUBLIC LAW 110-229 THE CONSOLIDATED NATURAL RESOURCES ACT OF 2008 STATES THAT THE GOVERNOR HAS THE AUTHORITY TO PETITION THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY TO EXPAND THE GUAM CNMI VISA WAIVER PROGRAM TO INCLUDE THE PHILIPPINES IT STATES THAT THE SECRETARY OF HOMELAND SECURITY MAY WAIVE VISA REQUIREMENTS IN THE CASE OF AN ALIEN APPLYING FOR ADMISSION AS A NON-IMMIGRANT VISITOR FOR BUSINESS OR PLEASURE AND SOLELY FOR ENTRY INTO AND STAY IN GUAM OR THE COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS FOR A PERIOD NOT TO EXCEED 45 DAYS IF THE SECRETARY OF HOMELAND SECURITY AFTER CONSULTATION WITH THE SECRETARY OF INTERIOR SECRETARY OF STATE THE GOVERNOR OF GUAM AND THE GOVERNOR OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANAS DETERMINES THAT AN ADEQUATE ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE CONTROL SYSTEM HAS BEEN DEVELOPED IN GUAM AND THE CNMI ISLANDS AND SUCH A WAIVER DOES NOT REPRESENT A THREAT TO THE WELFARE SAFETY OR SECURITY OF THE UNITED STATES OR ITS TERRITORIES AND COMMONWEALTHS PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY GRANTED TO THIS FEDERAL LAW RESOLUTION 14-37 SEEKS TO GIVE SUPPORT TO GOVERNOR LOU LEON GUERRERO AND HER CONTINUING EFFORTS FOR GUAM PHILIPPINE VISA WAIVER PROGRAM IN OCTOBER 2022 GOVERNOR LEON GUERRERO MET WITH OFFICIALS FROM THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE AND THE U.S. EMBASSY IN MANILA AS WELL AS WITH OFFICIALS WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE WHERE SHE RENEWED EFFORTS FOR A GUAM PHILIPPINE VISA WAIVER PROGRAM THIS RESOLUTION WOULD LEND SUPPORT TO THAT EFFORT AND AFFIRM THE LEGISLATURE'S CONTINUED DETERMINATION FOR A GUAM PHILIPPINE VISA WAIVER PROGRAM GVB PRESIDENT CARL GUTIERREZ HAS STRESSED THE NEED FOR A FILIPINO TOURIST VISA WAIVER TO FURTHER THE ECONOMIC RECOVERY EFFORTS FROM THE PANDEMIC THE PHILIPPINES IS THE FIFTH LARGEST SOURCE OF TOURISTS FOR GUAM AND THOSE NUMBERS COULD BE GREATLY IMPROVED WITH A BURGEONING MIDDLE CLASS AND A FAST-GROWING ECONOMY THE PHILIPPINES IS POISED TO BE A BENEFICIAL TOURISM MARKET FOR GUAM AND WITH MANY PEOPLE ON GUAM HAVING STRONG TIES TO THE PHILIPPINES THE VISA WAIVER WOULD DRAW TOURISTS LOOKING TO VISIT FAMILY ON GUAM STATISTICS FROM THE GOVERNMENT OF THE PHILIPPINES SHOW THAT 4.3 MILLION TOURISTS FROM THE PHILIPPINES TRAVEL OUTSIDE OF THE COUNTRY EACH YEAR FOR PLEASURE OR BUSINESS A PHILIPPINE VISA WAIVER WOULD BOLSTER OUR TOURISM AND RECOVERY AND ENCOURAGE TRADE AND INVESTMENT FROM THE PHILIPPINES THIS WOULD CREATE MORE JOBS AND BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES FOR OUR LOCAL PEOPLE ACCORDING TO THE GVB'S PRELIMINARY JANUARY VISITOR ARRIVAL NUMBERS WE RECEIVED 39633 TOURISTS FROM KOREA IN JANUARY 4806 TOURISTS FROM JAPAN AND 1192 TOURISTS FROM THE PHILIPPINES WITH JAPAN'S NUMBERS SLOW TO IMPROVE IT IS IMPORTANT THAT WE CONTINUE TO DRIVE GROWTH IN OTHER MARKETS LIKE THE PHILIPPINES TO MAINTAIN OUR ECONOMIC RECOVERY AND SUPPORT OUR TOURISM INDUSTRY FOR THE FILIPINO COMMUNITY THAT LIVES HERE ON GUAM AND HAS LONG BEEN A WISH THAT MEMBERS OF THEIR FAMILY CAN VISIT THEM HERE SO THEY CAN SPEND QUALITY TIME WITH THEM AND THE VISA REQUIREMENT HAS PROVEN A BARRIER TO THIS FOR SO MANY FAMILIES SPENDING TIME WITH FAMILY IS ONE OF THE MOST VALUABLE THINGS IN LIFE SEEING OUR LOVED ONES GIVE US THE STRENGTH AND PERSEVERANCE TO FACE THE CHALLENGES THAT COME OUR WAY AND SO I URGE MY COLLEAGUES TO SUPPORT THIS RESOLUTION THANK YOU MADAM CHAIR I YIELD THE REST OF MY TIME.



**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** THANK YOU SENATOR ON RESOLUTION NUMBER 14-37 COR IS THERE ANYONE ELSE WHO'D LIKE TO BE RECOGNIZED ON THE RESOLUTION IF NOT THEN SPONSOR MAY CLOSE.

**SENATOR PARKINSON:** THANK YOU MADAM CHAIR MADAM SPEAKER I WOULD LIKE TO MAKE AN AMENDMENT TO ADD SENATORS JOANNE BROWN JESSE LUJAN AND TELO TAITAGUE AS CO-SPONSORS ON THIS RESOLUTION.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** ON THE MOTION TO ADD CO-SPONSORS AS LISTED IS THERE ANY OBJECTION SEEING NO OBJECTION MOTION CARRIES SENATOR PARKINSON SO THE MOTION WAS TO PLACE RESOLUTION NUMBER 14-37 COR ON THE THIRD READING FILE AS AMENDED IS THERE ANY OBJECTION SEEING NO OBJECTION MOTION CARRIES WE'RE NOW ON RESOLUTION NUMBER 21-37 COR MAJORITY LEADER SENATOR SHELTON YOU'RE RECOGNIZED.

**SENATOR SHELTON:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH MADAM SPEAKER I MOVE TO SET RESOLUTION NUMBER 21-37 COR ASIDE AT THIS TIME.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** ON THAT MOTION IS THERE ANY OBJECTION SEEING NO OBJECTION MOTION CARRIES RESOLUTION NUMBER 30-37.

**SENATOR SHELTON:** THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER I MOVE TO SET ASIDE RESOLUTION NUMBER 30-37 COR AS WELL.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** ON THAT MOTION IS THERE ANY OBJECTION SEEING NO OBJECTION MOTION CARRIES.

**SENATOR SHELTON:** MADAM SPEAKER I MOVE TO RECESS UNTIL 10 A.M. WEDNESDAY.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** ON THAT MOTION TO RECESS UNTIL 10 A.M. ON WEDNESDAY IS THERE ANY OBJECTION SEEING NO OBJECTION WE ARE RECESS UNTIL 10 A.M. ON WEDNESDAY THE 20 29TH.

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**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** *I MINA'TRENTAI SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN* IS BACK IN SESSION *BUEÑAS MANANA SI YU'OS* COLLEAGUES WE RESUME ON THE SECOND READING FILE ON BILL NUMBER 27-37 COR MAJORITY LEADER SENATOR SHELTON YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

**SENATOR SHELTON:** *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* MADAM SPEAKER I MOVE TO PLACE BILL NUMBER 27-37 COR ASIDE AT THIS TIME.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** THERE'S A MOTION TO SET BILL NUMBER 27-37 COR SPONSORED BY TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES ASIDE IS THERE ANY OBJECTION SEEING OBJECTION MOTION CARRIES WE ARE NOW ON RESOLUTION NUMBER 21-37 COR MAJORITY LEADER SENATOR SHELTON YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

**SENATOR SHELTON:** *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* MADAM SPEAKER I MOVE TO SET ASIDE RESOLUTION NUMBER 21-37 COR SPONSORED BY TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES AND OTHERS AT THIS TIME.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** ON THAT MOTION IS THERE ANY OBJECTION SEEING NO OBJECTION MOTION CARRIES WE'RE NOW ON RESOLUTION NUMBER 30-20 30-37 COR MAJORITY LEADERS SHELTON YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

**SENATOR SHELTON:** *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* MADAM SPEAKER I MOVE TO SET ASIDE RESOLUTION NUMBER 30-37 COR SPONSORED BY TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES AND OTHERS AT THIS TIME.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** ON THAT MOTION TO SET ASIDE RESOLUTION 30-37 IS THERE ANY OBJECTION SEEING AN OBJECTION MOTION CARRIES WE'VE EXHAUSTED OUR SECOND READING FILE FOR THE DAY.

**SENATOR DUEÑAS:** MADAM SPEAKER A REQUEST THAT WE GO BACK TO MOTIONS.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** ON THAT MOTION TO GO BACK TO MOTIONS IS THERE ANY OBJECTION SEEING NO OBJECTION MOTION CARRIES.

**SENATOR DUEÑAS:** MADAM SPEAKER I REQUESTE TO GO BACK TO MOTIONS NOTWITHSTANDING THE HOUSE RULES TO PLACE ON THE SESSION AGENDA RESOLUTION NUMBER 60-37 LS INTRODUCED BY THOMAS J. FISHER FRANK F. BLAS, JR. JESSE A. LUJAN JOANNE BROWN TELO T. TAITAGUE CHRIS BARNETT CHRISTOPHER M. DUEÑAS AND IT'S RELATIVE TO THE 37TH GUAM LEGISLATURE STANDING RULES 11.10 TO ESTABLISH A SPECIAL INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE TO INVESTIGATE A POTENTIAL ATTEMPT TO CORRUPTLY INCRIMINATE CRIMINALLY INFLUENCE THE LEGISLATURE DEBATE LEGISLATIVE DEBATE OF RESOLUTION OF THE *I LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN* TAKING PLACE ON OR ABOUT MARCH 21 23 MADAM SPEAKER THIS IS BASICALLY A RESOLUTION THAT OTHERWISE WOULD BE ADOPTED BY THE RULES COMMITTEE IT IS NOT SUBSTANTIVE IN TERMS OF REQUIRING PUBLIC HEARING AND IT IS PART OF OUR REGULAR DUTIES AS STATED IN THE STANDING RULES SO AT THIS TIME I MOVE THAT IT BE PLACED ON THE AGENDA FOR DEBATE AND VOTING IN THIS SESSION *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* MADAM CHAIR.

**NOTE SENATOR SHELTON PRESIDES**

**SENATOR SHELTON:** *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* SENATOR DUEÑAS ON THE MOTION TO PLACE RESOLUTION NUMBER 67-37 LS ON THE SESSION AGENDA THERE HAS BEEN AN OBJECTION THIS IS RESOLUTION NUMBER 67-37 INTRODUCED BY SENATOR FISHER AND OTHERS RELATIVE TO THE 37TH GUAM LEGISLATURE STANDING RULE 11.10 TO ESTABLISH SPECIAL INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE TO INVESTIGATE A POTENTIAL ATTEMPT TO CORRUPTLY AND CRIMINALLY INFLUENCE THE LEGISLATIVE DEBATE OF *I LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN* TAKING PLACE ON OR ABOUT MARCH 21 2023 ON THE MOTION TO PLACE RESOLUTION NUMBER 67-37 ON THE AGENDA THERE HAS BEEN AN OBJECTION TO PLACING RESOLUTION NUMBER SIXTY SEVEN DASH THIRTY SEVEN ON THE SESSION AGENDA CLERK PLEASE TAKE THE ROLL.

**SUBSTITUTE CLERK OF THE LEGISLATURE:** SENATOR BARNETT (AYE) SENATOR BLAS (AYE) SENATOR BROWN (AYE) SENATOR DUEÑAS (AYE) SENATOR FISHER (AYE) SENATOR LUJAN (AYE) VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** I MOVE TO EXCUSE THOSE NOT PRESENT FOR VOTING TODAY.

**SENATOR SHELTON:** ON THE MOTION TO EXCUSE THOSE NOT PRESENT FOR VOTING ANY OBJECTION MOTION CARRIES.

**SUBSTITUTE CLERK OF THE LEGISLATURE:** VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES (EXCUSED) SENATOR PARKINSON (NAY) SENATOR PEREZ (NAY) SENATOR QUINATA (NAY) SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN (NAY) SENATOR SAN NICOLAS (AYE) SENATOR SHELTON (NAY) SENATOR TAITAGUE (PASS) SPEAKER TERLAJE (NAY) SENATOR TAITAGUE (PASS) SENATOR TAITAGUE (AYE).

**SENATOR SHELTON:** WITH EIGHT AYE AND SIX NAYS MOTION CARRIES RESOLUTION NUMBER 67-37 LS HAS BEEN ADDED TO THE SESSION AGENDA WE ARE IN MOTION'S COLLEAGUES SPEAKER TERLAJE YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** MADAM SPEAKER NOTWITHSTANDING THE OBJECTIONS OF *I MAGA'HÁGAN GUÁHAN* I MOVE TO PLACE VETOED BILL NUMBER 12-37 COR IN THE VOTING FILE FOR AN OVERRIDE VETOED BILL NUMBER TWELVE DASH THIRTY SEVEN COR AS AMENDED ON THE FLOOR IS AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION SIX ZERO ONE ONE TWO CHAPTER SIXTY TITLE TWENTY ONE GUAM QUOTE ANNOTATED RELATIVE TO REQUIRING PRIOR APPROVAL FROM THE LEGISLATURE BEFORE PURCHASING OR ENTERING INTO A LEASE LICENSE OR SUBLEASE OF PROPERTY OWNED BY THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT FOREIGN GOVERNMENT OR SUB-ENTITIES THEREOF FOR A TERM IN EXCESS OF FIVE YEARS AND I WOULD ASK THAT I'D BE ALLOWED TO SPEAK ON THIS MOTION.

**SENATOR SHELTON:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH MADAM SPEAKER PLEASE PROCEED.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** BILL TWELVE WAS PASSED UNANIMOUSLY BY THIS BODY IT IS A PRACTICAL MEASURE THAT DOES ONE THING IT REQUIRES THE APPROVAL OF THE LEGISLATURE FOR LEASES WITH THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT LONGER THAN FIVE YEARS ALLOWING THE DISCLOSURE OF WHAT THE PEOPLE OF GUAM WILL BE OBLIGATED TO FOR DECADES BILL TWELVE WOULD GOVERN ALL FUTURE LEASES AND ALL PROPERTIES STILL HELD BY THE MILITARY OR THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT REGARDLESS OF WHO IS THE GOVERNOR IT WOULD REQUIRE ANY GOVERNOR TO GET CONSENSUS FROM THE LEGISLATURE AS TO LEASES WITH THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT THERE HAS BEEN A CAMPAIGN LAUNCHED AGAINST THE OVERRIDE OF THIS BILL BUT I CAN'T HELP BUT WONDER WHAT BILL IT IS THAT'S BEING DISCUSSED AS I READ ACCOUNTS IN THE MEDIA THE FORM LETTERS BEING SENT BY THE GOVERNOR'S STAFF TO ME AND OTHER SENATORS SOME LETTERS FROM MY COLLEAGUES AND STATEMENTS BY THE GOVERNOR SO I WOULD LIKE TO STATE FOR THE RECORD WHAT BILL 12-37 DOES NOT DO THE BILL DOES NOT OPPOSE A HOSPITAL IT DOES NOT MEAN THAT THERE WILL BE NO NEW HOSPITAL OR THAT WE WILL LOSE THE NEW HOSPITAL THE BILL DOES NOT PURPORT TO GIVE THE LAND BACK TO THOSE OF ANCESTRAL CLAIMS AND THE LAND OWNERS KNOW THIS THE BILL DOES NOT ENDANGER THE HEALTH AND WELL-BEING OF THE PEOPLE OF GUAM AS WAS STATED IN THE GOVERNOR'S VETO MESSAGE THE BILL WAS NOT INTRODUCED TO OBSTRUCT EFFECTUATE A POLITICAL AGENDA NOR TO SEEK DIRECT CONTROL OVER EXECUTIVE BRANCH FUNCTIONS WHICH WAS ALSO CONTAINED IN THE GOVERNOR'S VETO MESSAGE THE BILL DOES NOT MEAN THAT SENATORS DON'T CARE OR THAT THEY ARE VICTIMIZING THESE FAMILIES OR THAT SENATORS ARE SCAPEGOATING ANYONE AS A VILLAIN ALSO ASSERTED IN THE GOVERNOR'S VETO MESSAGE THE FIVE-PAGE VETO LETTER CONTAINED SOME PERSONAL ATTACKS AGAINST MEMBERS OF THIS BODY BUT WHAT WAS THAT FOR THE BILL WOULD SIMPLY REQUIRE LEGISLATIVE APPROVAL OF LEASES MANDATING MORE SCRUTINY FOR DEALS BEING MADE ON BEHALF OF THE PEOPLE OF GUAM AND OUR CHILDREN AND OUR GRANDCHILDREN LEASES OF LAND SUCH AS THE ONE UNPRECEDENTED SUCH AS *LALO* AND WHO KNOWS WHAT OTHER LANDS LISTED AS ACCESSED BY THE SECRETARY OF THE NAVY WILL BE SUBJECT TO SOME OTHER LEASE TO BYPASS THE PROCESS OF RETURN BY THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT NO LEGISLATURE BEFORE US HAS SHIED AWAY FROM APPROVING LEASES OF GOVERNMENT LAND OVER FIVE YEARS APPROVING INDEBTEDNESS FOR BONDS AND SCHOOLS AND OTHER OBLIGATIONS WITH MUCH SHORTER TIME FRAMES AND FAR LESS THAN A BILLION DOLLAR OBLIGATIONS COURTS CONTINUE TO SAY THAT THE APPROPRIATION POWER BELONGS TO THE LEGISLATURE PURSUANT TO THE ORGANIC ACT THE LEGISLATURE MUST CONSENT TO THE GOVERNMENT BEING BOUND FOR FUTURE PAYMENTS EVEN QUIET EVEN CONGRESS REQUIRES SUBMISSION AND REVIEW OF LONG-TERM MILITARY LEASES WHY SHOULDN'T THE GUAM LEGISLATURE SIMILARLY REVIEW WHY SHOULDN'T THE LEGISLATURE PROVIDE THE CHECKS AND BALANCES THAT ALL FIFTEEN OF US WERE ELECTED TO DO ON BEHALF OF THE PEOPLE OF GUAM IT'S A SIMPLE YET NECESSARY REVIEW IT WILL PROTECT THE PEOPLE OF GUAM FROM OVERBEARING DEBT ANOTHER YTK OR MAX HABIT TYPE OF DEAL IT WILL EMBED ANOTHER OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PEOPLE OF GUAM TO PROTECT AGAINST CORRUPTION AND TO PURSUE JUSTICE IN REGARDS TO LANDS ORIGINALLY TAKEN FROM THE PEOPLE OF GUAM AND THE PEOPLE OF GUAM ARE THE ONES WHO WILL BUILD AND FINANCE THE HOSPITAL WITH THEIR HARD WORK AND THEIR TAXES AND ARE THE ONLY ONES WHO WILL BE LEFT ON THE HOOK FOR WHAT THESE LEASES WILL ENTAIL AFTER ALL OF US THE GOVERNOR THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR ALL OF US SENATORS OF ARE HAVE COMPLETED OUR TERMS IN OFFICE AND WE OWE

IT TO THESE PEOPLE OF GUAM TO DO OUR JOB AND NOT LOOK THE OTHER WAY TO RENT PROPERTY FOR ITS OWN USES THE GOVERNMENT OF GUAM NORMALLY SOLICITS COMPETITION AND VALUE UNDER THE PROCUREMENT LAW THE USE OF FEDERAL PROPERTY IS NOT COMPETITIVE IT'S NOT CURRENTLY VETTED FOR VALUE UNDER THE PROCUREMENT LAW AND WITHOUT ANY COMPETITION OR INSURED VALUE OR PREVIOUS AUTHORIZATION BY THE LEGISLATURE IT IS FUNDAMENTAL TO A HEALTHY GOVERNMENT THAT THE LEGISLATURE REVIEW THE PROPOSED FIFTY YEAR OBLIGATION THAT WAS NEGOTIATED IN SECRET BY ONE PERSON AND IT IS A LIE THAT THE LEASE IS FREE FROM WHAT WE CAN SEE FROM THE DRAFT THAT WE JUST RECEIVED RECENTLY UNDER THE GOVERNOR'S PROPOSAL GUAM MUST PAY RENT AT ALMOST ONE MILLION DOLLARS A YEAR FOR FIFTY YEARS ADDITIONALLY ACCORDING TO THE LEASE THE MILITARY HAS SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS GUAM MUST COMPLY WITH BUT THOSE WILL NOT BE FULLY DISCLOSED UNTIL AFTER THE LEASE IS SIGNED THE PEOPLE OF GUAM WILL PAY THIS RENT FROM OUR BUSINESS AND INCOME TAXES AND EVEN IF ALL THE REMAINING THREE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS IN ARP FUNDS ARE USED ON THE HOSPITAL I'M SORRY THREE HUNDRED MILLION DOLLARS IN ARP FUNDS ARE USED ON THE HOSPITAL THE GOVERNMENT OF GUAM WILL STILL GO INTO DEBT FOR POSSIBLY THIRTY TO FIFTY YEARS TO FINANCE OVER A HUNDRED MILLION DOLLARS IN INFRASTRUCTURE AND THE ONE BILLION DOLLAR HOSPITAL BUILDING ITSELF AND ALL THE OTHER PROMISES MADE THAT WITHOUT THIS BILL WE WILL NOT SEE UNTIL WE ARE BOUND TO THEM THE PEOPLE OF GUAM ALSO WILL BEAR THE COST FOR THE MAINTENANCE THE RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION OF HEALTH PROFESSIONALS DESPITE A NATIONWIDE SHORTAGE INCENTIVIZING THEM WITH HIGHER PAY SCHOLARSHIPS AND TAX BREAKS AND IMMUNITY WHY SHOULD WE TRUST THE DETAILS TO THE MILITARY WHY ARE THOSE DETAILS NOT GOING TO BE PRESENTED UNTIL AFTER THE LEASE IS SIGNED WE COULDN'T TRUST THEM TO KEEP THEIR PROMISES OF THE NET NEGATIVE LAND USE OR TO RETURN EXCESS LANDS TO THE GOVERNMENT OF GUAM THE LEASE WAS NEGOTIATED SEEMINGLY IN CONTRAVENTION OF SEVERAL PROMISES MADE BY THE MILITARY AND CONGRESS TO THE PEOPLE OF GUAM FIRST THAT THE MILITARY FOOTPRINT AFTER THE BUILDUP OF MARINES WOULD BE SMALLER THAN WHEN IT STARTED AND THAT EXCESS LAND WOULD BE RETURNED TO THE GOVERNMENT OF GUAM THE NET NEGATIVE PROMISE SECOND THAT THE SECRETARY OF THE NAVY WOULD FOLLOW THE TWENTY FOURTEEN NDAA PROCESS TO IDENTIFY AND AGREE TO THE RETURN OF EXCESS LANDS THROUGH THE GOVERNMENT OF GUAM THE LALO LAND OR THE EAGLES FIELD WAS LISTED BY THE SECRETARY OF THE U.S. NAVY AS ELIGIBLE FOR RETURN TO THE TERRITORY OF GUAM AND THAT'S A QUOTE PURSUANT TO THE 2014 NDAA CONGRESSIONAL PROCESS AND THUS IT SHOULD BE RETURNED TO THE GOVERNMENT OF GUAM IF THIS IS INDEED WHERE WE WANT TO BUILD A HOSPITAL DID THE SECRETARY OF NAVY CHANGE HIS MIND WE HAVE FOIA THE GOVERNMENT THE GOVERNOR AND THERE IS NO DOCUMENT THAT EXISTS THAT INDICATES THAT SO I HAVE ASKED CAN WE GET THIS IN WRITING INSTEAD OF THE ADMIRAL OF THE JOINT REGION MARIANAS GOING TO THE MEDIA TO TELL US WE TOOK ALL OF THE LAND THAT HAD BEEN LISTED AS EXCESS BUT HAD NOT STARTED THE PROCESS OF TRANSFER AND WE REMOVED IT FROM THE EXCESS LIST HE ALSO STATED THERE ARE NO EXCESS LANDS I'VE ASKED THE PROMISE OF NET NEGATIVE WAS MADE IN TWENTY TEN THAT WAS THIRTEEN YEARS AGO BUT THE DISREGARD OF THE SECRETARY OF THE NAVY'S LETTERS AND A THREAT TO OUR GOVERNOR THAT IF WE DO NOT SIGN THIS LEASE WITHIN THIRTY DAYS WE LOSE THE LAND AGAIN I FIND UNCONSCIONABLE AND SENATORS EVEN THOUGH HE THREATENED US DO NOT TURN YOUR BACK ON ANY CHANCE FOR THESE LANDOWNERS AND ALL THE OTHER LANDOWNERS THEY ARE STILL HOPING FOR A RETURN AND WE DO NOT NEED TO GIVE UP ALL OF THEIR RIGHTS OF THOSE LANDOWNERS IN ORDER TO BUILD A HOSPITAL THEY HAVE SACRIFICED AND ARE STILL HOPING FOR A RETURN ANOTHER PROMISE WAS MADE IN THE TWENTY TEN AND THE TWENTY FIFTEEN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENTS WITH THEY POINTED OUT ADVERSE AND DISPROPORTIONATE IMPACTS ON PUBLIC HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES TO LOW-INCOME POPULATIONS ON GUAM AND TO THE LACK OF AVAILABILITY OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING THAT IS ALREADY OCCURRING BECAUSE OF THE MILITARY BUILDUP AND THIRTEEN YEARS LATER WE STILL WAIT FOR THOSE MITIGATION EFFORTS TO ADDRESS THE IMPACT ON OUR COMMUNITY FORMER CONGRESSMAN ROBERT UNDERWOOD IN A MARCH 23 PDN ARTICLE TITLED REAR ADMIRAL BENJAMIN NICHOLSON AND THE FOURTH BRANCH OF GOVERNMENT IN *GUÅHAN* WITTEDLY WEIGHS IN STATING QUOTE HE HAS TOLD US THAT THERE WOULD BE NO MORE EXCESS LAND AND THAT PREVIOUS NET NEGATIVE UNDERSTANDINGS HAVE BEEN OVERTAKEN BY THE NEED FOR A MISSILE DEFENSE SYSTEM A DOUBLE CROSS ON THE NET NEGATIVE DOES NOT YIELD A NET POSITIVE UNQUOTE I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO NOTE THAT IN ADDITION TO OTHER PROPERTIES THAT WERE LISTED THE GUAM ANCESTRAL LANDS TESTIFIED AT AN OVERSIGHT FOR THE MEDICAL CAMPUS LAST YEAR THAT THERE WERE FOURTEEN HUNDRED ACRES AVAILABLE IN THE LAND BANK THAT COULD BE USED FOR OTHER PURPOSES SUCH AS A MEDICAL CAMPUS I AM NOT AWARE OF THE DISPOSITION OF THESE PROPERTIES BUT WE HAVE BEEN ADVISED BY THE DIRECTOR THAT IT WAS SUGGESTED AND ULTIMATELY NOT CHOSEN I'M UNAWARE OF THE DISCUSSIONS OR THE DECISION THAT WAS MADE TO OPT OUT OF LAND THAT THE GOVERNMENT ALREADY OWNS WHICH WOULD HAVE PROVIDED GUAM ITS AUTONOMY ON THE HOSPITAL IN ORDER TO LEASE LAND IN OR INSTEAD OF LEASING LAND FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT WHILE THE MILITARY MANDATES WHAT IS REQUIRED AS PART OF THE LEASE WE'VE HEARD A FEW BITS AND PIECES OF THE

LEASE IN THE MEDIA INCLUDING THE PROVISIONS THAT THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES SHALL HAVE THE RIGHT TO TERMINATE THIS LEASE IN WHOLE OR IN PART WITHOUT LIABILITY AND REGARDLESS OF ANY LACK OF BREACH BY LESSEE OF ANY OF THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THIS LEASE UPON NINETY DAY NOTICE TO LESSEE THAT'S US THE GOVERNMENT OF GUAM WE'RE THE LESSEE OR THAT THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT MAY TERMINATE WITHIN NINETY DAYS IF PREMISES ARE REQUIRED FOR FEDERAL USE AND THE UNITED STATES RETAINS EASEMENTS OVER ACROSS IN AND UPON THE LEAST PREMISES AND MANY OTHER THINGS BUT AS I NOTE THIS I CAN'T HELP BUT BE CONCERNED THAT IF THIS VETO ISN'T OVERRIDDEN THIS IS THE CLOSEST THING THAT THE PUBLIC MAY SEE TO THE PROPER PUBLIC VETTING OF THIS LEASE THIS OBLIGATION AND WHAT WE ARE COMMITTING TO FOR DECADES AND I WANT TO REITERATE THAT THIS LEGISLATURE AND MORE IMPORTANTLY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM HAVE HAD NO TRUE INPUT TO THIS PROPOSED LEASE FOR FEDERAL LAND THAT IS BEING SIGNED NOR HAS THERE BEEN ANY OPPORTUNITY TO DATE DESPITE A TASK ORDER FOR THE GEDA CONSULTANT TO GIVE AT LEAST TWO PRESENTATIONS TO POLICY MAKERS AND HOST AT LEAST TWO FORUMS FOR THE MEDICAL AND PUBLIC HEALTH INDUSTRIES BEFORE AUGUST 2022 WITHOUT PUBLIC INPUT I THINK WE SHOULD BEAR IN MIND THAT THE FEDERAL LAND THAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT WAS TAKEN FROM THE PEOPLE OF GUAM ALSO WITHOUT PUBLIC INPUT WE ARE BEING ASKED TO LOOK THE OTHER WAY ON A LEASE WHERE THE DETAILS AS TO WHAT GUAM WILL BE MANDATED TO BUILD THE SERVICES GUAM WILL BE MANDATED TO PROVIDE AND THE IN-KIND PAYMENT THAT MIGHT BE ACCEPTABLE IN LIEU OF ONE MILLION DOLLARS A YEAR WILL BE DISCLOSED ONLY AFTER THE SIGNING WOULD ANY LEGISLATURE DO THAT WITHOUT ASKING QUESTIONS SHOULD THE GOVERNOR NOT BE REQUIRED TO SEEK APPROVAL FROM THE CO-EQUAL BRANCH OF GOVERNMENT BEFORE PROCEEDING WITH SUCH A SIGNIFICANT OBLIGATION THE PEOPLE OF GUAM ARE ENTITLED TO KNOW WHAT IS BEING NEGOTIATED ON THEIR BEHALF ESPECIALLY WHEN IT COMES TO LAND AGREEMENTS INVOLVING DEALS MADE WITH THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AT THE COST OF THE PEOPLE OF GUAM AND IF THE MILITARY'S DEAL IS THE GREAT DEAL THE GOVERNOR WANTS US TO BELIEVE IT IS I HAVE PROMISED HER THAT WE CAN DISCUSS THE DETAILS IMMEDIATELY AFTER THIS OVERRIDE AND APPROVAL OF THE FEDERAL LEASE IF IT IS GOOD FOR GUAM SHOULD BE A SLAM DUNK WE WILL BE ABLE TO SEE THE DETAILS AND DECIDE IF THERE ARE TOO MANY UNKNOWNNS OR WHETHER WE CAN SAFELY BIND THE GOVERNMENT FOR ONE MILLION DOLLARS A YEAR AFTER THEY SAID IT WAS FOR FREE IF WE CAN AFFORD THE MILITARY'S CONSTRUCTION SERVICE AND EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS THAT ARE NOT YET DISCLOSED BUT THAT GUAM IS AGREEING TO TO BY SIGNING THE LEASE.

**SENATOR SHELTON:** MADAM SPEAKER.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** OR IF THE PEOPLE OF GUAM ARE OKAY WITH A LACK OF DETAILS AS TO EXACTLY WHAT IS MEANT BY IN-KIND SERVICES THAT MAY BE USED TO OFFSET THE ONE.

**SENATOR SHELTON:** THANK YOU THANK YOU MADAM MADAM SPEAKER YOUR TIME IS PLEASE WRAP UP.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** THANK YOU IF BILL TWELVE IS OVERRIDDEN THE HOSPITAL WILL STILL BE BUILT THE PROPOSED LEASE OF FEDERAL LAND CAN BE REVIEWED WITH HASTE WE CAN CONTINUE TO NEGOTIATE WITH THE MILITARY FOR USE OF LANDED CONTROLS WE CAN CONSIDER AGAIN THE USE OF OUR OWN LAND ALREADY SET ASIDE FOR A HOSPITAL OR THE FOURTEEN HUNDRED ACRES OF SPANISH CROWN LANDS IN THE LAND BANK INVENTORY AS SUGGESTED BY THE DIRECTOR OF THE ANCESTRAL LANDS COMMISSION THIS BILL DOES NOT LESSEN THE LEGISLATURE'S COMMITMENT TO FUNDING A HOSPITAL OR THEY INCREASE.

**SENATOR SHELTON:** MADAM SPEAKER MADAM SPEAKER YOUR TIME'S UP.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** WITH WHICH WE MUST WORK TOGETHER AND SO I ASKED THE LEGISLATURE TO SUPPORT US IN SHINING LIGHT ON THIS LEASE THANK YOU.

**SENATOR PARKINSON:** ORDER MADAM CHAIR FOR THE THIRD TIME HER TIME IS UP.

**SENATOR SHELTON:** THANK YOU ON THE ON THE MOTION NOTWITHSTANDING THE GOVERNOR'S VETO TO OVERRIDE THE GOVERNOR'S VETO OF BILL NUMBER 12-37 DISCUSSION ANYONE ON THE OVERRIDE SENATOR PARKINSON YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

**SENATOR PARKINSON:** THANK YOU MADAM CHAIR I VOTED FOR THIS BILL BECAUSE THIS BILL WOULD GIVE THIS BODY A LEGISLATIVE MECHANISM TO KILL THE HOSPITAL IF WE DIDN'T NOT IF WE DID NOT LIKE IT DID NOT LIKE THE TERMS OF IT AND FROM THE BEGINNING I HAVE ALWAYS SUPPORTED THE LANDOWNERS SO I VOTED FOR THIS BILL BECAUSE I BELIEVE THAT THE TIME BECAUSE OF THE TESTIMONY OF SOME OF THIS BODY THAT IF WE OBSTRUCTED THE HOSPITAL IT WOULD GIVE THE ORIGINAL LANDOWNERS AN OPPORTUNITY TO GET THEIR LAND BACK AND SO YES I VOTED FOR THIS BILL BUT THEN I HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK WITH THE ADMIRAL AND IN THAT OPPORTUNITY I ASKED HIM POINT BLANK DO THESE PEOPLE HAVE A CHANCE TO GET THEIR LAND BACK IS THERE ANY POSSIBILITY AT ALL AND THE ADMIRAL TOLD ME POINT BLANK IT WAS

IMPOSSIBLE FOR THEM TO GET THEIR LAND BACK AND IT'S WITH THAT NEW INFORMATION THAT I CANNOT SUPPORT THIS OVERRIDE BECAUSE IF THE CHOICE IS EITHER A NEW BADLY NEEDED HOSPITAL OR NOT I CANNOT IN GOOD CONSCIENCE NOT SUPPORT A NEW HOSPITAL AND FOR THIS BILL THIS BILL DIRECTLY SAYS WE HAVE THE ABILITY TO OVERRIDE WE THIS OVERRIDE DECIDES IF A HOSPITAL WILL BE BUILT OR NOT SO THAT'S THE SIMPLE KIND.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** POINT OF ORDER MADAM SPEAKER THE BILL DOES NOT STATE THAT ANYWHERE IN THIS BILL IT IS A BILL TO APPROVE FEDERAL LEASES.

**SENATOR SHELTON:** THANK YOU FOR YOUR POINT OF ORDER SPEAKER TERLAJE SPEAKER PARKINSON.

**SENATOR PARKINSON:** SPEAKER TERLAJE IF WE DON'T IMPORT THE LEASE WILL THAT KILL THE HOSPITAL.

**SENATOR SHELTON:** SENATOR PARKINSON PLEASE ADDRESS THE CHAIR THIS IS DISCUSSION.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** I WILL YIELD TO THAT QUESTION.

**SENATOR SHELTON:** ON THE NOTWITHSTANDING ALL RIGHT IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO RAISE A POINT OF INQUIRY PLEASE STATES.

**SENATOR PARKINSON:** I WOULD LIKE TO RAISE A POINT OF INQUIRY TO SPEAKER TERLAJE IF WE WERE TO VOTE NO MA'AM IF WE IF WE WERE TO VOTE NO THANK YOU SIR FOR A REFRESHER ON PROTOCOL I APPRECIATE THAT MADAM CHAIR IF WE WERE TO VOTE NO ON THIS LEASE IF THIS BILL OVERRIDE WERE TO GO THROUGH WOULD THAT KILL THE HOSPITAL AT THAT LOCATION.

**SENATOR SHELTON:** SPEAKER TERLAJE.

**SENATOR PARKINSON:** IF WE VOTED NO.

**SENATOR SHELTON:** DO YOU YIELD TO THE QUESTION.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** YES I GLADLY YIELD TO THIS QUESTION BECAUSE THIS QUESTION IS REALLY IT'S THE ROOT OF THE MISS MISUNDERSTANDINGS THAT ARE GOING ON IN OUR COMMUNITY THE BILL BEFORE US THAT WE'RE TRYING TO OVERRIDE SAYS THAT LEGISLATIVE APPROVAL WILL BE REQUIRED OF ALL FEDERAL LEASES IT DOES NOT MENTION A HOSPITAL IT DOES NOT BRING IN A LEASE FOR THE HOSPITAL IT IN NO WAY BRINGS US THE DETAILS OF THE LEASE FOR THE HOSPITAL WHICH IS THE ISSUE THAT WE ARE TRYING TO DO TO BRING THAT LEASE DOWN AND HAVE IT VETTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM AND BY THE GUAM LEGISLATURE BEFORE WE ENTER INTO OR SOMEONE ENTERS INTO ON ALL OF OUR BEHALF THE HUGE OBLIGATIONS THAT MIGHT BE INCLUDED IN THIS LEASE OR ANY OTHER LEASE SO THIS BILL DOES NOT IMPACT THE HOSPITAL IT IMPACTS ANY AND ALL FEDERAL LEASES WITH THE GOVERNMENT OF GUAM EXCEEDING FIVE YEARS.

**SENATOR PARKINSON:** THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER THANK YOU MADAM CHAIR.

**SENATOR SHELTON:** THANK YOU.

**SENATOR PARKINSON:** SO AS SHE SAYS THIS BODY WILL HAVE LEGISLATIVE CONSENT TO OVER ALL FEDERAL LEASES OVER FIVE YEARS MY FEAR IS IF WE PASS THIS OVERRIDE NO HOSPITAL LOCATION WILL EVER GET LEGISLATIVE APPROVAL THERE ARE SOME IN THIS BODY THAT CHOOSE TO LOOK AT PARTNERSHIP WITH THE MILITARY IN THE NEGATIVE LIGHT BUT THIS IS A WIN-WIN SITUATION PARTNERSHIP WITH THE MILITARY GUARANTEES THAT WE WILL HAVE A FAST AND RESPONSIBLE PARTNERSHIP THAT MAKES SURE THAT WE GET THIS HOSPITAL UP IN A TIMELY MANNER WITH ALL OF ITS P'S AND Q'S MINDED NOT ONLY WILL WE HAVE HELP TOWARDS A HOSPITAL AND FEDERAL FUNDS WE WILL HAVE A VETERANS CARE CENTER RIGHT ON THIS ISLAND AND AS SOMEBODY WHO HAS HAD TO TRAVEL MANY MANY TIMES AS A CARETAKER FOR A ONE HUNDRED PERCENT DISABLED VETERAN HAVING THAT CENTER HERE ON ISLAND IS SOMETHING THAT I CANNOT IGNORE AND VOTE AGAINST ANY PLACE WE PUT A HOSPITAL HAS ITS PROS AND CONS *LALO* IS THE FASTEST AND THE ONE THAT WE ARE MOST LIKELY TO GET FEDERAL FUNDS WITH WE NEED TO RECOGNIZE OUR ROLE IN THE WORLD THE THREAT OF CHINA IS EVER PRESENT AND LOOMING OVER US LIKE THE SWORD OF DAMOCLES WE HAVE BEEN CALLED MANY THINGS HERE ON GUAM THE UNSINKABLE CARRIER THE TIP OF THE SPEAR WHERE AMERICA'S DAY BEGINS I DON'T LIKE THOSE NAMES I DON'T WANT TO BE THE TIP OF THE SPEAR I DID NOT ASK NO ONE IN THIS ISLAND ASKED TO BE IN THAT SITUATION AND IT IS NOT RIGHT BUT IT DOESN'T CHANGE THE REALITY ON THE GROUND THAT WE HAVE THIS MASSIVE THREAT ON THE HORIZON AND WE NEED TO PREPARE AND WE NEED TO PREPARE IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE U.S. MILITARY TO MAKE SURE WE HAVE THE ADEQUATE HEALTH CARE AND DEFENSES NEEDED FOR WHEN THAT DARK DAY COMES I URGE THIS BODY TO MOVE WITH URGENCY AND RECOGNIZE THE REALITY THAT WE CAN'T KEEP PUSHING THIS OFF BECAUSE WE HAVE A SERIOUS THREAT ON THE HORIZON I KNOW WE ALL WANT TO DO WELL FOR THE ISLAND AND SO I ASK THE MEMBERS OF THIS BODY TO PLEASE NOT SUPPORT THIS OVERRIDE BECAUSE WE NEED A NEW HOSPITAL AND WE NEED IT IN

PARTNERSHIP WITH THE U.S. MILITARY AND LET'S LET'S PUT DOWN THE RHETORIC AND WORK IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THEM AND GET IT DONE BECAUSE OUR ISLAND NEEDS IT I KNOW A LOT OF PEOPLE DON'T LIKE THE AMERICAN MILITARY BUT THERE IS ALWAYS GOING TO BE A MILITARY ON GUAM WHETHER IT'S THE AMERICAN MILITARY OR THE CHINESE MILITARY AND IF I HAD TO CHOOSE I WOULD CHOOSE AMERICAN EVERY DAY AND I ASKED HIS BODY TO JOIN ME IN THAT AND HELP A NEW HOSPITAL BE BUILT WITH THAT I YIELD THE REST OF MY TIME.

**SENATOR SHELTON:** THANK YOU SENATOR PARKINSON ON THE DISCUSSION NOTWITHSTANDING THE OVERRIDE OF VETOED BILL NUMBER TWELVE DASH THIRTY SEVEN ANY SENATOR WISHING TO SPEAK SENATOR PEREZ YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

**SENATOR PEREZ:** *HÅFA ADAI* THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER *CHAMORU'S* HAVE THIS SAYING *TI ANNOK I YA PAPAPA'* WHICH MEANS THE BOTTOM IS NOT VISIBLE AND IT'S IMPORTANT THAT WHEN WE ARE DEALING WITH LEASES THAT WE LOOK AT THE FINE DETAILS TO MAKE SURE THAT WE ARE NOT SOLD AND DECEIVED THIS NEED FOR TRANSPARENCY IS EVER MORE IMPORTANT IN THIS MODERN AGE ESPECIALLY WHEN WE'RE DEALING WITH BOND COVENANTS IS THIS LEASE GOING TO JEOPARDIZE ALL THESE BOND COVENANTS WHICH THE GOVERNMENT IS ACCOUNTABLE FOR TALKING ABOUT BILLIONS OF DOLLARS YOU KNOW AN ECONOMY THAT IS STILL RECOVERING IN WHICH OUR PEOPLE OUR AVERAGE CITIZEN IS NOT MAKING IS HARDLY MAKING ENOUGH TO SURVIVE THE ONSLAUGHT OF INFLATION I THINK WE NEED TO LOOK AT THIS REALLY CLOSELY BEFORE WE OBLIGATE OUR FUTURE GENERATIONS TO THIS DEAL IT'S CLEAR THAT THERE WERE OTHER OPTIONS AVAILABLE TO BUILD A HOSPITAL THIS WAS NOT THE ONLY OPTION THEN COMMON SENSE TOO SAYS WHY WOULD WE PUT A HOSPITAL NEXT TO A MISSILE DEFENSE SYSTEM WHEN WE'RE GOING TO SPEND BILLIONS OF DOLLARS ON THIS PROJECT DOES THAT MAKE ANY SENSE IF THERE'S A REASON LET IT BE KNOWN WE WANT TO SEE THE DETAILS BECAUSE I CAN'T CONSCIOUSLY ALLOW OR AGREE TO THIS DEAL PART OF THE LEASE SAYS AND I CAN QUOTE IT THE GOVERNMENT WHICH IS MEANS THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT SHOULD HAVE THE RIGHT TO TERMINATE THE LEASE IN WHOLE OR IN PART WITHOUT LIABILITY REGARDLESS OF ANY LACK OF BREACH BY THE LESSEE OF OF ANY TERMS AND CONDITIONS SO WHAT MAY SEEM FOR THOSE THAT ARE PUSHING THIS A GOOD DEAL THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT MAY CHANGE THEIR MIND IN FIVE TWENTY YEARS AND IF WE SIGN THIS LEASE THEY CAN GET OUT OF IT WITHOUT ANY LIABILITY ISSUES WITHOUT HAVING TO PAY BACK THE MILLIONS BILLIONS OF DOLLARS THAT OUR PEOPLE ARE PUTTING UP SO LET'S SEE THE DETAILS WHAT ARE WE GETTING INTO IT DOESN'T MAKE SENSE TO ME AT THIS POINT SO I WANT TO SEE CONVINC ME CONVINC ALL OF US TO NOT DO THAT IS NOT GETTING OUR CONSENT WHY WOULD I SIGN SOMETHING BUT I DON'T KNOW WHAT I'M GETTING INTO WHAT OUR PEOPLE ARE GETTING INTO THIS DEAL WILL OUTLAST MANY OF OUR LIVES WE ARE BEHOLDING THE NEXT GENERATION TO POTENTIALLY A BAD DEAL AND OUR PEOPLE HAVE EXPERIENCED MANY OF THESE BAD DEALS IF WE CAN ONLY TURN BACK THE CLOCK WE WOULD NOT HAVE SIGNED THAT NINETY NINE YEAR LEASE THAT FIFTY YEAR LEASE IF WE ONLY KNEW WHAT'S HAPPENING THE FUTURE WE CAN SEE THROUGH THIS CRYSTAL BALL AND SEE WHAT A BAD DEAL THIS WAS YOU KNOW MAYBE WE COULD HAVE DONE SOMETHING BACK THEN NOW WE'RE FACED WITH THIS DEAL AND TO ME IT DOESN'T SOUND RIGHT IT DOESN'T FEEL RIGHT ALL WE'RE ASKING IS WHAT ARE THE DETAILS THAT MAKE IT SUCH A GREAT DEAL FOR THOSE THAT ARE REALLY PUSHING IT AS SIMPLE AS THAT CONSENT THIS IS ONE OF THE TABOOS OF INDIGENOUS PEOPLE YOU'RE BREAKING THIS VERY THIS BOND TO OUR LAND TO OUR HERITAGE THE RHETORIC OF THIS OF THIS ISSUE HAS TAKEN ON THE POSITION THAT PLACES OUR PEOPLE A STEP BEHIND IN DEMANDING ACCOUNTABILITY FROM THE MILITARY ARE PEOPLE BEEN FIGHTING SINCE WORLD WAR II FOR THE RETURN OF OUR LANDS AND THIS HOSPITAL ISSUE HAS LED THE MILITARY TO TAKE THE STANCE THAT THERE IS NO MORE EXCESS LAND TO BE RETURNED SO THINGS ARE SHIFTING IN ORDER TO TRY TO GET THE CONSENT MANUFACTURING THE CONSENT OF THE POPULACE BUT MANY OF US KNOW THAT IT DOESN'T FEEL RIGHT WE NEED TO SEE MORE DETAILS AND AGAIN THIS IS NOT GOING TO STOP BUILDING OF A HOSPITAL WE ALL WANT TO BUILD A NEW HOSPITAL WE NEED TO BUILD A NEW HOSPITAL THERE ARE MANY OTHER OPTIONS WHY DON'T WE LOOK AT THOSE OPTIONS AND IF ANYBODY READS TO THE LEASE YOU'LL FIND THERE ARE MANY RED FLAGS IT IS NOT A GOOD DEAL FOR THE PEOPLE IT ONLY PROTECTS THE OTHER PARTY MORE THAN IT DOES PROTECT THE PEOPLE OF GUAM SO AGAIN IF IT IS SUCH A GOOD DEAL LET US SEE IT CONVINC US THAT'S WHAT THIS BILL DOES WE NEED TO VET IT LIKE WE VET ALL BOND COVENANT COVENANTS ALL BOND BORROWING WHICH COULD BE JEOPARDIZED BY THIS BY THE WAY SO THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER I RISE IN SUPPORT OF THIS OVERRIDE.

**SENATOR SHELTON:** THANK YOU SENATOR PEREZ ON THE OVERRIDE OF VETOED BILL NUMBER 12-37 SENATOR FISHER YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

**SENATOR FISHER:** THANK THANK YOU MADAM CHAIR EARLIER AN EARLIER SPEAKER SAID THAT I GUESS IN HIS OPINION WE NEED TO MOVE WITH URGENCY ON THIS MATTER SOMETHING THAT HAS OFTEN BEEN TOLD TO ME AND I THINK IS TRUE THAT IF WE ACT IN HASTE WE HAVE ALL THE TIME IN THE WORLD TO REPENT SO LET'S NOT

ACT IN HASTE THERE IS A FALSE FEELING OF URGENCY HERE THAT WE NEED TO GET THIS DONE AND WE NEED TO GET THIS DONE RIGHT NOW I WOULD JUST ASK THE MEMBERS HERE ALL FIFTEEN OF WHOM BY THE WAY SUPPORTED THIS BILL WHO THEY BELIEVE CREATED THE URGENCY I DON'T THINK ANYBODY IN THIS CHAMBER CREATED THE URGENCY NO ONE IN THIS CHAMBER LIT THE CANDLE NO ONE IN THIS CHAMBER CREATED THE FUSE THIS HAPPENED ELSEWHERE THIS LEASE WAS NOT SKETCHED OUT ON THE BACK OF A COCKTAIL NAPKIN BETWEEN THE ADMIRAL AND GOVERNOR LOU LEON GUERRERO ONE NIGHT THIS LEASE HAS BEEN PERCOLATING THIS LEASE HAS BEEN MOVING FORWARD IN THE DARK MOVING FORWARD IN THE DARK FOR PROBABLY I WOULD GUESS AT LEAST TWO YEARS AT NO POINT IN MY AWARENESS WAS ANYONE IN THIS CHAMBER INVITED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE DISCUSSIONS AS THIS THING WAS BEING BORN WE HAD NO SAY FOR TWO YEARS IT WAS ENSHROUDED IN FOG AND MYSTERY IT COMES FORWARD AND WE ARE TOLD THAT WE BETTER ACT THE CLOCK IS SHORT THERE IS AN EMERGENCY AND IT IS AN EMERGENCY NOT OF OUR CREATION I DON'T WANT TO DANCE TO THAT PARTICULAR TUNE WHEN I RAN FOR OFFICE I EXPRESSED TO PEOPLE AS I ASKED FOR THEIR VOTE I EXPRESSED TO PEOPLE THAT I WOULD BE RESPONSIBLE AS A SENATOR I EXPRESSED TO PEOPLE THAT I WOULD BE RESPONSIBLE WITH THEIR POCKETBOOK AS A SENATOR AND BASED ON THAT REQUEST FROM ME TO ASSUME THE RESPONSIBILITY AND BASED ON THE GIFT OF THAT RESPONSIBILITY FROM THE PEOPLE OF GUAM TO ME I PROMISED AGAIN THAT I WOULD LOOK AFTER THE PURSE BECAUSE OF THIS FALSE EMERGENCY I AM NOW BEING ASKED TO DISREGARD THE PURSE AND RELY ON A REPRESENTATION OF AN ORGANIZATION THAT DIDN'T THINK IT APPROPRIATE TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WHICH WOULD COST WELL OVER A BILLION DOLLARS WELL OVER A BILLION DOLLARS AND AS ONE OF MY COLLEAGUES OBSERVED WE'LL BE DEAD AND THIS WILL STILL KEEP PERCOLATING WE WILL BE DEAD AND OUR GRANDCHILDREN WILL STILL BE WONDERING WHY THEY ARE PAYING FOR THIS THING I SAY THING BECAUSE WE DON'T EVEN KNOW WHAT IT LOOKS LIKE SOME MEMBERS OF THIS BODY I BELIEVE ARE COMFORTABLE WITH SPENDING A BILLION DOLLARS ON A THING WHICH WE DON'T SEE A THING WHICH WE HAVE NO NO ROLE IN ITS CREATION I DON'T THINK THAT'S APPROPRIATE I INTEND TO KEEP THE PROMISE I MADE TO THE PEOPLE OF GUAM WHEN I SAID I WOULD BE RESPONSIBLE I WILL NOT ABJURE MY RESPONSIBILITY TO LOOK AFTER THE PEOPLE'S PURSE NO ONE HERE IS SAYING WE ARE STANDING IN THE WAY OF A HOSPITAL NO ONE HERE IS SAYING THAT A HOSPITAL SIMILAR TO THIS WON'T ULTIMATELY COME TO FRUITION WHAT WE ARE SAYING IS BEFORE WE PAY THE BILL WE WANT TO SEE IT THAT IS ENTIRELY REASONABLE I KNOW THAT TO BE ENTIRELY REASONABLE BECAUSE FIFTEEN PEOPLE IN THIS LEGISLATURE JUST A FEW WEEKS AGO SUPPORTED THIS BILL FIFTEEN PEOPLE SAID WE WANT THE RIGHT TO LOOK AT LEASES OVER FIVE YEARS OF LAND DEVOLVING FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT ENTIRELY REASONABLE TO DO SO NOW WE'RE IN A SITUATION WHERE PEOPLE ARE ACTUALLY RISING AT LEAST A PERSON ONE OF MY COLLEAGUES HAS RISEN IN OPPOSITION IN OPPOSITION TO A REPRESENTATION THAT THE COLLEAGUE ALSO WOULD PROTECT THE PEOPLE'S PURSE I DON'T KNOW WHY THE WEATHER HAS SHIFTED SO DRAMATICALLY IN THE INTERVENING WEEKS I SEE NO CHANGE IN CIRCUMSTANCE I SEE NO EXTERNAL OR INTERNAL EVENT WHICH WOULD CAUSE SOMEBODY TO CHANGE THEIR MINDS YET HERE WE ARE WHERE PEOPLE ARE DOING JUST THAT WITH NO RATIONAL EXPLANATION FOR IT THERE WAS NO RATIONAL EXPLANATION FOR THE GOVERNOR EVEN TO VETO THIS BILL UNLESS A CHANGE IN POLITICAL PHILOSOPHY HAS ARISEN IN WHICH THE LEGISLATURE IS NO LONGER WELCOME IN THE DISCUSSION OF THE BUDGET AND THE EXPENDITURE OF THE MONEY I DON'T SEE THAT SHIFT IN THE WEATHER I DON'T SEE THAT SHIFT IN POLITICAL PHILOSOPHY I SEE JUST THE OPPOSITE AT THIS TIME OF RECOVERY AT THIS TIME WHEN WE ARE CONSIDERING PAY RAISES AT THIS TIME WHEN WE ARE CONSIDERING ANY NUMBER OF THINGS WHICH ARE DIRECTLY AFFECTING THE BUDGET DIRECTLY AFFECTING THE FINANCIAL HEALTH OF GUAM DIRECTLY AFFECTING THE FINANCIAL HEALTH OF OUR FAMILIES THIS IS NOT THE TIME TO CLOSE OUR EYES AND ASK SOMEONE TO COME IN AND JUST START SCOOPING COINS OUT OF THE BANK VAULT THERE'S NOT AN INFINITE AMOUNT OF MONEY THERE IS A FINITE AMOUNT OF MONEY AND EACH OF US IN THIS CHAMBER HAS A RESPONSIBILITY TO GUARD THAT MONEY NOW MADAM SPEAKER THERE WAS JUST ONE OTHER OR MADAM CHAIR THERE WAS JUST ONE OTHER POINT I WANTED TO BRING UP THIS FOG ENSHROUDED LEASE WAS NOT GIVEN TO US IN FACT MA'AM I ACTUALLY HAD TO ISSUE A FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT REQUEST TO GET THE LEASE A SENATOR NOT JUST ME I DON'T TAKE IT PERSONALLY A SENATOR HAD TO ASK HAD TO DEMAND PURSUANT TO LAW THAT WE RECEIVE THE LEASE THAT IS PUTTING US ON THE HOOK FOR A BILLION DOLLARS WRAP YOUR HEAD AROUND THAT IF WE ARE SO PROUD OF THIS LEASE IF THIS IS SUCH AN EFFICACIOUS AND AND GOOD DEAL FOR THE PEOPLE OF GUAM THEN WHY WASN'T IT TRUMPETED WHAT A SCORE WE HAVE REALLY GOT A GOOD DEAL HERE WE'RE GOING TO GET A HOSPITAL ETC AND SO FORTH WHY WAS IT ENSHROUDED WHY WAS IT KEPT IN THE DARK WHY WERE WE REQUIRED TO INSIST UPON RECEIPT FRANKLY I WAS WORRIED THAT *ADELUP* WOULDN'T WOULDN'T PRODUCE THE LEASE AND IT WOULD FORCE US TO ACTUALLY SUE WELL WE DID RECEIVE A LEASE OF SORTS THE LEASE DOES NOT CONTAIN ANY INFORMATION ABOUT FINANCING THE LEASE CONTAINS NO SPECIFICATIONS ABOUT WHAT IT IS WE ARE BUYING WE DON'T KNOW WHAT THE ASSISTED LIVING FACILITY IS GOING TO CONSIST OF UNDER THE LEASE WE DON'T KNOW WHAT THE HOSPITAL IS GOING TO CONSIST OF UNDER THE LEASE WE DON'T KNOW WHAT ANY OF THE LABORATORIES ARE GOING TO LOOK LIKE UNDER THE LEASE THERE ARE NO SPECIFICATIONS NONE A



SPECIFICATION IS NOTHING MORE THAN A DESCRIPTION OF WHAT IT IS YOU BOUGHT WE DON'T KNOW WE JUST DON'T KNOW HOW ARE WE GOING TO PAY FOR IT WE DON'T KNOW THAT'S NOT IN THE LEASE EITHER IT WOULD BE IT WOULD BE MADNESS TO SIGN THIS LEASE WITHOUT HAVING ADEQUATE OVERSIGHT IT'S AS SIMPLE AS IT IS THAT'S BOTTOM LINE I LOOK FORWARD TO CASTING A VOTE IN FAVOR OF THE OVERRIDE THANK YOU MA'AM.

**SENATOR SHELTON:** THANK YOU SENATOR FISHER ON THE DISCUSSION OF THE OVERRIDE OF THE VETO OF BILL NUMBER 12-37 SENATOR BARNETT YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

**SENATOR BARNETT:** THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER I PRAYED LAST NIGHT I PRAYED THAT GOD WOULD GUIDE MY WORDS WHICH ARE COMING FROM MY HEART TO CHANGE THE MINDS OF MY COLLEAGUES WHO JUST WEEKS AGO VOTED IN SUPPORT OF THIS MEASURE UNANIMOUS SUPPORT OF THIS MEASURE AND DESPITE WHAT'S BEING SAID ON THE FLOOR WHAT'S BEEN SAID IN THE MEDIA I BELIEVE THAT THIS MEASURE HAD UNANIMOUS SUPPORT BECAUSE IT WAS VERY IT WAS A VERY SIMPLE ISSUE IN FRONT OF US AND THE ISSUE WAS NOT TO KILL THE NEW HOSPITAL THE ISSUE WAS NOT TO OPPOSE THE BUILDING OF A NEW HOSPITAL THE ISSUE WAS THAT THIS BODY DO ITS JOB THAT WE READ THE FINE PRINT BECAUSE THE DEVIL'S ALWAYS IN THE DETAILS THAT WE TAKE THIS PROPOSAL AND ALL OF ITS PIECES MANY OF WHICH REMAIN IN THE DARK OUT OF REACH AND WE GO THROUGH IT AND WE FULFILL THE OBLIGATION AND RESPONSIBILITY THAT WE HAVE TO THE PEOPLE OF GUAM NOT TO THE GOVERNOR OF GUAM AND I WANT TO STRIP AWAY ALL THE LAYERS OF THIS ISSUE I DON'T WANT TO TALK ABOUT ANCESTRAL LANDOWNERS I DON'T WANT TO TALK ABOUT THE RETURN OF EXCESS LANDS I JUST WANT TO TALK ABOUT THE ISSUE THAT'S IN FRONT OF US IT'S THE DEAL OF A LIFETIME IT'S A WIN-WIN SITUATION WE MUST ACT NOW WHY WHY MUST WE ACT NOW WHY IS THIS THE DEAL OF A LIFETIME WHY IS THIS A WIN-WIN SITUATION THOSE WHO ASK THOSE QUESTIONS WERE NOT MET WITH DETAILS OR DEBATE THEY WERE MET WITH NAME CALLING THERE WASN'T EVEN A GOOD REASON I BELIEVE THAT THESE THESE THESE THIS MEASURE AND THE OTHER MEASURE THAT WAS OVERRIDDEN I DON'T THINK WE GOT A GOOD REASON AS TO WHY THEY WERE VETOED BECAUSE WHEN YOU LOOK AT WHY WE HAD UNANIMOUS SUPPORT FOR THIS MEASURE I BELIEVE IT'S BECAUSE WE KNEW ON THAT DAY THAT WE CAST THOSE VOTES THAT WE HAVE A RESPONSIBILITY TO VET THIS PROPOSAL TO FIND OUT IF IT TRULY IS THE DEAL OF A LIFETIME TO FIND OUT IF WE TRULY MUST ACT NOW I DON'T THINK THIS IS QUITE THE OPPORTUNITY EVERYONE THINKS IT IS BUT THAT'S JUST ME HOW WOULD WE KNOW MANY OF US TRUST BUT SOME OF US DON'T WANT TO TRUST AND VERIFY AND THAT'S OUR RESPONSIBILITY TO THE PEOPLE AT GUAM I BELIEVE THE COST AND THE RISK OF THIS BILLION DOLLAR HEALTH CARE COMPLEX THAT WE'RE GOING TO BUILD ON LAND THAT ISN'T EVEN OURS ON LAND THAT WE'RE GOING TO BE LEASING ON LAND THAT THE MILITARY CAN TAKE BACK ON A WHIM WITHOUT EVEN PROVIDING A GOOD REASON I BELIEVE THIS PROPOSAL WILL BENEFIT THE MILITARY COMMUNITY MORE THAN IT BENEFITS THE CIVILIAN COMMUNITY I BELIEVE THE PEOPLE OF GUAM WILL SHOULDER THE COST OF THIS BILLION DOLLAR HEALTH CARE COMPLEX PREVIOUS SPEAKERS HAVE SAID THAT WE'RE GOING TO AVAIL OF FEDERAL FUNDS I DIDN'T SEE THAT ANYWHERE I DIDN'T SEE THAT ANYWHERE IN THIS LEASE I DIDN'T SEE IT ANYWHERE AND I DON'T THINK THAT WE'RE WE'RE PARANOID FOR ASKING QUESTIONS MAYBE THE ONES WHO ARE PARANOID OR THE ONES WHO ARE PUSHING OUR BACKS AGAINST THE WALL THE ONES WHO ARE SAYING IF WE DON'T BUILD THIS HOSPITAL HERE AND NOW IF WE DON'T AGREE TO IT IF WE DON'T COMPLY WITH THE ADMIRALS ORDERS THAT HE HAS PUT FORTH THAT HE HAS SPOKEN TO THE MEDIA AND TOLD US HE'S NOT IN THE BUSINESS OF WAITING AROUND I DON'T THINK ASKING WHY IS SAYING NO I THINK IT'S OUR JOB TO ASK QUESTIONS AND I THINK IF THIS ADMINISTRATION AND MY COLLEAGUES IN THIS BODY TRULY BELIEVE THAT THIS IS THE BEST DEAL FOR THE PEOPLE OF GUAM LET'S SEE IT I WANT TO KNOW WHY THIS IS THE DEAL OF A LIFETIME I WANT TO KNOW WHY WE MUST ACT NOW EVEN IF I DON'T THINK WE SHOULD I WANT TO BE COMPELLED BY THE ARGUMENTS OF OF THE GOVERNOR AND HER TEAM I WANT TO I WANT TO HEAR WHY THEY THINK THAT SENATORS AND THE PUBLIC WHO HAVE A RIGHT TO KNOW WHAT'S CONTAINED IN THIS IN THIS LEASE IN THIS PROPOSAL WHY THEY THINK THAT'S RISKY WHAT IS IN THIS PROPOSAL THAT CREATES RISK IF WE'RE TO GO THROUGH IT PAGE BY PAGE I TOO AM MORE THAN WILLING AFTER WE OVERRIDE THIS VETO TO HAVE THE GOVERNOR AND HER TEAM AND EVEN THE ADMIRAL WHO FOUND HIS WAY TO THE LEGISLATURE SEVERAL TIMES THIS YEAR YET CLAIM THAT THE LEGISLATURE NEVER PICKED UP THE PHONE TO ASK HIM ANYTHING ABOUT THIS DEAL WHAT I WOULD SAY WE'VE SEEN HIM ABOUT TEN TIMES THIS YEAR HE HASN'T SAID A WORD WHY WHY DON'T THEY WANT US TO KNOW WHAT'S CONTAINED IN THIS LEASE WHY DON'T THEY WANT US TO DO OUR JOBS THAT'S REALLY WHAT THIS IS ABOUT IT'S ABOUT DOING OUR JOB WHEN WE'RE STANDING ON THE EDGE OF A CLIFF ABOUT TO OBLIGATE THE PEOPLE OF GUAM TO COMMITMENTS THAT WILL LAST WELL BEYOND OUR LIFETIMES POSSIBLY WELL BEYOND THE LIFETIMES OF MY CHILDREN WE HAVE TO DO OUR JOB AND IF WE THROW THE LIGHTS ON THIS PROPOSAL AND WE HEAR FROM THE GOVERNOR AND ALL THE PEOPLE WHO ARE PUSHING THIS PROPOSAL AND THEY TELL US WHY THEY THINK IT'S A GOOD DEAL FOR THE PEOPLE OF GUAM WHY WE MUST ACT NOW WHY IT'S A WIN-WIN SITUATION I THINK THEY HAVE NOTHING TO LOSE WE COULD EVEN END UP APPROVING THIS DEAL AFTER WE OVERRIDE THIS VETO AFTER WE HAVE THE CONVERSATION THAT SHOULD HAVE BEEN HAD MANY TIMES OVER THE LAST COUPLE YEARS I WAS VERY PROUD ON THE DAY

THAT WE UNANIMOUSLY SUPPORTED THIS MEASURE AND THE OTHER MEASURE WE'RE SEEKING TO OVERRIDE I WAS PROUD OF YOU ALL WHEN WE WENT INTO EMERGENCY SESSION AND WE ADDRESSED THE STATE OF OUR SCHOOLS I WAS PROUD WHEN WE WENT INTO SPECIAL SESSION EVEN THOUGH THERE'S A GREAT DIFFERENCE OF OPINIONS WITH THE FIFTEEN OF US I'M PROUD OF THE WORK WE HAVE BEEN ABLE TO ACCOMPLISH IN IN SUCH A SHORT TIME AND I THINK WE CAN DO IT AGAIN IF WE JUST HONOR THE COMMITMENT THAT WE MADE TO THE PEOPLE OF GUAM THE COMMITMENT WE MADE TO MAKE SURE THAT WE MOVE FORWARD NOT WITH URGENCY NOT RUSHING HEAD FIRST INTO THE UNKNOWN BUT MOVING FORWARD WITH CAREFUL CONSIDERATION WITH THOUGHTFULNESS WITH MINDFULNESS I'M COMMITTED IF WE OVERRIDE THIS VETO I'M COMMITTED TO LISTENING TO ALL OF THE DETAILS ABOUT THE PROPOSAL THAT HAVE NOT BEEN SHARED WITH THE PUBLIC WITH THE LEGISLATURE I'M COMMITTED TO LISTENING TO ALL OF IT WITH AN OPEN MIND I'M COMMITTED TO BEING MINDFUL OF THE THE DEADLINE THAT THE ADMIRAL HAS PLACED ON THE PEOPLE OF GUAM THAT'S MY COMMITMENT AND EVERYTHING WE'VE DONE SPOKEN VERY STRONGLY HAVE STATED MY OPINIONS ON THE RECORD BUT I ALWAYS LISTEN TO REASON AND I'M COMPELLING THE GOVERNOR LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR IF WE'RE SUCCESSFUL IN THIS OVERRIDE LET'S HAVE THAT CONVERSATION CONVINCING US AS A PREVIOUS SPEAKER SAID BECAUSE IF IT'S A GREAT DEAL FOR THE PEOPLE OF GUAM THEN WE COULD VERY WELL END UP SUPPORTING IT BUT AGAIN THERE'S THERE'S SO MANY QUESTIONS THAT I THINK DESERVE TO BE ANSWERED WE SAW THIS MORNING THE GUAM MEDICAL ASSOCIATION WROTE A LETTER IN OPPOSITION TO THE SITE OF THE NEW HOSPITAL IN *MANGILAO* A QUOTE FROM THIS LETTER WE NEED A FUNCTIONAL PRACTICAL NEW HOSPITAL NOT A JOINTED PUBLIC HEALTH COMPLEX ALONG WITH PHYSICIAN OFFICES THEY SAY THAT THE THE CONCEPT OF A MEDICAL CITY LIKE WE SEE IN THE PHILIPPINES WON'T WORK HERE ON GUAM AND THAT BUILDING A NEW HOSPITAL ELSEWHERE WOULD PROVIDE GREAT ACCESS TO ALL OF THE PEOPLE OF GUAM AND HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS AND CONTINUE TO ALLOW SHORTER TIME FOR TRANSPORT OF CRITICAL PATIENTS THESE ARE THE DOCTORS THAT WE'RE GOING TO RELY ON TO STAFF THIS HOSPITAL THESE ARE GOING TO BE THE DOCTORS THAT WE'RE GOING TO RELY ON TO MEET THE THE MANY REQUIREMENTS THE MANY CONDITIONS THAT HAVE BEEN HANDED DOWN FROM JOINT REGION MARIANAS THAT WE IN THIS BODY AT LEAST MOST OF US DON'T EVEN KNOW ABOUT SO MANY PEOPLE HAVE QUESTIONS AND WE ALL DESERVE TO HAVE THOSE QUESTIONS ANSWERED BUT FIRST THINGS FIRST NOTHING HAS CHANGED NOTHING HAS CHANGED SINCE THE DAY WE VOTED UNANIMOUSLY TO PASS THIS MEASURE WE ARE IN THE EXACT SAME POSITION WE WERE ON THAT DAY THAT DAY THAT WE RECOGNIZE THAT DAY THAT WE ROSE IN UNISON TO REAFFIRM OUR OBLIGATION OUR RESPONSIBILITY TO THE PEOPLE OF GUAM THAT WE SERVE WE WERE ALL IN AGREEMENT THAT WE WANTED TO KNOW JUST WHAT WE WERE GETTING INTO EVEN IF YOU DISAGREE WITH ME AND I'M SURE MANY OF YOU DO I JUST ASK THAT WE REMEMBER WHY WE'RE HERE VETTING THIS LEASE LOOKING AT THIS PROPOSAL WHAT IT INCLUDES BUT MORE IMPORTANTLY WHAT IT DOESN'T INCLUDE THAT'S EXACTLY WHY THE LEGISLATURE EXISTS THAT'S EXACTLY WHY WE'RE SITTING HERE IN THIS SESSION HALL TODAY IT WOULD BE A DISRESPECT TO THE MANY GREAT LEADERS WHO HAVE COME BEFORE US TO THE LEADERS WHO WALKED OUT ON A MILITARY GOVERNMENT BECAUSE THEY WANTED A CHANGE BECAUSE THEY BELIEVE THAT WE THE PEOPLE OF GUAM WERE GOOD ENOUGH TO MAKE DECISIONS FOR OURSELVES TO MAKE DECISIONS OUTSIDE OF THE INFLUENCE OF THE UNITED STATES MILITARY I PRAY THAT WHEN WE VOTE ON THIS MEASURE THAT YOU VOTE NOT BASED ON PARTY LINES OR PROMISES MADE OR THAT YOU VOTE WITH YOUR CONSCIENCE AND REMEMBER YOUR COMMITMENT THAT WE MADE ON THE CAMPAIGN TRAIL TO THE PEOPLE OF GUAM THAT WE WOULD DO OUR JOB AND WE WOULD TAKE IT SERIOUS THAT WE WOULD MAKE SURE THAT WE ALWAYS KNOW WHAT WE'RE GETTING INTO THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER.

**SENATOR SHELTON:** THANK YOU SENATOR BARNETT SENATOR DUEÑAS YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

**SENATOR DUEÑAS:** *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* MADAM CHAIR IN ORDER TO NOT BE DUPLICATIVE OF A LOT OF THE GREAT POINTS THAT HAVE BEEN MADE BY OUR COLLEAGUES WHO ARE IN SUPPORT OF THIS OVERRIDE AND REALIZING THAT MY GOOD COLLEAGUE WITH THE RETIRING SPEAKER JUST READ EXCERPTS FROM THE TESTIMONY PROVIDED TO US TODAY FROM THE GUAM MEDICAL ASSOCIATION I THINK EVERY WORD OF THIS NEEDS TO BE READ INTO THE RECORD SIMPLY BECAUSE THERE WAS A REPRESENTATION DURING THE PUBLIC HEARING ON THIS LEGISLATION THAT DOCTORS WERE POLLED AND I GUESS THERE WAS SOME DIFFERENCES IN TERMS OF WHAT THE UNDERSTANDING OF WHAT THE DOCTORS ACTUALLY THOUGHT THIS LETTER IS VERY WELL WRITTEN AND I BELIEVE IT WAS CONTEMPLATED SO I'M GOING TO READ THIS INTO THE RECORD MADAM CHAIR THIS LETTER IS ON THE LETTERHEAD ON THE GUAM MEDICAL ASSOCIATION IT'S DATED MARCH 20 2023 IT'S ADDRESSING THE 37TH GUAM LEGISLATURE AND IT IS IN OPPOSITION TO THE PROPOSED SITE OF A NEW HOSPITAL IN *MANGILAO* DEAR HONORABLE SPEAKER THERESE TERLAJE AND FELLOW HONORABLE SENATORS ON BEHALF OF THE GUAM MEDICAL ASSOCIATION WE WRITE IN OPPOSITION AND THAT'S WRITTEN IN CAPS OF THE PROPOSED SITE OF THE NEW MEDICAL CAMPUS IN *MANGILAO* THE GUAM MEMORIAL HOSPITAL AUTHORITY MEDICAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ACRONYM MEC ALREADY STATED PREVIOUSLY THAT THEY SUPPORT THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW HOSPITAL BUT DOES NOT SUPPORT IN CAPS THE PROPOSED SITE IN *MANGILAO* EAGLES

FIELD AND PREFERS THE SITE TO BE INTO MOONING THE MEDICAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE CONSISTS OF ALL THE PROVIDERS TO INCLUDE ALL PROVIDERS EMPLOYED BY THE GUAM MEMORIAL HOSPITAL AND THE PROVIDERS IN THE COMMUNITY WHO HAVE PRIVILEGES AT GMH THE GUAM MEDICAL ASSOCIATION IS THE LARGEST INDEPENDENT PROFESSIONAL HEALTH CARE PROVIDER ORGANIZATION ON GUAM HAVE DISCUSSED AMONG US AND WE FIRMLY AGREE WITH MEC IN THEIR OPPOSITION TO A HOSPITAL-SUGGESTED SITE WE NEED A FUNCTIONAL PRACTICAL NEW HOSPITAL NOT A JOINED PUBLIC HEALTH COMPLEX ALONG WITH PHYSICIAN OFFICES THE MEDICAL PHYSICIANS BUILDING FOR PRIMARY CARE CLINICS IS A CONCEPT IMPLEMENTED BY THE PHILIPPINES HOWEVER THIS CONCEPT DOES NOT WORK IN THE UNITED STATES AND TERRITORIES MAJORITY OF PRIVATE PROVIDERS ALREADY HAVE THEIR OWN PRACTICES IN THE COMMUNITY THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES AND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CENTER HAVE NO INTERACTION WITH GMH IN THE PAST DURING THE PANDEMIC REGARDING DIRECT PATIENT CARE DIRECT PATIENT CARE THEREFORE THE NEW HOSPITAL DOES NOT REQUIRE A LARGE AREA TO BE BUILT ON THERE REALLY ARE NO REASONS TO HAVE A COEXISTENCE OF A NEW HOSPITAL DPHSS AND BEHAVIORAL CENTER IN FACT IT'S BETTER TO HAVE THESE ENTITIES SEPARATE TO DECREASE CONGESTION THE NEW HOSPITAL IN *TAMUNING* WOULD CONTINUE TO PROVIDE GREAT ACCESS TO ALL THE PEOPLE OF GUAM AND HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS AND CONTINUE TO ALLOW SHORTER TIME FOR TRANSPORT OF CRITICAL PATIENTS FROM PRIVATE CLINICS TO THE HOSPITAL TRANSFERRING PATIENTS TO A HIGHER LEVEL OF CARE FROM CLINICS TO THE HOSPITAL IS CRUCIAL AND SHOULD BE DONE IN MINIMAL TIME THE TWO LARGE PRIVATE PRACTICES FHP AND SDA AND MAJORITY OF THE PRIVATE CLINICS ESPECIALLY OBSTRUCTED CARE ARE LOCATED IN *TAMUNING* DOES EVERY MINUTE OF THE TRANSFER MATTER TO THE PATIENTS AND THEIR FAMILIES ABSOLUTELY FURTHERMORE MAJORITY OF PHYSICIANS RESIDE IN *TAMUNING* AND THEY WILL NOT BE ABLE TO MAKE THE SUGGESTED HOSPITAL SITE OUTSIDE OF THEIR CLINIC AND RESIDENCE AREA THE NEW HOSPITAL WILL NOT BE ABLE TO FULLY SELF-STAT BE FULLY SELF-STAFFED THEY WILL STILL RELY ON COMMUNITY PHYSICIANS FOR ADMISSIONS AND CARE OF PATIENTS WITHIN THE HOSPITAL IN ADDITION BUILDING A BIGGER HOSPITAL DOES NOT MEAN AN INCREASE IN BED CAPACITY FOR DIRECT PATIENT CARE THE SHORTAGE OF BED CAPACITY IN GUAM HAS ALWAYS BEEN DUE TO A SHORTAGE OF SUPPORT STAFF MAINLY THE NURSING STAFF AND NOT A SHORTAGE OF PHYSICAL BED OR ROOM LARGE BED CAPACITY IN THE NEW HOSPITAL WILL RESULT IN AN INCREASED NUMBER OF EMPTY ROOMS DUE TO NO SUPPORT STAFF OUR NURSING PROGRAM AT THE UNIVERSITY OF GUAM IS UNABLE TO SUPPORT THE NEEDS OF OUR NEW HOSPITAL AND FURTHERMORE A HOSPITAL NEAR UOG DOES NOT MAKE IT MORE ACCESSIBLE AND IT WOULD NOT INCREASE THE QUALITY OF CARE FOR OUR RESIDENTS YOU WILL FACE AN EVEN GREATER SHORTAGE OF MEDICAL STAFF IF BUILT AT THAT DISTANCE SITE IT IS WELL KNOWN THAT GUAM HAS AL HAS BEEN ALWAYS CRITICALLY SHORT ON SPECIALTY CARE REQUIREMENT OF SPECIALTY CARE AND PRIMARY CARE FOR AN ISLAND OF HUNDRED SIXTY THOUSAND IN POPULATION IS THE BIGGEST CHALLENGE SPECIALISTS SUCH AS NEUROSURGEON CARDIAC THORACIC SURGEON NEONATOLOGISTS CARDIOVASCULAR SURGEON AND OTHER SPECIALISTS NEED A LARGER POPULATION BASE FOR THEM TO PRACTICE IN ORDER FOR THEM TO KEEP UP WITH THEIR SKILLS WOMEN FORTY OR OLDER HAVE MINIMAL OR NO GYNECOLOGICAL CARE FOR SIMPLE WORKUPS SUCH AS CANCER SCREENING AND FACES CHALLENGES IN QUALIFIED PHYSICIANS WITH NO AVAILABLE SURGICAL INTERVENTION ESPECIALLY WHEN THEY ARE DIAGNOSED WITH GYNECOLOGICAL CANCER THE IDEA OF BUILDING A STATE-OF-THE-ART HOSPITAL TO RECRUIT SPECIALIST TO QUAM IS UNREALISTIC IT IS NOT LIKE THE FIELD OF DREAMS WHERE IF YOU BUILD IT THEY WILL COME A PERFECT EXAMPLE LOOK AT OUR OWN PRIVATE HOSPITAL GRMC IT IS FULLY NATIONALLY CERTIFIED HOSPITAL BY JOINT COMMISSION AND IS A STATE-OF-THE-ART HOSPITAL BUT GRMC HAS PROBLEMS RECRUITING AND RETAINING SPECIALISTS GRMC WILL PAY HIGHER SALARY THAN THE NATIONAL AVERAGE INCLUDING GMH FOR THEIR SPECIALIST BUT THEY STILL HAVE GREAT DIFFICULTIES ON RECRUITMENT DOES GMH HAVE THE BETTER ABILITY TO RECRUIT SPECIALISTS THAN GRMC ABSOLUTELY NOT AND BUILDING A NEW HOSPITAL AT THE DISTANCE SITE WILL HINDER ACCESS TO CARE FOR PATIENTS SOME SHOULD ASK QUESTIONS IS THE REAL COST STILL ONE BILLION DOLLARS AND I'LL MAKE A STATEMENT ON THAT RIGHT HERE MADAM CHAIR WHEN WE WERE IN THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE LAST YEAR APPROVING FUNDING FOR THE NEW HOSPITAL PROPOSAL THE GEDA DIRECTOR AND ALL OF THE DIRECTORS THAT WERE HERE THE ONE BILLION DOLLARS AT THE TIME WAS BARELY ENOUGH FOR THE HOSPITAL PROPOSAL AND THEY HAD STATED THAT THE ACCELERATION COSTS AND THE ADDITIONAL COST AND THIS WAS YOU KNOW YEARS AGO EVEN WHEN THE ARMY CORPS HAD PUT IN THE SEVEN HUNDRED FORTY MILLION DOLLAR REPLACEMENT COST WOULD IT ESCALATE BY AT LEAST FORTY PERCENT THERE'S NO QUESTION MADAM CHAIR THE REAL PRICE TAG FOR THIS COMPLEX AS PROPOSED IS WELL OVER TWO BILLION DOLLARS WE KNOW IT WAS ESTIMATED THAT IT WAS 1 BILLION ON THE PROPOSED MEDICAL CAMPUS SEVERAL YEARS AGO TODAY THAT FIGURE MUST HAVE EXPONENTIALLY GROWN SO THE COST FOR MEDICAL CAMPUS TO INCLUDE THE PUBLIC HEALTH AND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH IS SO LARGE THAT IS NOT BEING REALISTIC TO THE REAL NEEDS OR THE HEALTH CARE PRIORITIES FOR THE PEOPLE OF GUAM THE PROPOSED CURRENCY WITHOUT ADDRESSING ALL THESE CONCERNS MUST BE ON THE MIND OF ANY RESPONSIBLE LEADER OR LEADERS AND THE PEOPLE OF GUAM FINALLY BEFORE EVEN ATTEMPTING TO BUILD A NEW HOSPITAL

PLEASE REALIZE THAT THE CURRENT GMH IS HALF THE AGE OF OTHER HOSPITALS IN OTHER ISLAND COMMUNITIES AND YET IT IS THE STATE OF DISREPAIR DUE TO THE LACK OF PROPER MAINTENANCE AND CARE COMPARED TO OTHER HOSPITALS THAT ARE OVER ONE HUNDRED YEARS OLD AND STILL FUNCTIONAL AND NATIONALLY ACCREDITED AND SOME EVEN APPEAR AS NEW SO IF THE NEW GMH HOSPITAL IS GOING TO BE BUILT WITH THE SAME MENTALITY OF HOW IT'S MANAGED AND MAINTAINED IT WON'T LAST LONG AND YOU WILL HAVE WASTED BILLIONS OF DOLLARS WE HOPE THAT YOU TAKE THESE POINTS AT HEART AND VOTE APPROPRIATELY FOR OUR PEOPLE AND OUR FUTURE GENERATION SINCERELY PRAM SULLIVAN GMA EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND DR. HOA NGUYEN MD GMA ACTING PRESIDENT MADAM CHAIR THIS TESTIMONY DEMONSTRATES EXACTLY WHY WE NEED TO SCRUTINIZE THIS LEASE PROPOSAL MADAM CHAIR THERE HAVE BEEN PROPOSALS IN THIS LEGISLATURE AND MANY LEGISLATURES PRIOR TO THIS LEGISLATURE PUT IN A FIVE-YEAR REQUIREMENT FOR LEASES ON GOVERNMENT PROPERTY AND ENTITIES WHEN THE GOVERNMENT OF GUAM HAVING TO JUSTIFY WHY GOING BEYOND FIVE YEARS THAT WERE FAR LESS VOLUMINOUS THAN THIS PROPOSAL YET WE STAND HERE WE STAND HERE BECAUSE OF NOT A SELF-IMPOSED DEADLINE AND THIS BILL PRIMARILY FOR THAT REASON THE FUNDAMENTAL REASON THE TRUE FUNDAMENTAL REASON IS TO MAKE SURE THAT FEDERAL CONTRACTS HERE AND GOING FORWARD ON FEDERAL EXCESS LANDS WHICH IS UNPRECEDENTED BE SCRUTINIZED JUST LIKE WE WILL SCRUTINIZE EVERY OTHER PIECE OF LEGISLATION ON OUR OWN GOVERNMENT LAND WHY WOULD WE CHANGE THAT PROCESS IF WE DIDN'T CHANGE IT IN LAW FOR OURSELVES THIS DEADLINE HAS NOT BEEN BROUGHT ON TO GUAM BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM AND AS MY GOOD FRIEND SENATOR TOM FISHER SAID THIS THIS DEADLINE IS A FALSE DEADLINE FROM A LOT OF OUR PERSPECTIVES THIS WHOLE THING SEEMED SEEMS TO BE TWO FOLD IT SEEMS TO BE PUSHING THIS DOWN THE PEOPLE OF GUAM'S THROAT WITHOUT KNOWING ANY OF THE DETAILS AND FOR MANY THAT I'VE SPOKEN TO SEEMS TO BE A FOLLOW THE MONEY ISSUE WE ALL KNOW THAN WHEN EVEN WHEN THERE'S TENS AND HUNDREDS OF MILLIONS OF DOLLARS BEING DISCUSSED THERE'S A FOLLOW THE MONEY COMPONENT THIS IS A TWELVE BILLION PLUS DOLLAR PROPOSAL FOLLOW THE MONEY MADAM CHAIR ONE THING THAT'S REALLY PERPLEXING TO ME IS IT REALLY TRUE THAT OUR GOOD FEDERAL GOVERNMENT THAT I'VE ALWAYS SUPPORTED IN TERMS OF THE BUILD UP AND OTHER GOOD THINGS THAT HAVE HAPPENED ON GUAM WE'VE HAD OUR FITS AND START THERE'S BEEN THINGS THAT HAVE COST US ANGUISH BUT I'VE ALWAYS BEEN A TRUE PATRIOT AND A TRUE SUPPORTER IS THIS REALLY CONDITIONAL ON THE ISSUE OF A FEDERAL LEASE MADAM CHAIR JUST UP THE STREET THERE'S A BEAUTIFUL BUILDING A NAVAL HOSPITAL THAT USED TO BE A HUNDRED AND FIFTY BEDS AND I'VE HAD TO GO SEE LOVED ONES UP THERE WHEN IT WAS THE OLD HOSPITAL AND THAT'S ONE EXAMPLE OF A BUILDING THAT WAS OVER SIXTY YEARS OLD THAT LOOKED BRAND NEW THE FLOORS WERE SHINY THE ROOMS WERE CLEAN BUT ON EVERY FLOOR YOU WENT TO THERE YOU'RE LUCKY IF YOU SAW FIVE PATIENTS BECAUSE THAT WAS A DIFFERENT TIME AND SO WHEN THEY BUILT THE NEW HOSPITAL IT'S BARELY FIFTY BEDS NOW AS THE ADMIRAL SAYS DURING THAT TIME THEY MUST NOT HAVE SEEN THAT THE INDO-PACIFIC WAS GOING TO BECOME SO AGITATED SO WHOSE PROBLEM ARE WE SOLVING AND IF WE'RE GOING TO SOLVE A PROBLEM THAT WE ALREADY KNOW THAT THE MILITARY HAS AND WE'RE GOING TO DO IT IN CONJUNCTION WHY DOES IT HAVE TO BE UNDER A FEDERAL LEASE WHY COULDN'T IT BE ON ANOTHER PROPERTY THE OKA POINT THAT'S CONTEMPLATED A LOT OF TIMES AND IF THAT HAD A HELI PAD ON IT IS ACTUALLY CLOSER AND YOU DON'T HAVE TO FLY OVER LAND OR OVER A MISSILE SITE TO LAND A HELICOPTER ON A PAD FOR MASS CASUALTIES THE OLD HOSPITAL CAN BE REPURPOSED SO THAT WE HAVE EVEN A REDUNDANT SYSTEM SO MANY THINGS CAN BE DONE WE CAN'T TALK ABOUT IT THOUGH MADAM CHAIR BECAUSE WE HAVE TO ACT NOW THE ONLY WAY THIS MAKES SENSE THE ONLY LOGICAL CONCLUSION THAT YOU HAVE TO COME TO IN THIS SITUATION IS THOSE WHO HAVE MADE THESE DECISIONS DON'T WANT TO TALK ABOUT IT THEY WANT TO IMPOSE DEADLINES OUR GOVERNOR SAID THIS IS WHAT I'M GOING TO DO AND BE DAMNED IF IT ISN'T DONE I FOR ONE WILL NOT VOTE FOR THAT KIND OF COERCION I WILL VOTE FOR THIS OVER RIGHTS *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* MADAM CHAIR.

**SENATOR SHELTON:** THANK YOU SENATOR DUEÑAS ON THE OVERRIDE OF V OF THE VETO OF BILL NUMBER 12-37 ANY SENATOR WISHING TO DISCUSS SENATOR LUJAN YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

**SENATOR LUJAN:** THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER MADAM SPEAKER TALKED ABOUT ABOUT A WIN-WIN SITUATION WELL YOU KNOW THIS THIS THIS BILL THAT I'M LOOKING FORWARD TO VOTING AND OVERRIDING THIS VETO AS I READ WHAT WAS LEAKED TO US AGAIN WITHOUT MORE INFORMATION THAT IS NEEDED FOR ONE FOR A BODY TO MAKE GOOD DECISIONS FOR THE FUTURE OF GUAM THESE LEASE REMINDS ME OF WHAT WHAT WE HAVE READ WHAT I HAVE READ THIS LEASE REMINDS ME AND MAKES ME FEEL LIKE WE HAVE A PREDATOR IN THE NEIGHBOR AND THEY NEVER MISS THE OPPORTUNITY TO TO PILLAGE US YOU TALK ABOUT A PARTNERSHIP A WIN-WIN SITUATION HOW I WISH THAT WHEN I READ THE WHAT WAS LEAKED TO US THAT WAS REALLY A WIN-WIN SITUATION I WAS LOOKING FOR THAT I WAS EVEN LOOKING AT THE VERY BOTTOM MAYBE DISCLAIMERS AND ALL THAT AND DECIDE MAYBE WRITTEN IN INVISIBLE INK OR SOMETHING LIKE THAT BUT NOTHING NOTHING EXISTED IN THE WIN-WIN SITUATION WITH THAT I WAS LOOKING FOR THE *INAFAMAOLEK* FAMILY THE GOOD NEIGHBOR SITUATION I WAS LOOKING FOR ALL THAT BECAUSE YOU KNOW WE QUOTE THAT

ALL THE TIME ADMIRAL NICHOLSON QUOTES THAT ALL THE TIME *INAFAMAOLEK* I WAS LOOKING FOR THAT BECAUSE THAT'S WHAT GOOD NEIGHBORS DO AND IF THEY YOU KNOW IF THEY'RE GOING TO GET INTO A LEASE AGREEMENT AND YOU KNOW A GOOD GOOD NEIGHBOR WIN-WIN SITUATION YEAH YOU WOULD SEE THAT THAT WOULD BE EVEN THE HEADING WIN-WIN BECAUSE THIS LEASE BASICALLY WHEN YOU LOOK AT IT YOU KNOW A GOOD NEIGHBOR A GOOD NEIGHBOR WILL HELP US BUILD THE HOSPITAL IN A WAY THAT BENEFITS BOTH OF US WE BUILT A HOSPITAL THAT WE CAN BOTH USE WHEN WE NEED IT DURING PEACE TIME WE USE IT DURING NATIONAL EMERGENCIES WE UNDERSTAND WE'LL STILL BE USING IT BUT YOU KNOW I MEAN WE UNDERSTAND THE NATIONAL EMERGENCY SITUATION THAT'S THE ISLAND AWAY THAT'S THE *INAFAMAOLEK* WAY TO LOOK FOR WAYS TO MAKE THINGS GOOD FOR BOTH SIDES WHAT I READ IF I UNDERSTOOD WHAT I READ I ALMOST COULDN'T BELIEVE WHAT I WAS READING THIS LEAVES BASICALLY BASICALLY SAID IT IS TO GRIND US TO THE GROUND WITH TERMS THAT THEY KNOW WILL PUT US IN FOREVER DISADVANTAGE AND IN DEBT FOR LAND THAT WAS TAKEN UNDER QUESTIONABLE CIRCUMSTANCES IN THE FIRST PLACE YOU KNOW JUST RECENTLY A BILL WAS PASSING CONGRESS HOW HARD COULD IT BE FOR THE MILITARY A NAVY IN THIS SENSE TO ACCESS SOME OF THE TRILLIONS OF DOLLARS IN INFRASTRUCTURE SPENDING FOR OUR NATION THAT HE HAS ALREADY BUDGETED I DIDN'T SEE THAT IT'S NOT THE *INAFAMAOLEK* WAY WE ARE THE FRONT LINE AMERICAN COMMUNITY IN THE WESTERN PACIFIC MADAM SPEAKER SOME OF THE NATION'S TOP GENERALS ARE FORECASTING WAR IN CHINA THE NEXT FEW YEARS WELL WE ALL HOPE AND PRAY THAT SUCH WAR DOES NOT HAPPEN WE AS A COUNTRY ESPECIALLY OUR ISLAND COMMUNITY MUST BE PREPARED WHEN OR IF IT COMES AND THEN *INAFAMAOLEK* WAY AND ALL THE MISSILE DEFENSE SYSTEMS THE NINETEEN SITES THAT ARE GOING TO BE HERE ON TOP OF THAT AGENDA SHOULD BE A HOSPITAL AS WELL THAT THAT AGAIN NOT THE PILLAGE US AND THIS HOSPITAL SHOULD BE A PART OF THAT EFFORT TO PREPARE OURSELVES BUT IT CANNOT BE BUILT IF ADMIRAL NICHOLSON AND OTHERS THROUGH A SLEIGHT OF HAND WANTS TO PUT THE ENTIRE FINANCIAL BURDEN OF DOING SO ON OUR SHOULDERS AND THEN ADD MORE TO THAT BURDEN BY IMPOSING LAND CAUSE AS WELL AS THE LAND THAT PROCURED IN QUESTIONABLE CIRCUMSTANCES IN THE FIRST PLACE OVER THE PAST FEW DECADES MADAM SPEAKER WE HAVE CALLED THE NAVY TO BE A GOOD NEIGHBOR AND SOMETIMES THEY HAVE BEEN SOMETIMES THEY HAVE NOT BEEN THIS PROPOSED LEADS AS ONE OF THOSE INSTANCES WHERE THEY'RE ACTING LIKE A PREDATORY COLONIAL MASTER RATHER THAN OUR NAVY AND ON OUR MILITARY AND I SUGGEST TO ADMIRAL NICHOLSON DUDE YOU MUST ADJUST THIS POOR BEHAVIOR AND ATTITUDE AND DO SO IMMEDIATELY YOU KNOW THIS IS NOT ABOUT NOT WANTING TO BUILD A HOSPITAL WE HAVE A CURRENT SITE UP THERE IN OKA OKA POINT WHERE THE OLD GMH WAS AT THE CURRENT SITE WHERE THE HOSPITAL IS AT AS WELL I'VE ALWAYS BEEN AN ADVOCATE FOR A PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP WITH GRMC THE INFRASTRUCTURE IS ALREADY THERE SO THIS IS NOT ABOUT NOT ALL OF US THERE'S NOT ONE PERSON IN THIS ROOM NOT ONE OF FIFTEEN SENATORS HERE THAT WOULD SAY THEY'RE NOT IN AGREEMENT OF OF HAVING A NEW HOSPITAL IS THIS LEASE AGAIN I WAS LOOKING FOR GOOD ASPECTS OF THIS I WAS LOOKING FOR THE WIN-WIN SITUATION AND THIS THIS THIS LEASE I WAS LOOKING AT HOW IT COULD BENEFIT BOTH SIDES THE CIVILIAN AND MILITARY SITE I I COULDN'T FIND IT IF IT AND IF A PROVISION EXISTS HASN'T BEEN FORWARDED TO US WE HAVEN'T SEEN IT YOU KNOW THE ONE THING I WOULD LIKE TO BECAUSE AGAIN AS WE'VE BEEN LABELED NOT WANTING THE HOSPITAL OR ANTI-MILITARY OR ANTI THIS HOW WE'RE SAYING REALLY WHEN WE'RE ASKING FOR THE DETAILS AND FROM WHAT WE'VE SEEN THIS DOESN'T PROTECT THIS IT DOES NOTHING GOOD FOR THE PEOPLE OF GUAM WE HAVE THE DOCTOR'S LETTERS HERE THE GUAM MEDICAL WAS IT GUAM MEDICAL ASSOCIATION LETTER NOT AGREEING WITH A SITE YOU KNOW AND AND AND IF THIS WERE SUCH A GREAT THING OKAY IF THIS WAS SUCH A GREAT THING THIS LEAVES WAS SUCH A GREAT THING FOR THE PEOPLE OF GUAM I JUST WANT TO ASK THIS ONE QUESTION IF THE GOVERNOR CONSIDERED THIS SCENARIO IF THIS LEASE WERE BETWEEN THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AND THE BANK OF GUAM IF YOU WERE STILL PRESIDENT AND THE LEASE IS BETWEEN THE FEDS AND BANK OF GUAM WILL YOU STILL SIGN THIS LEASE WITH THESE PROVISIONS YOUR BOARD OF DIRECTORS WANT YOU TO DO SO YOUR STOCKHOLDERS WANT YOU TO DO SO THESE PROVISIONS EXISTS I DON'T THINK SO AS A MATTER OF FACT I KNOW SO IT WOULDN'T HAPPEN AGAIN MADAM SPEAKER I RISE IN FULL SUPPORT OF THE OVERRIDE OF THIS BILL AGAIN I'VE LOOKED AND THEIR PROVISIONS OUT THERE THAT REALLY MADE IT A WIN-WIN SITUATION MAYBE I MISSED THAT PARAGRAPH MAYBE IT'S IN THE MISSING ATTACHMENTS BUT IF IT'S SUCH A GOOD THING IT WOULD HAVE IT IN FRONT OF US WITH ALL THESE GOOD THINGS IF THERE'S SUCH A GOOD THINGS WE WOULD IF IT'S SUCH A GOOD THING WE WOULDN'T HAVE THIS LETTER FROM THE GUAM MEDICAL ASSOCIATION SAYING NO IF IT IS TRULY A GOOD THING AND A WIN-WIN SITUATION WHY IS IT ALL IN OUR SHOULDERS WHY IS IT ONLY CAN THE PEOPLE OF GUAM ON OUR SHOULDERS AGAIN A GOOD NEIGHBOR WOULDN'T DO THAT REALLY ADMIRAL NICHOLSON THIS IS A REALLY GOOD THING THIS IS THE *INAFAMAOLEK* THAT YOU TALK ABOUT I THINK IT'S MORE *FA'MAOLEK* MYSELF TAKE CARE OF YOUR TAKE CARE OF YOURSELF RATHER THAN US SO WITH THAT MADAM SPEAKER I RISE IN FULL SUPPORT AGAIN OF THE THE OVERRIDE OF THIS BILL AND I ENCOURAGE MY COLLEAGUES TO VOTE FOR THE OVERRIDE AS WELL THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER.

**SENATOR SHELTON:** THANK YOU SENATOR LUJAN ON THE VETO OVERRIDE OF BILL NUMBER 12-37 SENATOR BROWN YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

**SENATOR BROWN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH MADAM SPEAKER YOU KNOW ON A VERY SHORT TIME WE'RE GOING TO BE SITTING GOING THROUGH THE BUDGET FOR THIS UPCOMING FISCAL YEAR WE'RE GOING TO BE HAVING PUBLIC HEARINGS WE'RE GOING TO HAVE DEPARTMENTS COME DOWN AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC COME DOWN AND PROVIDE TESTIMONY WITH REGARDS TO HOW WE SHOULD SPEND WHAT IS NOW CLOSE TO A BILLION DOLLARS IT'LL BE A LITTLE MORE NOW THAT WE'VE ADDED ON THIS LAST WEEK ADDITIONAL FIFTY MILLION TO THE BUDGET AND YOU KNOW THAT'S THE PROCESS IT'S ENSURING PUBLICLY THAT THE PEOPLE OF GUAM KNOW HOW THEIR MONEY IS BEING SPENT BECAUSE WE'RE ALWAYS REMINDED IT IS THEIR MONEY WE EXIST HERE BY THEIR GRACE BY THEIR VOTE BY THEIR DECISION THAT THOSE OF US THAT ARE HERE AT THIS MOMENT IN TIME ARE HERE TO REPRESENT THEIR INTERESTS THAT'S WHY WE GO OUT THERE YOU KNOW EVERY OTHER YEAR YOU KNOW *MAÑE'LU-HU YAN MANAÑAI-HU TĀOTĀO GUAM* GUAM WE ASK FOR THEIR SUPPORT THEIR TRUST THEIR CONSIDERATION THEIR VOTE CAN YOU JUST PLEASE SPARE ME ONE VOTE BECAUSE I'M HERE TO REPRESENT YOU I'M HERE TO REPRESENT YOUR INTEREST I'M HERE TO PROTECT YOU AND THEN WHEN WE GET IN OFFICE SOMETIMES WE FIND THAT'S NOT THE REALITY AND SOMETIMES PEOPLE DECIDE AFTER A WHILE AND SOMETIMES VERY QUICKLY THAT MAYBE PERHAPS WE'RE NOT WHO SHOULD REPRESENT THEM OR WE'RE NOT REPRESENTING THEM WELL IT'S UNIMAGINABLE MADAM SPEAKER THAT WE'RE HERE TODAY EVEN DEBATING THIS BILL YOU KNOW I AS I MENTIONED I'VE SAID THAT BEFORE AND I'M GOING TO SAY IT AGAIN I DON'T KNOW IF WE'RE PRODUCTS OF OUR COLONIAL HISTORY WHEN YOU SEE THINGS LIKE THIS HAPPEN WHAT ARE WE REALLY DOING HERE ARE WE GOING TO BUILD A HOSPITAL FOR THE PEOPLE OF GUAM ARE WE HOW DO ARE WE GOING TO ADDRESS THE ISSUE OF THE LAND TAKINGS AND THE FACT THAT YOU KNOW OUR PEOPLE HAVE HAD THEIR LAND TAKEN OUT OF ALL THE PLACES ON THIS ENTIRE ISLAND THAT WE COULD CITE THIS HOSPITAL WE WANT TO CITE IT ON PROPERTY THAT WAS TAKEN FROM OUR PEOPLE AND DEAL WITH THAT HISTORY AND THAT CONTROVERSY WHICH FOR MANY OF OUR PEOPLE IS STILL ONE THAT IS VERY OFFENSIVE EVEN IF YOUR LAND WAS NOT TAKEN JUST THE FACT THAT THIS HAPPENED YOU KNOW IT'S ONE OF THOSE UNFORTUNATE THINGS IN OUR HISTORY THAT ARE NOT PLEASANT TO LOOK BACK AT BECAUSE SO MUCH OF THE LAND ON GUAM WAS TAKEN BY THE MILITARY AFTER THE WAR AND CERTAINLY UNDERSTANDABLE OUR PEOPLE WERE GRATEFUL I'M SURE MY GRANDPARENTS AND FAMILY MEMBERS WERE BUT THE FACT THAT THIS BECOMES PART OF THE DISCUSSION OF CONSTRUCTING A NEW HOSPITAL FOR THE FUTURE OF OUR PEOPLE IS DISTURBING BECAUSE SOMEBODY ELSE IS MAKING THE DECISION THAT THE HOSPITAL HAS TO BE CITED AT *LALO* NOW THE OTHER THING THAT GETS THROWN IN THE POT IS NOW WE'RE GOING TO PARTNER WITH THE MILITARY TO BUILD A NEW HOSPITAL WHAT ARE THE DETAILS OF THAT WHAT IS THE COST TO THE TAXPAYERS OF GUAM WITH REGARDS TO THAT OR IS THE MILITARY GOING TO CONTRIBUTE AND IS IT IN THE BEST INTEREST OF OUR CIVILIAN COMMUNITY TO HAVE THIS PARTNERSHIP WITH THE US MILITARY FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A HOSPITAL WHERE ARE THE PRIORITIES GOING TO BE ALREADY OUR PEOPLE ARE CONCERNED ABOUT THE QUALITY OF HEALTH CARE THAT THEY RECEIVE ON GUAM FOR THEMSELVES AND THEIR FAMILIES WE'VE HEARD THE JOKES OVER THE YEARS ABOUT THE GUAM MEMORIAL HOSPITAL BUT I'LL TELL YOU MANY OF OUR PEOPLE HAVE BEEN BORN THERE AND MANY OF OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS HAVE DIED THERE NOT IN A NEGATIVE WAY SOME ARGUE BECAUSE OH THEY DIDN'T GET GOOD CARE BUT OTHERS JUST IN THE COURSE OF LIFE IT WAS THEIR TIME BECAUSE OF AGE AND ILLNESS AND WHILE WE LIKE TO THINK MAYBE YOU KNOW IF ANYTHING SERIOUS HAPPENED WE'RE GOING TO GO OFF ISLAND WELL SOMETIMES GOD DOESN'T GIVE US THAT TIME SOMETIMES WHAT HAPPENS IS INSTANTANEOUS AND YOU DON'T HAVE THAT OPTION BUT OUR FOCUS HAS ALWAYS BEEN HOW DO WE IMPROVE WHERE WHERE WE ARE WITH OUR OWN HOSPITAL WITH OUR GMH HOW DO WE MAKE IT BETTER HOW DO WE MAKE IT SO WE CAN PROVIDE BASIC HEALTH CARE TO OUR PEOPLE THERE'S THE CHALLENGE THERE'S WHAT SHOULD BE THE FOCUS ESPECIALLY IF WE'RE LOOKING TO THE FUTURE TO WANT TO SEE HOW CAN WE IMPROVE UPON THAT BUT WE SHOULD BE MAKING THOSE DECISIONS THE PEOPLE OF GUAM SHOULD BE INVOLVED IN MAKING THOSE DECISIONS ESPECIALLY WHEN THE EXPECTATION IS THAT THEY ULTIMATELY ARE GOING TO PAY FOR IT WHATEVER FEDERAL MONEY THE GOVERNOR'S SETTING ASIDE IF WE'RE GOING TO GO ON ESTIMATES AS A DROP IN THE BUCKET SO HOW'S THE REST OF IT GOING TO GET PAID AND WHY IS THAT THE PRIORITY AND RIGHT NOW THE EXISTING INFRASTRUCTURE AT GMH IS NEED OF IMPROVEMENT GOODNESS WE FOUND RECENTLY THEIR CYBER SYSTEM IS SOMETHING THAT HAS NEEDED SOME FOCUS AND ATTENTION CERTAINLY A LOT OF MONEY COULD HAVE BEEN THROWN TO THAT TO AVOID THAT PARTICULAR ISSUE WE CAN'T DO WHAT WE NEED NOW FOR OUR PEOPLE WITH REGARDS TO OUR EXISTING HEALTH CARE SYSTEM BUT INSTEAD OF FOCUSING ON HOW WE'RE GOING TO ADDRESS THAT WE'RE DISTRACTED WITH ALL THESE OTHER ISSUES BECAUSE THE GOVERNOR DECIDED THAT SHE'S GOING TO ENTER INTO THIS ARRANGEMENT WITH THE MILITARY AND AFTER THE FACT WE'RE SOMEHOW JUST SUPPOSED TO RIDE ALONG THAT'S NOT HOW A DEMOCRACY OPERATES AND THE ADMIRAL YOU KNOW I ENJOYED MY INTERACTIONS WITH THE ADMIRAL IT'S VERY PLEASANT I MEAN JUST A COUPLE OF WEEKS AGO WE WERE IN TOUR OF THE NEW CAMP BLAZ WITH HIM BUT I DID HEAR HIS INTERVIEW THE DAY AFTER THE STATE OF THE ISLAND WHERE HE SAID

WELL NOBODY NO SENATOR CALLED HIM WELL I THINK WE WOULD HAVE CALLED HAD WE KNOWN THESE DISCUSSIONS WERE GOING ON BUT THAT'S NOT OUR POSITION TO HAVE TO CALL HIM WE'RE NOT HE'S NOT IN CHARGE OF THE REST OF GUAM HE'S IN CHARGE FOR RUNNING HIS OPERATIONS ON THE BASE'S HERE AND THAT'S HIS JURISDICTION AND THAT'S YOU KNOW THAT'S HIS PLACE TO ADDRESS AS HE SHOULD BUT WHEN IT INVOLVES OUR PEOPLE OUR RESOURCES OUR PEOPLE'S FUTURE THEN BY ALL MEANS IT SHOULD BE US THAT HAVE DIRECT ENGAGEMENT IN THAT PROCESS AND WE DON'T NEED TO CALL ANYBODY ELSE FOR THAT WE NEED TO HAVE THAT DISCUSSION RIGHT HERE IN THE LIGHT OF DAY IN THE PEOPLE'S HOUSE ALL THAT WILL HAPPEN MY DEAR COLLEAGUES IF WE DO NOT STAND UP AS A BODY TO VOTE FOR THIS OVERRIDE IS THIS ISSUE WILL GET MORE COMPLICATED BECAUSE I DON'T KNOW HOW THE GOVERNOR PLANS ON PAYING FOR THE FULL COST OF THIS FACILITY I REALLY DON'T KNOW ARE ALL OF A SUDDEN WE'RE GOING TO GET CALLS TO HEY WE NEED TO FUND THIS HEY YOU NEED TO PROVE THIS IN THE BUDGET HEY YOU NEED TO DO THIS HEY YOU NEED TO DO THAT JUMP SKIP HOW HIGH SHALL WE JUMP IF WE DO NOT ADDRESS OUR MOST FUNDAMENTAL BASIC RESPONSIBILITIES WE HAVE NO BUSINESS BEING HERE ABSOLUTELY NO BUSINESS BEING HERE BECAUSE I'LL TELL YOU OUR PEOPLE ARE VERY DIRECT TOO THEY CAN BE CORDIAL THEY CAN BE PLEASANT THEY CAN SMILE AT YOU AND THEN THERE ARE DAYS THEY'RE JUST GOING TO TELL YOU EXACTLY WHAT THEY THINK MAYBE SOME OF US ARE WILLING TO TAKE THAT MAYBE SOME OF US MIGHT HAVE SHORTER CAREERS THAN OTHERS BUT I DON'T THINK YOU'RE EVER GOING TO LOSE SIGHTING ON THE SIDE OF OUR PEOPLE WHEN YOU TAKE THE OTHER SIDE GOOD LUCK I DON'T KNOW WHAT'S SO COMPLICATED ABOUT THAT I REALLY DON'T THIS COWERING TO THE ADMINISTRATION BECAUSE THE GOVERNOR WANTS THIS THAT'S NICE WELL LET'S TALK ABOUT IT BUT WE HAVEN'T HAD THAT CONVERSATION WE SIMPLY HAD A STATE OF AN ISLAND A FEW WEEKS AGO AND WE WERE TOLD THIS IS WHAT I'M GOING TO DO WHOPTY DOO THE HECK WITH THE REST OF YOU AND THAT JUST AIN'T HOW DEMOCRACY OPERATES ESPECIALLY WHEN THE INTENT IS TO OBLIGATE OUR PEOPLE AND OFFEND THEM AT THE SAME TIME THAT'S JUST NOT HOW WE SHOULD OPERATE IN THE PEOPLE'S HOUSE AND IT DOESN'T END REALLY COLLEAGUES IF YOU DON'T OVERRIDE THIS DOESN'T END HERE THIS WILL BE THIS WILL BE A BADGE WE'RE ALL GOING TO WEAR THE REST OF THIS TERM AND BEYOND BECAUSE THE DISTINCTION IS GOING TO REALLY BE MADE WHOSE INTERESTS ARE YOU PROTECTING WHOSE INTERESTS ARE YOU REPRESENTING ARE YOU REPRESENTING MY INTEREST ARE YOU REPRESENTING THE GOVERNOR'S INTEREST BECAUSE I CAN'T BELIEVE ANY OF US ARE GOING TO ARGUE OH WE'RE REPRESENTING THE MILITARY'S INTERESTS AND FOR SO MANY YEARS MANY BEFORE AS MANY GREATER LEGISLATORS THAN EVEN US HAVE STOOD ON THIS FLOOR AND HAVE ADVOCATED FOR THE INTERESTS AND THE RIGHTS OF OUR PEOPLE TO GOVERN AND HAVE AND OWN THEIR OWN LAND BUT WHY IN PARTICULAR DOES IT HAVE TO BE AT *LALO* AND WHO MADE THAT DECISION AND WHO MADE THAT DECISION THAT WE NEED TO PARTNER WITH THE MILITARY THE CONSTRUCTION OF OUR CIVILIAN HOSPITAL THE MILITARY HAS FAR MORE RESOURCES THAT THEY CAN ACCESS AND NOT LITERALLY ARE AT THEIR FINGERTIPS TO EXPAND THEIR CAPABILITIES WITH THEIR EXISTING FACILITY IF THEY NEEDED TO GOSH ONE FIGHTER PILOT PLANE GOSH ONE PLANE ONE PLANE COULD HELP PAY FOR A BRAND NEW HOSPITAL EXPANSION TO THEIR EXISTING FACILITY NOTHING TO STOP THEM FROM DOING THAT BECAUSE THEY DIDN'T PLAN OR PREPARE I THINK SENATOR LUJAN AND I ARE THE ONLY TWO WHO WERE HERE BACK THEN WITH ADMIRAL BREWER UP ON THE HILL WHEN THEY WERE DOWNSIZING AND WE'RE SITTING HERE GOING WHAT WHY HOW I CAN'T GET IT THERE'S THE MAP OF THE WORLD RIGHT THERE THERE'S GUAM AND YOU'RE TELLING ME YOU GUYS ARE GOING TO DOWNSIZE THIS MAJOR PART THIS LITTLE DOT IN THE MIDDLE OF THE PACIFIC AND MOTHBALL AND YOU'RE TELLING US HOW AND WHY YOU'RE DOWNSIZING AND YOU KNOW LET'S JUST ALL HAVE A NICE DAY IT'S GOOD TO TALK TO YOU AND LOOK AT WHAT HAS HAPPENED TO THE WORLD SINCE THEN I DON'T KNOW WHO THEY'RE YOU KNOW WHO'S DOING THEIR MILITARY STRATEGY PLANNING BUT WOW WHAT I THINK SOMEBODY MISSED THE BOAT SOMEWHERE HOW EVERYTHING HAS CHANGED AND NOW THEY'RE NOT AS PREPARED AS THEY NEED TO BE BUT THEY COULD BE VERY QUICKLY THINGS MOVE VERY QUICKLY YOU KNOW WHEN MONEY MOVES THINGS CAN HAPPEN VERY QUICKLY BUT HOW AND WHERE THAT GOES WITH REGARDS TO THE MILITARY FACILITY AND THEIR HOSPITAL THAT'S THEM TO DECIDE HOW AND WERE OUR HOSPITAL FOR OUR PEOPLE OUR DEAR PEOPLE OF GUAM THAT WE WE TALK TO AND LOVE SO MUCH BUT MAN WHEN THE TIME COMES TO MAKE THE DECISIONS TO MAKE THE RIGHT DECISIONS ON THEIR BEHALF WHY IS IT SO DIFFICULT TO DO THAT WHY IS IT SO DIFFICULT TO DO THE RIGHT THING SORRY THE TIME RAN OUT YOU BETTER PUT IT BACK ON BECAUSE WE MIGHT HAVE WORLD WAR III HERE IN THE SESSION HALL THIS SHOULD NOT BE THAT DIFFICULT TO DO BECAUSE THERE'S A LOT OF WORK THAT NEEDS TO BE DONE YOU KNOW THE FACT THAT KEY MEMBERS OF OUR COMMUNITY INCLUDING THE MEDICAL COMMUNITY I DON'T ALWAYS AGREE WITH THEM BUT IN THIS PARTICULAR CASE I AGREE WITH THEM THERE'S A LOT OF INFRASTRUCTURE THAT'S ALREADY BEEN PUT IN PLACE AND WE'RE NOT GOING TO PROVIDE OUR PEOPLE BETTER MEDICAL SUPPORT BY LOCATING THE HOSPITAL AWAY FROM WHERE THEIR CENTER OF ACTIVITY IS AND THEN YOU KNOW THE NEW HOSPITAL MY GOODNESS ALL THE TIME AND FOCUS WAS PUT IN WE'RE GOING TO BUILD A NEW PRIVATE HOSPITAL AND THAT'S GOING TO RESOLVE ALL OUR ISSUES I MEAN I WAS THERE DPW IN THE NEW HOSPITAL WAS BEING CONSTRUCTED AND NOW IT DOESN'T EVEN SEEM TO BE A THOUGHT IN THE DISCUSSION MAYBE THE

HOSPITAL AIN'T SO IN THESE DAYS I DON'T KNOW DON'T HEAR MUCH ABOUT THEM DON'T SEEM TO CARE I GUESS INSTEAD OF HOW ARE WE GOING TO PARTNER COLLECTIVELY WITH THE RESOURCES THAT ARE HERE TO PROVIDE BETTER MEDICAL CARE IN OUR COMMUNITY I HAVE NO INTEREST IN THE NEW HOSPITAL I DON'T HAVE ANY STOCK IN IT BUT YOU GOT TO WONDER YOU KNOW ONE OF THOSE MOMENTS ARE PEOPLE GO HMM *HÁFA NA!* WHAT'S GOING ON WHOSE INTEREST IS BEING REPRESENTED IS IT MINE I ALWAYS ASK PEOPLE MAKE SURE LOOK LOOK BEYOND LOOK BEYOND WHAT YOU SEE AND FIND OUT WHO'S THIS BEING DONE FOR IS IT BEING DONE FOR YOU IS IT BEING WHO'S GOT THAT DEAL WHO'S GOING TO MAKE MONEY ON THAT PROJECT I GOT TO ASK WHO'S GOING TO MAKE MONEY ON THIS PROJECT WHO'S INTENDING TO BE THE COMPANY THAT'S GOING TO CONSTRUCT THIS NEW HOSPITAL YOU KNOW BECAUSE THOSE A LOT OF THOSE DEALS GET CUT IN THE BACK DOOR AND THEY DON'T SEEM THE LIGHT AT DAY AND IN THIS PARTICULAR CASE MADAM SPEAKER LIKE I SAID THE OTHER DAY I MEAN NOT ONLY DID IT GET MADE BEHIND CLOSED DOORS IT GOT MADE IN THE DARK AND THAT'S THE DANGER IF THIS IS HOW WE'RE GOING TO MOVE FORWARD IN MAKING DECISIONS OR THE LACK OF OUR ABILITY TO MAKE DECISIONS BECAUSE WE CHOOSE NOT TO STAND UP FOR THE PEOPLE WE SAY WE'RE HERE TO REPRESENT MY DEAR PEOPLE OF GUAM WELL IF WE'RE GOING TO MAKE DECISIONS ON THEIR BEHALF WE NEED TO MAKE IT IN THE LIGHT OF DAY AND WE DEFINITELY NEED TO MAKE IT WITH THE LIGHTS ON SO THAT THEY KNOW WHAT WE'RE DOING ON THEIR BEHALF TO DO ANYTHING SHORT OF THAT TO ACQUIESCE TO THE DEMANDS OF THE ADMINISTRATION THAT'S CAUSED US PARANOID YOU KNOW SOMETIMES I DON'T KNOW WHO'S DOING THEIR WRITING FOR THEM I DON'T KNOW HOW THE GOVERNMENT EVEN ALLOWS THOSE THINGS TO BE PUT IN PAPER THAT SHE SIGNS I'M BEGINNING TO WONDER WHO'S REALLY PARANOID BECAUSE THAT KIND OF VITRIOL OF WRITING THAT COMES OUT OF THERE AND THEN THEY EXPECT US TO SORT OF FOLLOW ALONG THEIR DIRECTION OF LEADERSHIP AS IF THAT'S THE WAY TO GO AND THEN WHEN YOU DON'T AGREE WITH THEM OH MY GOSH YOU'RE A TARGET FOR ATTACK YOUR FAMILY'S A TARGET FOR ATTACK AND BOY DON'T THEY LOVE TO JUST SPREAD THAT GARBAGE ON SOCIAL MEDIA THEY'RE ALL AIMED AT THOSE THAT DON'T SUPPORT THEM THAT DON'T BOW TO THEM THAT DON'T KOWTOW TO THEM WELL I DON'T THINK YOU CAN RUN AND STAND HERE AND ASK TO REPRESENT THE PEOPLE OF GUAM AND KOWTOW TO ANYONE OUR PRIORITY SHOULD BE HERE TO REPRESENT THE INTERESTS OF OUR PEOPLE I'M CERTAINLY STANDING UP TO REPRESENT OUR PEOPLE MADAM SPEAKER AND I'M VOTING FOR THE OVERRIDE OF THIS BILL THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT.

**SENATOR SHELTON:** THANK YOU SENATOR BROWN ON THE OVERRIDE OF VETOED BILL NUMBER 12-37 SENATOR SAN NICOLAS YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

**SENATOR SAN NICOLAS:** THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER I'VE BEEN IN POLITICS ALREADY WHAT ALL OF WHAT THREE MONTHS NOW AND YOU KNOW IF IT'S A REPUBLICAN MEASURE THE DEMOCRATS DON'T LIKE IT AND IF IT'S OVER DEMOCRAT MEASURE OR REPUBLICANS AND WHATEVER AND IT'S BEEN A RECURRENT THEME I I JUST WANT TO DO WHAT IS RIGHT YOU KNOW HOW ABOUT OPTIMISM EVERYBODY TALKING DOWN THIS HOSPITAL AS LEADERS I THINK WE SHOULD OFFER PEOPLE OPTIM OPTIMISM SOMEONE WANTS TO BUILD YOU A HOSPITAL AND GET THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT TO HELP PAY FOR IT WHAT A WONDERFUL THING WHAT A WONDERFUL THING COULD IT BE THAT IT'S JUST A DEMOCRATIC GOVERNOR PROFFERING THIS AND THAT MAKES IT NOT RIGHT I LOVE COOPERATION BETWEEN US AND THE MILITARY THAT IS MY MILITARY THAT IS YOUR MILITARY I HAVE A SON WHO IS A MARINE HE MAY USE THIS THIS HOSPITAL I HAVE A ARMY OFFICER DAUGHTER WHO MAY USE THIS HOSPITAL THE WHOLE ENTIRE ISLAND CIVILIANS WILL USE THIS HOSPITAL AND ONE ONE OF THE REASONS WHY I THINK COOPERATING AND WORKING WITH THE MILITARY IS BECAUSE OF THE THREATS THAT WE'RE FACING NOT ONLY THAT MY FATHER PASSED AWAY ALMOST A DECADE AGO AND HE WAS RUSHED TO NAVAL HOSPITAL NEVER ONCE SERVED A DAY IN THE MILITARY THIS IS WAY BEFORE I HAD A BUSINESS AND WAY BEFORE I WAS IN POLITICS AND HE SLIPPED AWAY AT NAVAL HOSPITAL ONE OF THE MOST DIGNIFIED THINGS I'VE EVER SEEN GETTING TREATED AT THE MILITARY HOSPITAL WE SAW THAT HE ALREADY HAD SLIPPED AWAY BUT THE NURSE CAME OUT AND GAVE HIM A WARM BLANKET VERY VERY DIGNIFIED AND IT HAPPENED UP AT NAVAL HOSPITAL AND HERE WE HAVE A CHANCE TO REPLICATE THIS PARTNERSHIP FOR OUR OWN PEOPLE AND WE I LISTEN HERE AGAIN AND AGAIN AND AGAIN AND AGAIN WAYS TO KIND OF HINDER OUR COOPERATION SOMEONE WANTS TO BUILD YOU A HOSPITAL I'M FOR IT SOMEONE SAYS WE WANT A PARTNERSHIP WITH A MILITARY WE WANT TO WORK TOGETHER LET'S DO IT THAT'S MY MILITARY IT'S YOUR MILITARY WE ARE GOING TO BE FACING SOMETHING VERY CRITICAL IN THE NEXT COUPLE YEARS AND IT'S NOT OF OUR DOING BUT WHEN WHEN THINGS START TO MAYBE WHEN THINGS START TO FLY AROUND MAYBE HAVING A NEW HOSPITAL IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE MILITARY IS NOT SUCH A BAD THING AND SO GOT A CALL FROM THE GOVERNOR TODAY AND SHE SHE MENTIONED I I CALLED HER BECAUSE ONE OF THE ONE OF THE GREAT THINGS I HAD A CONSTITUENT CALL ME UP YESTERDAY AND SHE GOES OUT OF THE FOURTEEN PEOPLE THAT ARE DOWN THERE AT THE LEGISLATURE I THINK IF I WANTED THE TRUTH I COULD GET IT FROM YOU AND SO THE GOVERNOR CALLS ME TODAY BECAUSE I MESSAGED HER I WANT TO KNOW EVERYTHING I WANT TO KNOW WHY SHOULD I SUPPORT THIS OVERRIDE AND SHE SAYS IT'S A GOOD THING AND IT'S A GOOD THING



BECAUSE WE'RE GOING TO WORK WITH PARTNERSHIP WITH THE MILITARY AND THEY ARE GOING TO HELP US BUILD THIS HOSPITAL THEY'RE GOING TO HELP PAY FOR THIS HOSPITAL I WAS MAULING IT OVER ONE BILLION DOLLARS FOR A BRAND NEW HOSPITAL I'M A BUSINESSMAN OR THAT'S ONE SIXTH OF OUR GDP I THINK OUR GDP IS AT SIX BILLION NOW SO ONE SIXTH OF OUR GDP IF WARREN BUFFETT WAS HERE YOU WOULD SAY THAT'S NO PROBLEM IT'S ONLY ONE SIXTH OF YOUR GDP BUT WITH THE POTENTIAL THREATS THAT WE'RE GOING TO BE FACING IN THE FUTURE AND THE PERCEIVED WORKING TOGETHER IN TANDEM WITH THE MILITARY TO HELP US BUILD THIS HOSPITAL I DON'T THINK IT'S SUCH A BAD IDEA AND THEREFORE I'M OPPOSED TO THIS OVERRIDE THANK YOU.

**SENATOR SHELTON:** THANK YOU SENATOR NICOLAS ON THE OVERRIDE OF VETOED BILL 12-37 SENATOR BLAS MINORITY LEADER YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

**SENATOR BLAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH MADAM CHAIR AND THANK YOU TO MY COLLEAGUES FURTHER ALL THE CONCERNS THEY BROUGHT YEAH AND I TOO WENT SITTING LISTENING TO WHAT WAS PRESENTED WITH REGARD TO THIS EFFORT TO OVERRIDE THIS VETO LISTEN INTENTLY AND ONE OF THE THINGS THAT I WANTED TO BRING TO I I WANT TO BE ABLE TO SPEND MY TIME BRINGING US BACK TO WHAT THIS IS ABOUT THIS IS AN ACT THAT WOULD REQUIRE FOR THE LEGISLATIVE APPROVAL FROM THE LEGISLATURE BEFORE THE GOVERNMENT OR GUAM CAN ENTER INTO ANY LEASE OR PURCHASE A PROPERTY OWNED BY THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT OR ANY OTHER ENTITY FOR A TERM IN EXCESS OF FIVE YEARS IT'S NOTHING HERE THAT SAYS BEFORE WE CAN PURCHASE OR ENTER INTO ANY LEASE AGREEMENT FOR A PROPOSED HOSPITAL IN FACT THERE'S NOTHING IN THE BODY OF THE LEGISLATION THAT WAS PASSED BY THIS BODY IT SAYS ANYTHING ABOUT A PROPOSED MEDICAL COMPLEX THIS IN FACT IS JUST A BILL THAT AFFIRMS WHAT OUR ROLE IS WHAT OUR RESPONSIBILITY IS AS A LEGISLATURE ANOTHER INTERESTING FACT IS THAT THIS BILL WAS INTRODUCED ON JANUARY 24 2023 WAY BEFORE WE WERE INFORMED THAT ANY LEASE AGREEMENT FOR THE PROPERTY WAS NEAR INCOMPLETION OR NOT ALL BY THE WAY WITH THERE'S A DEADLINE TO SIGN WAY BEFORE THAT I COMMEND THE AUTHOR OF THIS LEGISLATION IN HER FORESIGHT OF RECOGNIZING THAT IN ORDER FOR US TO FULFILL OUR OBLIGATIONS AND OUR RESPONSIBILITIES AS A BODY THAT WE SHOULD TAKE A LOOK AT LEASES THAT ARE GOING TO INDENTURE US THAT ARE GOING TO INDEBT US THAT COULD POSSIBLY ENDED US FOR A NUMBER OF YEARS DON'T WE DO THAT ANYWAYS I VENTURE TO SAY THAT THERE MAY BE A BILL BASED ON SOME NEWS REPORTS THAT I'VE READ THAT MAY REQUIRE US TO BE ABLE TO AUTHORIZE THE GOVERNMENT TO EXERCISE EMINENT DOMAIN FOR FORTY SQUARE FEET OF PROPERTY SO THAT THEY CAN COMPLETE A ROADWAY FORTY SQUARE FEET AND IT HAS TO COME TO US FOR APPROVAL WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE WE'VE SEEM TO HAVE MIRED OURSELVES SURROUNDED OURSELVES AND THINKING THAT THIS IS PRIMARILY FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A MEDICAL FACILITY MY COLLEAGUES THIS BILL IS TO ENSURE THAT BEFORE WE SPEAK IN BEHALF OF THE PEOPLE OF GUAM AND WE INDEBT OR WE PROVIDE A DEBT TO THE PEOPLE OF GUAM FOR A LEASE OR FOR A PURCHASE OF ANY LAND THAT IT GOES THROUGH THE SCRUTINY AND FOR LACK OF A TERM THE APPROVAL OF THIS BODY IT'S GOING TO BE KIND OF INTERESTING BECAUSE AS THE DISCUSSIONS GO FORWARD IN THE BUILDING IN THE CONSTRUCTION OF A FACILITY OR MUCH LESS A HOSPITAL YOU HAVE TO COME TO US AND ASK FOR US FOR PERMISSION TO USE THE MONEY BUT AGAIN THAT'S OUR JOB SO WHY WE'RE WRAPPED AROUND AN ISSUE OF WHETHER OR NOT WE'RE GOING TO DO OUR JOBS THAT'S LUDICROUS THIS IS ABOUT OUR BASIC FUNCTION AND IF WE'RE GOING TO NEGLECT THAT IF WE'RE GOING TO SAY NO IT'S NOT THAT IS NOT WHAT WE HAVE BEEN TASKED TO DO FURTHER THERE'S NOTHING IN THIS LEGISLATION THAT SAYS THAT ANYTHING THAT COMES BEFORE THIS BODY WHETHER IT BE FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A MEDICAL FACILITY OR FOR THE COMPLETION OF A ROTARY PROJECT THAT IT'S GOING TO AUTOMATICALLY BE NEGLECT REJECTED WHAT THIS SAYS IS THAT BEFORE WE SPEND ANY MONEY WE GO TO THE SCRUTINY WE GO THROUGH THE QUESTIONS WE GO THROUGH THE INQUIRY THAT WE DO WITH ANY OTHER SPENDING MEASURE ANY OTHER MEASURE WHERE THE GOVERNMENT WANTS TO SPEND MONEY ARE ONES TO OBLIGATE THE PEOPLE OF GUAM NOTHING MORE SO IF YOU FEAR THAT BY PASSAGE OF THIS BILL BY ENACTING THIS INTO LAW IS GOING TO REQUIRE YOU TO GET INTO THE BUSHES INTO THE NUTS AND BOLTS OF WHY YOU WANT THIS AGREEMENT BECAUSE THERE ARE THINGS THAT YOU DON'T WANT TO EXPOSE OR YOU WANT TO HIDE UNTIL LATER THAT WE FIGURE THAT THIS IS NOT A GOOD DEAL THEN WE KNOW WHY YOU'RE SCARED I HAVE NEVER WORKED I'VE NEVER SEEN OBSERVED ANY GOVERNOR WHO DID NOT WANT TO INDEBT OUR PEOPLE FOR ANY AMOUNT NOT WANT TO STAND AND NOT WANT TO BE ABLE TO DISCUSS IN DETAIL WHAT THEY WOULD LIKE TO DO EXCEPT THIS ONE NO LEASE AGREEMENT NO PURCHASE THAT IS GOING TO BE THAT IS GOING TO AFFECT THE PEOPLE OF GUAM SHOULD BE INACCURATE OR SHOULD BE PROMULGATED OR SHOULD BE SIGNED WITHOUT PEOPLE KNOWING ABOUT IT I FOR ONE I'M CURIOUS WHY IS IT THAT THE NUTS AND BOLTS WHY IS IT THAT THE DETAILS THAT ARE TRULY NECESSARY FOR THIS LEASE AGREEMENT WHY IS THIS GOING TO BE HELD BACK FROM US AND FROM THE PEOPLE OF GUAM UNTIL AFTER IT'S SIGNED THAT'S BECAUSE AFTER ITS SIGN THERE'S NO MORE VOICE YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE TO ACCEPT IT IT'S BASIC HOUSEHOLD BUDGETING IT'S BASIC AGREEMENTS IT'S OUR BASIC RESPONSIBILITY AS A LEGISLATURE TO ASK THE QUESTIONS THAT NEED TO BE ASKED WHETHER IT BE

FOR THIS LEASE OR ANY FUTURE LEASE I DON'T EVEN KNOW WHY WE NEED THIS PIECE OF LEGISLATION IT SHOULD BE SOMETHING THAT BECOMES NATURAL IT SHOULD BE SOMETHING THAT BECOMES INHERENT I DON'T SEE ANY LOGICAL COMMON SENSE REASON NOT TO OVERRIDE THIS VETO AND FOR THAT MADAM CHAIR THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK I ASKED FOR MY COLLEAGUES CONSIDERATION AND SUPPORT OF THIS OVERRIDE SO THAT WE CAN IN BEHALF OF OUR PEOPLE WHETHER IT BE THIS LEASE OR ANY FUTURE LEASE THEY KNOW THEY CAN HAVE CONFIDENCE THAT WHAT WE'RE GETTING INTO IS SOMETHING THAT'S TRULY BENEFICIAL AND THAT WE CAN AFFORD IT THANK YOU VERY MUCH MADAM CHAIR.

**SENATOR SHELTON:** THANK YOU SENATOR BLAS MINORITY LEADER BLAS ON THE NOTWITHSTANDING MOTION TO OVERRIDE VETO THE VETO OF BILL NUMBER 12-37 SPEAKER TERLAJE YOU MAY CLOSE.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** THANK YOU AND I WANT TO THANK MY COLLEAGUES FOR THEIR VERY ELOQUENT REMARKS FOR AND AGAINST THE OVERRIDE AND AND REALLY ESPECIALLY WANT TO THANK THOSE WHO STAYED IN THE ROOM THE ENTIRE TIME TO HEAR EACH OTHER I THINK IT'S VERY IMPORTANT THAT WE DO THAT THIS IS SOMETHING THAT HAS NOT BEEN FULLY VETTED BEFORE THE PEOPLE OF GUAM AND THAT'S WHAT WE'RE TRYING TO DO BY THIS OVERRIDE AGAIN IF THE BILL TWELVE IS OVERRIDDEN THE HOSPITAL IS STILL GOING TO BE BUILT IT IS STILL GOING TO BE AN URGENT MATTER AND THAT DOESN'T IN ANY WAY LESSON THE LEGISLATURE'S COMMITMENT TO FUNDING A HOSPITAL OR THE URGENCY WITH WHICH WE MUST ALL WORK TOGETHER IT SPECIFIES A MECHANISM IF OF HOW WE WILL COLLABORATE SO THERE'S NO FURTHER MISUNDERSTANDING OR PERCEIVED HIDDEN AGENDA AN OVERRIDE WILL BENEFIT THE PEOPLE OF GUAM BECAUSE IT WILL MANDATE THAT A LIGHT BE SHINED IT WILL BRING PUBLIC INPUT AND BUY IN GOING FORWARD THIS CAN ONLY BENEFIT ALL OF US IN THE GOVERNMENT PROPOSED LEASE OF THE FEDERAL LAND CAN BE REVIEWED WITH HASTE AND IF WE WANT TO CONTINUE TO NEGOTIATE WITH THE MILITARY FOR USE OF LAND THAT IT CONTROLS WE CAN DO THAT LET'S DO THAT THAT'S WHAT THIS BILL DOES IT WOULD SHOW THE PEOPLE OF GUAM THE TERMS OF A PROPOSED LEASE WHAT'S IN THERE AND WHAT'S NOT IN THERE AND WHAT WE WILL OWE MOST IMPORTANTLY THE PROMISE OF FEDERAL FUNDS IS NOWHERE IN THIS BILL OR IN THE DRAFT LEASE THAT'S FLOATING AROUND THAT'S THE SUBJECT OF A LOT OF DISCUSSION AND IF THAT IS A CONSIDERATION THEN LET'S SEE IT THE MILITARY COLLEAGUES THEY ARE NOT BUILDING OUR HOSPITAL FOR US WE ARE BUILDING IT THE PEOPLE OF GUAM ARE BUILDING IT AT LEAST THAT'S THE DOCUMENTS THAT WE'VE BEEN SHOWN AND IF THERE ARE ANY OTHER DOCUMENTS AGAIN LET'S SEE IT IT'S THE PEOPLE OF GUAM WHO ARE GOING TO BEAR THE DEBT THEY'RE GOING TO PROVIDE THE MAINTENANCE THEY'RE GOING TO PROVIDE THE STAFFING THEY'RE GOING TO SUFFER THE LIABILITY AND A VETERANS CARE CLINIC IS OWED TO OUR VETERANS BUT DO WE NEED TO GIVE MORE LAND FOR THEM TO DESERVE THAT DO WE NEED TO PAY FOR IT OURSELVES TO HONOR THAT OBLIGATION TO OUR VETERANS LET'S NOT MIX UP THE ISSUES HERE THERE'S ONLY A HUNDRED SIXTY ONE BEDS IN THE NEW HOSPITAL ACCORDING TO MATRIX WE HAVE A HUNDRED FIFTY EIGHT RIGHT NOW AND FORTY AT THE SNU AND WE'RE MAXED OUT CAN WE PLEASE VET WHETHER WE CAN ACCOMMODATE OUR GROWING POPULATION THE INCREASED WORKFORCE THAT WAS PREDICTED IN THE EIS AND ANY OTHER MILITARY OBLIGATIONS WITH A HUNDRED SIXTY ONE BEDS I DON'T CARE WHO GETS THE CREDIT FOR A NEW HOSPITAL AND I DON'T CARE WHO'S RUNNING FOR GOVERNOR IN FOUR YEARS OR THEREAFTER I CARE THAT THE PEOPLE OF GUAM DESERVE A NEW HOSPITAL AND ARE ALMOST DESPERATE FOR ONE BUT THEY DO NOT DESERVE TO BE HELD HOSTAGE ON A LEASE WITH UNKNOWN TERMS AND GIVEN A THIRTY DAY DEADLINE TO LOSE LAND AGAIN WE CAN BUILD A HOSPITAL WITHOUT LOSING WE CAN MAKE A GOOD DEAL WHILE WE COMMIT OUR RESOURCES NO SENATOR OR LEGISLATURE OR AGENCY OR GOVERNOR SHOULD BE PRESSURED INTO CONSENTING TO UNKNOWN MILITARY REQUIREMENTS AND UNKNOWN FINANCIAL COMMITMENTS SIMPLY BECAUSE SOMEONE IS GIVING US A THIRTY DAY ULTIMATUM AND RENEGING ON PREVIOUS COMMITMENTS BY THE SECRETARY OF THE NAVY ALONG THE WAY THE LEGISLATURE SHOULD REVIEW PROPOSED LEASES WITH THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT THAT'S WHAT AN OVERRIDE WOULD DO WE ARE THE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE PEOPLE OF GUAM PLEASE COLLEAGUES STAND FIRM ON BEHALF OF THE PEOPLE OF GUAM OVERRIDE THE VETO AND LET'S VET ANY LEASES THAT THE GOVERNOR WANTS TO PROPOSE WITH THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT LET'S VET THOSE EXPEDITIOUSLY LET'S VET THOSE FAIRLY BUT LET'S VET THOSE LET'S SEE THE OBLIGATION AND THE COMMITMENT THAT WE ARE BINDING NOT OURSELVES BUT ALL OF THE CHILDREN OF GUAM AND THEIR CHILDREN THAT'S HOW LONG THESE OBLIGATIONS ARE GOING TO LAST I ASK YOU TO STAND FIRM IN YOUR INITIAL RESPONSE AS TO WHAT IS OUR JOB HERE NO ONE ELSE NO ONE ELSE WILL BE ABLE TO VET FEDERAL LEASES IF NOT THE LEGISLATURE ON BEHALF OF THE PEOPLE OF GUAM SO I'M ASKING YOU TO PLEASE DON'T SHY AWAY THIS IS NOT GOING TO STOP ANY HOSPITAL FROM BEING BUILT IN FACT I COMPLETELY EXPECT A STATE-OF-THE-ART FACILITY FOR THE AMOUNT OF MONEY AND THE COMMITMENT OF RESOURCES THAT THE PEOPLE OF GUAM ARE PUTTING INTO THIS MEDICAL COMPLEX SO I'M ASKING YOU PLEASE OVERRIDE THE BILL REQUIRE FEDERAL LEASES TO BE REVIEWED BY THE LEGISLATURE ALLOW THE PUBLIC A CHANCE TO SEE WHAT THE TERMS ARE GOING TO BE THAT THEY ARE GOING TO BE BOUND TO AND IF THE LEASES

ARE GOOD AND THE DEALS ARE GOOD THEN WE WILL END UP AS WE ALWAYS DO IN A WORKABLE SITUATION A WIN-WIN SITUATION THE BEST DEAL THAT WE CAN GET FOR THE PEOPLE OF GUAM THANK YOU *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'*.

**SENATOR SHELTON:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH MADAM SPEAKER.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** I RENEW MY MOTION THAT BILL 12-37 COR HAS AMENDED BE PLACED IN THE VOTING FILE FOR AN OVERRIDE.

**SENATOR SHELTON:** ON THE MOTION HEARING NO OBJECTIONS MOTION CARRIES SENATOR PARKINSON.

**SENATOR PARKINSON:** I'D LIKE TO MAKE A MOTION TO RECESS TILL 3:00 P.M. FOR LUNCH.

**SENATOR SHELTON:** OKAY SPEAKER TERLAJE ON THE MOTION.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** ON THE MOTION THE VOTING FILES ARE READY I I WOULD MAKE A MOTION THAT WE VOTE RIGHT AWAY.

**SENATOR DUEÑAS:** POINT OF INQUIRY SO THE VOTING WOULD BE TO VOTE ON ALL ITEMS IN THE FILE BECAUSE WE HAVE A PENDING RESOLUTION TO DISCUSS MADAM CHAIR.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** ALL RIGHT THAT'S RIGHT I THAT'S FINE I WITHDRAW MY MOTION.

**SENATOR DUEÑAS:** *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* MADAM CHAIR.

**SENATOR SHELTON:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH WE ARE IN RECESS UNTIL WE ARE IN RECESS UNTIL 3:00 P.M..

### RECESS

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** *I MINA'TRENTAI SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN* IS BACK IN SESSION WE'RE BACK WE'RE STILL IN MOTIONS IS THERE ANY OTHER MOTION THERE'S A MOTION SENATOR TAITAGUE YOU YOU'RE RECOGNIZED.

**SENATOR TAITAGUE:** THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER MADAM SPEAKER I WOULD LIKE THE BODY MOTION TO RECONSIDER THE VOTE ON THE RESOLUTION SIXTY SEVEN IT'S BROUGHT TO MY ATTENTION THAT THIS DID NOT MEET THE OPEN GOVERNMENT LAW THE FIVE-DAY RULE AND WOULD LIKE IT TO MAKE A MOTION THAT IT'S RECONSIDERED THE VOTE AND HAVE IT GO BACK TO WHAT THE COMMITTEE WHAT'S NEVER BEEN IN THE COMMITTEE SO IT WOULD GO BACK THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER.

**SENATOR DUEÑAS:** MADAM SPEAKER I RISE TO OBJECT TO THAT MOTION THIS RESOLUTION DOES NOT REQUIRE AN OPEN GOVERNMENT LAW REQUIREMENT FOR NOTICE THIS IS A RESOLUTION THAT IS PASSED BY THE RULES COMMITTEE OR CAN BE PASSED UNDER A NOTWITHSTANDING MOTION THIS IS A PROCEDURAL RESOLUTION AS PER OUR STANDING RULES AND IS NOT A SUBSTANTIVE RESOLUTION REQUIRING ANY PUBLIC HEARING AND IT'S NOT A RESOLUTION.

**SENATOR TAITAGUE:** POINT POINT OF INFORMATION.

**SENATOR DUEÑAS:** AT ALL THERE IS.

**SENATOR TAITAGUE:** POINT OF INFORMATION.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** YOUR YOUR OBJECTION IS NOTED SENATOR DUEÑAS POINT OF INFORMATION SENATOR TAITAGUE YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

**SENATOR TAITAGUE:** MADAM SPEAKER THIS HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH WHETHER IT HAD A PUBLIC HEARING OR NOT THIS HAS TO DO WITH WHAT'S ON THE SESSION AGENDA WE HAVE COUNTLESS TIMES MENTIONED.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** ALRIGHT.

**SENATOR TAITAGUE:** THAT ANYTHING GOING ON TO SESSION ANGESTA HAS TO MEET THE FIVE-DAY RULE.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** ALRIGHT.

**SENATOR TAITAGUE:** AND THIS IS PART OF THE AGENDA SO IT DID NOT.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** THIS IS OKAY.

**SENATOR TAITAGUE:** APPRECIATE IT.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** SO THERE'S BEEN A MOTION TO RECONSIDER THE ACTIONS OF THE BODY IN PLACING RESOLUTION 67-37 LS ONTO THE AGENDA.

**SENATOR DUEÑAS:** MADAM CHAIR I HAVE TO RISE TO A POINT OF INFORMATION TO RESPOND TO THAT POINT OF INFORMATION THERE HAVE BEEN RESOLUTIONS.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** PLEASE.

**SENATOR DUEÑAS:** THROUGHOUT THE EXISTENCE OF THIS AUGUST BODY THAT ARE MOVED ON THE FLOOR THAT DO NOT REQUIRE NOTIFICATION WHEN THEY'RE MOVED FROM THE RULES COMMITTEE OR WITH A NOTWITHSTANDING MOTION MADAM CHAIR.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** THANK YOU SENATOR.

**SENATOR DUEÑAS:** SO THAT IS OUT OF ORDER.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** WE'RE ON A MOTION TO RECONSIDER THERE'S BEEN AN OBJECTION SO WE ARE RECONSIDERING FIRST WE'RE GOING TO VOTE ON WHETHER TO RECONSIDER THE MOTION TO PLACE THE BILL OR THE RESOLUTION ON THE AGENDA SO THIS IS JUST A MOTION TO RECONSIDER ALL IN FAVOR OF RECONSIDERING THAT VOTE PLEASE RAISE YOUR HAND ALL IN FAVOR OF RECONSIDERING THAT VOTE PLEASE RAISE YOUR HAND MOTION FAILS ARE THERE ANY OTHER MOTIONS IF NOT THEN WE WILL PROCEED TO WE HAVE NOTHING UNDER LEGISLATIVE CONCURRENCE NOTHING UNDER CONSENT CALENDAR SO WE'RE UNDER SECOND READING UNDER ALRIGHT WE'RE ON SECOND READING RESOLUTION NUMBER 67-37 LS SPONSORED BY TOM FISHER AND OTHER SENATOR FISHER YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

**SENATOR FISHER:** THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER A CRIMINAL ACT I'M SORRY I'M SORRY WHAT ARE YOU ASKING FOR MA'AM.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** PLEASE PROCEED PLEASE PROCEED.

**SENATOR FISHER:** OKAY OKAY JUST MOVE IT TO THE THIRD READING.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** YES ON ON ALRIGHT SENATOR FISHER.

**SENATOR FISHER:** CAN WE HAVE A BREAK JUST A SECOND.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** SURE ONE MINUTE RECESS.

**RECESS**

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** WE'RE BACK FROM RECESS SENATOR FISHER YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

**SENATOR FISHER:** YES THANK YOU MA'AM AND I'D ALSO LIKE TO THANK MY COLLEAGUES FOR EDUCATING ME ON THE PROCEDURAL NECESSITIES OF THE BODY AT THIS TIME I AM MOVING RESOLUTION 67-37 INTO THE THIRD READING FILE AND I WOULD LIKE TO PARTICIPATE AND INVITE DEBATE ON THE MATTER.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** PLEASE PROCEED.

**SENATOR FISHER:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH THIS BODY WAS A VICTIM OF A CRIMINAL ACT IT IS SUBSTANTIVELY AND FUNCTIONALLY NO DIFFERENT DIFFERENT FROM SOMEBODY THROWING A ROCK THROUGH A WINDOW OR FIRING A BULLET A CRIME IS A CRIME WE SUFFERED FROM THAT CRIMINAL ACT AND CONTINUE TO SUFFER FROM THE CRIMINAL ACT AND I AM A BIT DISTURBED BY THE NONCHALANCE WITH WHICH SOME MEMBERS ARE RECEIVING THAT GROSS INSULT TO THE BODY AND I THINK IT WOULD BE NICE IF WE WERE TO REFLECT ON AN OATH EACH OF US TOOK IN THE VERY FIRST WEEK OF JANUARY THAT OATH SAID AND WE ALL SWORE TO IT I SOLEMNLY SWEAR IN THE PRESENCE OF ALMIGHTY GOD THAT I WILL WELL AND FAITHFULLY SUPPORT THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES THE LAWS OF THE UNITED STATES APPLICABLE TO GUAM AND THE LAWS OF GUAM AND THAT I WILL CONSCIENTIOUSLY AND IMPARTIALLY DISCHARGE MY DUTIES AS A MEMBER OF *LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN* THAT WAS AN OATH TAKEN BEFORE GOD AND IT WAS AN OATH MADE TO THE PEOPLE WE HAVE SUFFERED A CRIME THAT IS OUR DUTY IT IS NOT OUR OPTION IT IS OUR DUTY TO INVESTIGATE THAT CRIME THIS IS NOT AN ISSUE FOR THE ETHICS COMMITTEE THIS IS NOT AN ISSUE THAT OUGHT TO BE BURIED NEVER TO SEE THE LIGHT OF DAY AGAIN THIS IS AN ISSUE WHICH WE MUST PERFORM AND INVESTIGATE WITH ALACRITY AND HONESTY AS WELL AS A REGARD FOR THE FACT THAT NOT ALL OF US NONE OF US WILL CONTINUE IN THIS BODY FOREVER WE HAVE AN OBLIGATION TO THE INSTITUTION OF THE LEGISLATURE IF WE RECEIVE AN INJURY FROM OUTSIDE OR INSIDE THIS BODY WE DO NOT HAVE AN OPTION ON WHETHER WE ARE

GOING TO INVESTIGATE IT WE ARE GOING TO INVESTIGATE IT TO SIT BACK AND ASSUME THAT THIS WAS JUST ONE OF THOSE THINGS THAT HAPPENS IN THE GUAM LEGISLATURE IS WRONG MEMBERS WHO THINK ALONG THOSE LINES ARE ABJURING THEIR RESPONSIBILITY TO THE PEOPLE OF GUAM AND THEY ARE VIOLATING THEIR OATH THIS ISSUE IS SO STRAIGHTFORWARD AND SO OBVIOUS AND SO CLEAR AND SO NECESSARY THAT IT IS FRANKLY DISTURBING THAT WE ARE EVEN DEBATING IT I'M A LITTLE I AM MORE THAN A LITTLE CONCERNED I'M ABSOLUTELY CONCERNED THAT THERE IS NOT MORE CONCERN IN THIS BODY FOR RESPONSE TO THAT CRIME MA'AM I LOOK FORWARD TO HEARING DEBATE FROM MEMBERS OF THE BODY I LOOK FORWARD TO HEARING WHY I AM MISTAKEN IN MY BELIEF THAT CRIMINAL ACTIVITY AGAINST THE PEOPLE'S LEGISLATURE SHOULD NOT BE INVESTIGATED BY THE PEOPLE'S LEGISLATURE THANK YOU MA'AM.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** THANK YOU SENATOR ON THE RESOLUTION SENATOR DUEÑAS YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

**SENATOR DUEÑAS:** *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* MADAM CHAIR AND I CERTAINLY RISE IN FULL SUPPORT OF RESOLUTION 67-37 WE BEGAN TODAY BY TALKING ABOUT THINGS THAT BILLS DO AND DON'T DO I WANT TO TALK ABOUT WHAT THIS RESOLUTION DOES AND DOESN'T DO AND WHY IT'S APPROPRIATE FOR US TO MOVE IT ON THE FLOOR RESOLUTION SIXTY SEVEN THIRTY SEVEN LS HAS BEEN INTRODUCED AND CO-SPONSORED INTRODUCED BY THOMAS J. FISHER FRANK F. BLAS, JR. JESSE A. LUJAN JOANNE M. BROWN TELO T. TAITAGUE CHRIS MALAFUNKSHUN BARNETT AND CHRISTOPHER M. DUEÑAS THE TITLE OF THIS RESOLUTION IS RELATIVE TO THE 37TH GUAM LEGISLATURE STANDING RULE 11.10 TO ESTABLISH A SPECIAL INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE TO INVESTIGATE A POTENTIAL ATTEMPT TO CORRUPTLY AND CRIMINALLY INFLUENCE THE LEGISLATIVE DEBATE OF *I LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN* TAKING PLACE ON OR ABOUT MARCH 21 2023 OUR STANDING RULES STATE THIS MADAM SPEAKER ON LINE FIVE WHEREAS ON PAGE EIGHTY AND EIGHTY ONE OF THESE STANDING RULES IT ADDRESSES SPECIAL INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE STATES EXCEPT AS PROVIDED BY THE RULES NO COMMITTEE FOR THE INVESTIGATION OR ANY SPECIAL SUBJECT SHALL BE AUTHORIZED EXCEPT PURSUANT TO A LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION WHICH WE'RE DOING NOW WHICH SHALL BE APPROVED BY THE AFFIRMATIVE VOTE OF A MAJORITY OF ITS MEMBERS TO A LEGISLATIVE *I LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN* THE SECOND REQUIREMENT IS THE SUBJECT AND PURPOSE OF THE INVESTIGATION SHALL BE EXPRESSED IN THE TITLE OF THE LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION AND THE SCOPE OF THE INVESTIGATION SHALL BE CONSISTENT WITH THE SUBJECT AND PURPOSES SO EXPRESSED NO SUCH COMMITTEE SHALL HAVE THE AUTHORITY TO EXTEND ITS INVESTIGATIONS TO SUBJECTS NOT SO EXPRESSED NOR BEYOND THE SCOPE OF THE INDICATED RESOLUTION I LOOK FORWARD TO DEBATE TOO MADAM SPEAKER BECAUSE I WANT TO LISTEN TO ANYONE ON THIS BODY AND ON THIS FLOOR EXPRESS HOW WE HAVE NOT MET THE CONDITIONS OF OUR STANDING RULES THE EXPLICIT INSTRUCTIONS IN TERMS OF WHAT HAD HAPPENED AND AN ATTACHMENT OF THE PROGRESSIVE DEMOCRATS OF GUAM WEBSITE ONE JULIAN JANSSEN THE MANAGER OF RIGHT HERE IS THE ATTACHMENT AND THE FAKE THE FAKE AMENDMENT THAT WAS CRIMINALLY PROPAGATED BY THIS INDIVIDUAL AND THIS PROGRESSIVE DEMOCRATS OF GUAM WEBPAGE SOCIAL MEDIA IT'S ATTACHED TO THE RESOLUTION SO MADAM CHAIR IF THIS BODY HONESTLY CAN BE HONEST TO ITSELF AND SIT HERE AND NOT TAKE THIS MATTER SERIOUSLY KNOWING THAT A CRIMINAL COMPLAINT HAS BEEN FILED BY MYSELF IT'S BEEN WIDELY PUBLICIZED IN THE MEDIA THAT THE GUAM POLICE DEPARTMENT IS CURRENTLY CONDUCTING AN INVESTIGATION A CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION AND MADAM CHAIR MADAM CHAIR THIS IS NOT ABOUT ME THIS ACTIVITY OF ONE JULIAN JANSSEN AND THE PROGRESSIVE DEMOCRATS OF GUAM HAVE NOT JUST PUT OUT A CRIMINAL DOCUMENT IS NOW AIDING AND ABETTING AND CLAIMING I SURE HOPE OUR RULES CHAIR SUPPORTS THIS IS CLAIMING THAT THIS CAME FROM OUR HOUSE MADAM SPEAKER THAT HAS BEEN WIDELY CIRCULATED IN THE MEDIA THAT THIS ONE JULIAN JANSSEN THE PURVEYOR OF PROGRESSIVE DEMOCRATS OF GUAM WEBSITE FACEBOOK PAGE HIS INITIAL RESPONSE WAS HE RECEIVED IT FROM THE CLERKS OR A CLERK OF THE GUAM LEGISLATURE I WOULD BE ABSOLUTELY FLABBERGASTED AND APPALLED IF THIS BODY WOULD NOT WANT TO PROTECT ITSELF FROM THAT SLANDER THERE'S NO OTHER THING TO CALL IT MADAM SPEAKER NOW THIS PARTICULAR INDIVIDUAL HAS AMNESIA CONVENIENT AMNESIA DOES ONE JULIAN JANSSEN HAVE I FORGOT WHO TOLD ME YOU KNOW MADAM SPEAKER THERE'S A COMMON STATEMENT IN THE RULE OF LAW AND THE ATTEMPT TO EXECUTE LAW WHEN YOU'D INVESTIGATE CRIMINAL ACTIVITY OR ANY INAPPROPRIATE ACTIVITY MADAM SPEAKER IT'S OFTEN SAID IT'S NOT THE CRIME IT'S THE COVER-UP THAT CREATES THE ISSUE WE BELIEVE THIS GOES PERHAPS EVEN ALL THE WAY DOWN TO THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE AND I UNDERSTAND THE GOVERNOR'S BEEN VERY ACTIVE ON THIS ONE BECAUSE SOME MEMBERS HAVE TOLD ME THEIR PHONE IS BLOWING UP GOD ISN'T THAT FAMILIAR ISN'T THAT FAMILIAR FOR THIS ENTIRE LAST TWO SESSIONS THAT WE'VE HAD EMERGENCY SESSION SPECIAL SESSION NOW REGULAR SESSION I MEAN MIGHT AS WELL MAKE A CHAIR FOR THE GOVERNOR COME ON DOWN THIS IS YOUR HOUSE I GUESS IF THAT'S THE INFLUENCE THAT YOU EXERT OVER EVERY MEMBER OR ATTEMPT

TO EXERT OVER EVERY MEMBER ON THIS FLOOR WE'LL SEE WHO GOES ALONG WITH IT MY GOODNESS TO NOT EVEN BE ABLE TO DO THE PEOPLE'S BUSINESS BECAUSE OF YOUR PHONE BLOWING UP AND GETTING TEXT BY THE GOVERNOR OF GUAM DON'T PASS THAT RESOLUTION MADAM SPEAKER IF WE CAN'T DO THIS WE MIGHT AS WELL JUST ADJOURN THIS SESSION SINE DIE *SI YU'OS MA'ÅSE'*.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** THANK YOU SENATOR ON THE RESOLUTION SIXTY SEVEN THIRTY SEVEN LS SENATOR PARKINSON YOU'RE RECOGNIZED.

**SENATOR PARKINSON:** THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER I WOULD LIKE TO PROFFER TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES CHAIR HOW MUCH IS ARE IS GOING TO BE APPROPRIATED TO THIS INVESTIGATIVE UNIT IN TERMS OF REAL DOLLARS.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** WILL THE COMMITTEE ON RULES CHAIR YIELD.

**SENATOR BARNETT:** SURE WOULD MA'AM I DON'T THINK WE'RE THERE YET AS WE HAVEN'T EVEN FINISHED DISCUSSING THIS RESOLUTION BUT AS SOON AS WE ASCERTAIN THE BALLPARK FIGURE I'D BE MORE THAN WILLING TO SHARE THAT WITH NOT JUST THE MEMBER WHO'S INQUIRING BUT THE BODY AS A WHOLE MA'AM THANK YOU.

**SENATOR DUEÑAS:** POINT OF INFORMATION CHAIR.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** SENATOR PARKINSON.

**SENATOR DUEÑAS:** POINT OF INFORMATION.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** WHAT IS PLEASE STATE YOUR POINT OF INFORMATION.

**SENATOR DUEÑAS:** IT WON'T COST LEGISLATURE OR ANYTHING AND IF IT DOES I WILL TRANSFER WHATEVER RESOURCES OUT OF MY OFFICE BUDGET THAT'S REQUIRED FOR IT.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** THANK YOU SENATOR SENATOR PARKINSON YOU HAVE THE FLOOR.

**SENATOR PARKINSON:** THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER I CAN UNDERSTAND SOME MEMBERS DESIRE FOR JUSTICE AND THEIR ZEAL TO PURSUE IT BUT AS MEMBERS OF THIS BODY HAVE ALREADY SAID THERE HAS ALREADY BEEN A CRIMINAL COMPLAINT FILED THERE IS ALREADY AN ONGOING INVESTIGATION AND I THINK IT WOULD BE PREMATURE OF OUR BODY OF THIS BODY AND FRANKLY BELOW THIS BODY TO JOIN IN WHAT APPEARS TO ME TO BE A POLITICAL WITCH HUNT AGAINST PEOPLE WHO FRANKLY HAVE A LONG HISTORY OF CRITICIZING SOME OF THE CO-SPONSORS OF THIS MEASURE AND I DON'T THINK IT SERVES THE DIGNITY OF THIS BODY TO ENTERTAIN SUCH A MEASURE ON A POLITICAL WITCH HUNT VERSUS THE PROGRESSIVE DEMOCRATS OF GUAM AND *ADELUP* I THINK WE SHOULD LET THE POLICE DO THEIR JOB AND WE SHOULD JUST STAY OUT OF IT AND STAY OUT OF OUR LANE AND WITH THAT I YIELD THE REST OF MY TIME.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** THANK YOU SENATOR PARKINSON ON THE RESOLUTION IS THERE ANYONE ELSE THAT LIKE TO BE RECOGNIZED SENATOR BLAS YOU'RE RECOGNIZED.

**SENATOR BLAS:** THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER MADAM SPEAKER I STAND IN FULL SUPPORT OF THE RESOLUTION AND I JUST LIKE TO BE ABLE TO QUOTE PART E CENTRAL OPERATIONS RULE FOURTEEN PERSONAL RULES AND REGULATIONS AND OUR STANDING RULES AND THE PART IN PARTICULAR THIS SUBSECTION G STANDARD OF CONDUCT AN EMPLOYEE SHALL DEVOTE FULL-TIME AND ATTENTION TO THE EMPLOYEES DUTIES DURING WORKING HOURS THE EMPLOYEE'S CONDUCT BOTH PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SHALL BE SUCH AS TO BRING HONOR AND RESPECT TO THE EMPLOYEES OFFICE AND *I LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* ALL EMPLOYEES MUST EXTEND DUE IN PROPER COURTESY AND RESPECT TO THE MEMBERS OF *I LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* NO EMPLOYEE SHALL ACTIVELY CAMPAIGN AGAINST ANY POLITICAL CANDIDATE OF THAT EMPLOYEE'S OWN PARTY AS REFLECTED ON THE EMPLOYEES VOTER REGISTRATION RECORD THERE MUST HAVE BEEN A REASON WHY WE PUT THAT IN OUR STANDING RULES THAT REASON IS SO THAT WE CAN PROTECT THE INTEGRITY AND THE DUTY THAT THIS BODY PROVIDES TO THE PEOPLE WHAT THIS RESOLUTION CALLS FOR IT'S NOT A WITCH HUNT IT'S TO FIRST ASCERTAIN IF THE CLAIM THAT WAS MADE THAT THE DOCUMENT THE FALSE DOCUMENT HAD ORIGINATED OR WAS PRODUCED BY AN INDIVIDUAL ATTACHED TO THIS BODY WHETHER IT BE A AN EMPLOYEE OR A MEMBER HIMSELF OR HERSELF THAT'S WHAT THIS IS FOR YES THERE IS A CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION THAT IS OCCURRING BECAUSE IT'S A CRIME AND THEY'RE INVESTIGATING THE CRIME WHAT THIS COMMITTEE WHAT THIS INVESTIGATIVE COMMITTEE WILL LOOK TO DO IS TO EITHER COME FACTUALLY OR DISCOUNT THE FACT THAT

IT WAS IN FACT ABOUT THE DOCUMENT WAS IN FACT A PRODUCT OF THIS BODY AND IF SO IF IT IS THEN SUBSECTION G OF THIS SECTION APPLIES IT IS VERY SAFE TO ASSUME AN ASCERTAIN THAT BREACH OF THIS SUBSTANDARD OF THE SUB SECTION COMES WITH CONSEQUENCE BECAUSE FOR THIS BODY OR FOR US TO SAY THAT IT IS NOT NECESSARY TO CONDUCT THIS INVESTIGATION IS NOT NECESSARY TO LOOK INTO WHETHER OR NOT THERE IS IN FACT MISCONDUCT THEN WE'RE JUST GOING TO SAY THAT WE JUST MIGHT AS WELL FORGET THE STANDING RULES IN FACT THAT'S WHAT A VOTE AGAINST THIS RESOLUTION WILL BE THAT FORGET THE CONDUCT FORGET THE MISGIVINGS FORGET THE CRIME THAT COULD BE COMMITTED BY THIS BODY BECAUSE DON'T MATTER TO US IS THAT WHAT WE REALLY WANT TAKE AWAY THE PERSONALITIES IN THIS LET'S FORGET THAT THIS HAPPENED TO A PARTICULAR MEMBER OF THIS BODY LET'S LET'S SAY IT HAPPENED TO ANOTHER MEMBER OF THIS BODY AS A MATTER OF FACT I SAID IT HAPPENED TO ANOTHER MEMBER OF THIS BODY IN A DIFFERENT PARTY AFFILIATION NOW THIS THEN DOES IT BECOME RELEVANT I DON'T SEE ANYTHING HERE IN THE RULES OF CONDUCT THE STANDARD OF CONDUCT SAYS THAT SO YOU'VE GOT TO MAKE UP OUR MINDS YOU KNOW SOMETIMES YES WE FIND IT DIFFICULT TO BE ABLE TO WANT TO ACCEPT THAT THESE ARE OUR RULES BUT YOU KNOW EVEN AFTER IT'S DONE I KNOW MAYBE IT'S BECAUSE OF MY MILITARY BACKGROUND AND ONCE THE LAWFUL ORDER IS GIVEN YOU FOLLOW IT THERE'S NOTHING UNLAWFUL ABOUT THIS SUBSECTION THERE'S NOTHING UNLAWFUL ABOUT THE CREATION OF THE COMMITTEE BUT WHAT WILL BE CRIMINAL IS WHEN WE'RE GOING TO SAY NEVER MIND THE STANDARD OF CONDUCT AND IF THAT WERE THE CASE IMAGINE WHAT THE REST OF THE COMMUNITY IS GOING TO FEEL ABOUT THIS LEGISLATURE FOR THE REST OF OUR TERM THANK YOU VERY MUCH MADAM SPEAKER.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** THANK YOU SENATOR ON THE RESOLUTION IS THERE ANY OTHER SENATOR SENATOR BARNETT YOU'RE RECOGNIZED.

**SENATOR BARNETT:** THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER I JUST WANTED TO SPEAK A LITTLE BIT I FEEL LIKE I'M BEING PUT IN A POSITION WHERE I IT WOULD BEHOOVE ME TO SHARE WHAT INFORMATION I CAN ON ON WHAT MY COMMITTEE HAS DONE SINCE THIS INCIDENT OCCURRED HERE ON THE FLOOR OF THE SESSION HALL AND AND TO BE CLEAR THE MEDIA REPORTS THAT QUOTED THIS INDIVIDUAL FROM THE PROGRESSIVE DEMOCRATS OF GUAM WHICH I WOULD LIKE TO NOTE IS IS NOT REGISTER WITH THE GUAM ELECTION COMMISSION AS A POLITICAL ENTITY AT LEAST TO MY KNOWLEDGE BUT THEY'RE ACTUALLY CONFLICTING REPORTS THAT RAN IN THE MEDIA AND ONE LOCAL PAPER THE INDIVIDUAL WHO ADMITTED TO POSTING THIS FALSIFIED DOCUMENT HAS SAID THAT HE HAD GOT IT FROM AN EMPLOYEE OF THE LEGISLATURE'S CENTRAL OFFICE HOWEVER IN ANOTHER LOCAL NEWSPAPER THERE ARE ONLY TWO REALLY THIS INDIVIDUAL WHO HEADS AGAIN THE PROGRESSIVE DEMOCRATS OF GUAM GROUP SAID THAT HE HAD HEARD IT CAME FROM THE CENTRAL OFFICE AND AND SO OF COURSE I WANTED TO TAKE THE INITIATIVE AS THE COMMITTEE ON RULES CHAIR TO MAKE SURE THAT THAT NO ONE UNDER MY SUPERVISION OR THE SUPERVISION OF THIS COMMITTEE WAS INVOLVED IN IN THIS INCIDENT AND I'M GOING TO DEFEND MY MY STAFF BECAUSE WE HAVE CONDUCTED A CURSORY DIGITAL FORENSIC REVIEW OF OUR PROCESSES HERE IN IN THE CENTRAL OFFICE THE PROCESS IN WHICH AMENDMENTS ARE ARE PROFFERED INTO OUR OUR DRIVE THE PROCESS IN WHICH THOSE AMENDMENTS MAKE IT TO THE FLOOR IN IN THE FORM OF A PRINTED COPY AND I JUST WANT TO STATE FOR THE RECORD OFFICIALLY THAT AS PER OUR FORENSIC DIGITAL REVIEW IT WAS CONDUCTED IN-HOUSE GRANTED WE DIDN'T FIND ANY RECORD OF THIS FALSE AMENDMENT IN OUR SYSTEM OR ANYWHERE ALONG THE CHAIN FROM INTRODUCTION TO PRINTING THERE WAS NO RECORD OF OF THIS AMENDMENT TO BEING FORMULATED THERE IS NO RECORD THAT THIS AMENDMENT EXISTED IN THE CENTRAL COMPUTER SYSTEM WE HAVE ALSO SINCE INITIATED CONTACT WITH A COMPANY THAT A PROFESSIONAL COMPANY THAT INVESTIGATES THESE TYPES OF THINGS IN FACT I BELIEVE THIS COMPANY HAS INVESTIGATED ONE DATA BREACH VERY RECENTLY IN THE GOVERNMENT OF GUAM AND SO OF COURSE I SUPPORT THE INTENT OF THIS RESOLUTION BUT I JUST WANTED TO MADAM SPEAKER IF I COULD JUST STATE FOR THE RECORD OFFICIALLY THAT I AS THE COMMITTEE ON RULES CHAIR I HAVE NOT BEEN SITTING ON MY HANDS I DON'T KNOW IF THEY COULD HANDLE THAT WEIGHT BUT I HAVEN'T BEEN SITTING ON MY HANDS I'VE BEEN TRYING TO DO MY DUE DILIGENCE TO AT LEAST ASCERTAIN ON MY END SO THAT I COULD SAY COMFORTABLY THAT TO THE HEAD OF THIS PROGRESSIVE DEMOCRAT GROUP THAT THAT I BEG TO DIFFER WITH ALL DUE RESPECT THAT THERE IS NOTHING THAT I HAVE DISCOVERED OR MY STAFF HAS DISCOVERED IN FACT THE STAFF HERE AT CENTRAL DOESN'T EVEN KNOW WHO THIS INDIVIDUAL IS AND SO I RISE IN DEFENSE OF THE STAFF HERE AT THE LEGISLATURE THE CENTRAL OFFICE STAFF THE CLERK STAFF WORK VERY VERY HARD FOR US AS A BODY THEY'RE HERE EVERY MINUTE THAT WE'RE HERE ON THE FLOOR LATE INTO THE NIGHT OFTENTIMES AFTER YOU GUYS GO HOME TO DO WHAT YOU DO AT YOUR HOUSE THESE GUYS ARE STILL HERE WORKING AND SO I WAS OFFENDED THAT SOMEONE WOULD DARE ATTACK THE HARD-

WORKING EMPLOYEES OF THE CENTRAL OFFICE OF THE LEGISLATURE AND SO I JUST WANTED TO JUST RISE AGAIN IN DEFENSE OF THE STAFF HERE WHO I BELIEVE THEY'RE VERY HARD WORKERS GENUINE THEY'RE INVESTED IN THE PROCESS THAT WE LIVE BY HERE *I NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** THANK YOU SENATOR ON THE RESOLUTION SENATOR TAITAGUE YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

**SENATOR TAITAGUE:** GOOD AFTERNOON MADAM SPEAKER AND THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK ON RESOLUTION 67-37 I SUPPORT THIS RESOLUTION SO IF ANYONE OUT THERE IS SAYING WELL WHY IS TELO TALKING ABOUT SENDING IT BACK OR EVEN HEARD A RUMOR THAT THEY WANT TO TAKE MY NAME OFF THE RESOLUTION WHICH THAT'S THE PRIOR YOU KNOW IF THAT'S WHAT THE AUTHOR OF THE LEGISLATION WANTS TO DO OR THE RESOLUTION WANTS TO DO THAT'S FINE BUT I DO STAND SUPPORT IN SUPPORT OF THIS RESOLUTION BUT WHAT I DON'T AGREE WITH IS IT BEING PLACED ON THE SESSION AGENDA I'LL SAY THAT ONE TO THE END MADAM SPEAKER DEFAMATION SLANDER ALL THOSE THINGS THAT YOU KNOW INDIVIDUALS ARE SENT TO COURT FOR TO BE CHARGED FOR AND WHETHER IT'S JAIL TIME OR A FINE PEOPLE WHO WANT TO RUIN THE REPUTATION OF AN INDIVIDUAL TRYING TO DO THEIR BEST BY CREATING LIES I KNOW BECAUSE I ACTUALLY HAD THAT SAME SITUATION HAPPEN TO ME IN THE 35TH GUAM LEGISLATURE AND IN THE 36TH PEOPLE MAKING UP THINGS BECAUSE THEY KNOW WHEN WHEN IT GETS INTO THE SOCIAL WHEN GETS INTO SOCIAL MEDIA OR INTO THE PAPER LIKE IT'S ASSUMED PEOPLE DON'T HEAR THE WORD IT'S ASSUMED OR THIS MIGHT HAPPEN IT GETS INTO THE MEDIA AND EVERYBODY ALREADY HAS YOU GUILTY AND IT'S UNFORTUNATE PEOPLE STILL BELIEVE IN THAT WITHOUT REALLY KNOWING THE TRUTH WITHOUT AN INVESTIGATION WITHOUT ANYTHING THAT CAN PROVE WHATEVER WAS SAID IS TRUTHFUL IN FACT I EVEN WENT TO AN ATTORNEY A REALLY GOOD ATTORNEY HERE ON THIS ISLAND TO ASK THEM I'D LIKE TO FILE A CHARGE I'D LIKE TO SUE THIS INDIVIDUAL FOR SLANDER BUT YOU KNOW WHAT HE SAID TO ME IT'S SO DIFFICULT TO DO THAT TELO BECAUSE YOU'RE IN THE PUBLIC EYE YOU ARE A PUBLIC SERVANT IT'S ALMOST IMPOSSIBLE IN FACT HE WAS MENTIONING ABOUT CONGRESS IN THE U.S. CONGRESS THEM LOOKING AT SITUATIONS LIKE THAT WHERE SLANDER A DEFAMATION OF CHARACTER TO CONGRESS PEOPLE SENATORS CONGRESSMEN THEY'RE TRYING TO FIND SOME TYPE OF LEEWAY TO ALLOW THAT TYPE OF JUSTICE FOR THOSE SERVING FOR THE PUBLIC SO IN THE MEANTIME WE STILL HAVE TO TAKE TAKE IT AND THEN EXPLAIN WITH A HUNDRED REEMAILS AND PHONE CALLS TO TRY TO EXPLAIN OURSELVES TO JUSTIFY NO THIS IS NOT TRUE THIS IS WHAT I SAID AND IT'S UNFORTUNATE FOR ALL OF US BECAUSE IT IT HAPPENS IT'S HAPPENED TO EVERYONE IN HERE I'M PRETTY SURE BUT UNFORTUNATELY WE HAVE NO RECOURSE THIS IS THE BEGINNING OF SOMETHING A RECOURSE THIS IS THE BEGINNING TO MAKE IT CLEAR OUT THERE ANYTIME ANYTHING LIKE THIS COMES UP WE'VE SET PRECEDENCE WE WILL INVESTIGATE WE WILL FIND OUT WE WILL PROVE THAT YOU SLANDERED AN INDIVIDUAL YOU'VE CAUSED HARM TO THEIR REPUTATION BUT MOST OF ALL MADAM SPEAKER AN INDIVIDUAL WHO WILL GO AFTER ONE OF US JUST BECAUSE THEY HEARD A RUMOR THAT WHAT THEY DON'T KNOW IF IT'S TRUE THEY JUST HEARD THIS RUMOR AND DECIDE TO GO AND ATTACK THAT INDIVIDUAL WORSE OUR OWN FAMILIES AND GO AFTER THEM YOU CONTROL EVERYONE IN HERE CONTROLS WHAT YOU SAY ON THE MICROPHONE EVERYONE CONTROLS WHAT THEY SAY WHEN THEY SEND OUT A PRESS RELEASE AND THEN IF WHATEVER YOU REALLY SAY TRUTHFULLY AND SOMEONE WANTS TO QUESTION YOUR INTEGRITY OR QUESTION YOUR DECISION ON SOMETHING THEN THEN FINE THEY WILL HAVE TO DEAL WITH IT BUT WHEN THINGS ARE BEING MADE UP WE NEED SOME HELP AND IF IT MEANS HIS BODY IS THE ONE TO HELP US THEN WE'RE GOING TO HAVE TO DO THAT AND PROVIDE THE FBI OR ANYBODY ELSE GPD ALL THE INFORMATION THAT WE'VE GATHERED SO THAT THEY HAVE THAT TO GO AFTER THE INDIVIDUAL I REMEMBER ONE TIME MADAM SPEAKER IT WAS IN THE 36TH GUAM LEGISLATURE A WHOLE BILL IT WAS ABOUT THE EMERGENCY BILL THAT WAS CIRCULATED ON SOCIAL MEDIA AND IT HAD ALL THESE NAMES ON IT LOOKED JUST LIKE A BILL AND IT WAS CIRCULATING FOUND OUT THAT IT WAS A MEDIA GROUP THAT SENT THAT OUT IT HAD NOTHING TO DO WITH ANY OF US HERE NOBODY KNEW ABOUT IT BUT IT WAS STRUCTURED FORMATTED JUST LIKE A REGULAR BILL WE SHOULD ADDRESS THIS BACK THERE IN THE 36TH WHEN THAT CAME OUT BUT GUESS WHAT A NEW ONE CAME OUT THIS TIME IT'S AN AMENDMENT WHAT'S NEXT UNTIL WE DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT I'M GLAD SENATOR IS WILLING TO TAKE CARE OF THE COST IF THERE IS ANY COST TO INVESTIGATE I JUST WISH THE RESOLUTION DIDN'T HAVE AN INDIVIDUAL'S NAME HERE AT ALL TIME YOU KNOW I MEAN UNDERSTAND IT'S A RESOLUTION BUT THIS IS NOT A DEMOCRAT THIS IS NOT A REPUBLICAN THAT WE WERE SUPPORTING HERE FOR THIS RESOLUTION WHERE THIS IS SUPPORTING EVERY ONE OF US THIS IS ABOUT THE COLLEAGUES THAT SIT IN THIS THIS HALL WHOSE SACRIFICE THEIR TIME AWAY FROM HOME THIS IS ABOUT EVERY ONE OF US BUT MADAM SPEAKER WHERE I FALL SHORT ON MY VOTE FOR THIS IS BECAUSE WE ALL AGREED WE ALL AGREED THAT WHATEVER WHENEVER ANYTHING A BILL RESOLUTION ANYTHING THAT ON THE SESSION AGENDA WHEN WE GO TO COMMITTEE ON THE RULES TO PLACE IT ON THE



AGENDA THAT IT'LL BE THERE BECAUSE WE'RE NOT GOING TO START ADDING ON ANYTHING WHEN WE'RE IN SESSION WE SAW THAT HAPPEN AND WAS ABUSED IN THE 35TH AND IN THE 36TH IT WAS SO ABUSED NOW WE HAVE A RESOLUTION IN FRONT OF US THAT JUST GOT ON TODAY DIDN'T EVEN MEET THE OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO SEE WHAT THE AGENDA IS MAYBE SOMEBODY WANTED MAYBE THE PUBLIC WANTED TO HEAR WHAT WAS GOING TO BE SAID AND WOULD HAVE TAKEN THE TIME TO LISTEN TO WHAT HOW HOW WE ARE GOING TO MOVE THIS RESOLUTION AND THE COMMENTS MADE BY MY COLLEAGUES BUT IT WAS JUST PUT ON THIS MORNING REGARDLESS THIS HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH YOU KNOW OPEN WITH THAT A BILL HAS TO HAVE A PUBLIC HEARING NO NO NO NO NO NO THIS IS ABOUT AN AGENDA THAT WE ARE ADDRESSING DURING THIS TIME AND I'VE BEEN ONE THAT HAS BEEN VERY VOCAL AND BEEN FIGHTING ABOUT IT THAT IT MUST BE ON THE AGENDA BEFORE WE PUT IT ON THE SESSION FLOOR NOW I'M HOPING THAT MY GOOD COLLEAGUE WOULD CONSIDER CONSIDER WAITING AND PUTTING THIS ON THE NEXT SESSION AGENDA TO ADDRESS THIS ALSO GIVES US AN OPPORTUNITY TO FIND OUT HOW MUCH THIS IS GOING TO COST AND EVEN PROVIDE AMENDMENTS TO THIS RESOLUTION THAT WE JUST GOT AT TEN SOMETHING THIS MORNING AMENDMENTS THAT MIGHT MAKE THIS RESOLUTION EVEN STRONGER SO THOUGH I STAND IN FULL SUPPORT OF THIS RESOLUTION AND THE INTENT OF THIS RESOLUTION YOU KNOW I JUST CANNOT VOTE FOR SOMETHING THAT WE DIDN'T HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO BE ABLE BE NOTIFIED THE AGENDA THAT YOU PUT OUT MADAM CHAIR MADAM SPEAKER AN AGENDA YOU PUT OUT AS SOON AS THAT AGENDA COMES OUT YOU PUT IT OUT RIGHT AWAY SO IT MEETS THAT FIVE-DAY RULE AND THAT'S ALL I'M ASKING FOR MY COLLEAGUES BECAUSE THIS IS GOING TO OPEN PANDORA'S BOX IF WE DON'T STICK TO THAT RULE THANK YOU MADAM CHAIR SPEAKER.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** THANK YOU SENATOR ON THE RESOLUTION IS THERE ANYONE ELSE WHO WOULD LIKE TO BE RECOGNIZED ON THE RESOLUTION SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN YOU'RE RECOGNIZED.

**SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN:** THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER YOU KNOW AS AS I'M READING THE RESOLUTION I HAVE NO PROBLEM WITH PAGE ONE PAGE TWO UP TO NUMBER FIVE LINE FIVE ANYTHING AFTER THAT ON TO PAGE THREE TO THE PART WHERE TRYING TO FIND IT WHAT BOTHERS ME IS THAT THESE RESOLUTION IS ALL DRIVEN BY BECAUSE OF ONE INCIDENT IT SHOULDN'T ANY INCIDENT THAT HAPPENS TO ANY OF US IN THE LEGISLATURE THAT'S WHAT THIS RESOLUTION SHOULD BE ABOUT SURE CAN YOU USE AN EXAMPLE WHAT HAPPENED BUT IT SHOULDN'T BE DRIVEN THAT IT'S BECAUSE WHAT I'M TO ONE OF MY COLLEAGUES BECAUSE I DON'T AGREE WHAT HAPPENED TO HIM I DON'T SUPPORT WHAT HAPPENED TO HIM I HOPE THEY GET PROSECUTED LIKE ONE OF MY COLLEAGUES SAID HIS BACKGROUND IN THE MILITARY LAST THING ORDERS I RETIRED FROM THE MILITARY SO I KNOW WHAT THE LAST THING ORDER WAS ALL ABOUT MOST OF THAT COLLEAGUE OF MINE IS THE FORMER POLICE OFFICER LIKE ME YOU DO THE INVESTIGATION WE DO IT TO THE BEST OF OUR ABILITY BUT WE NEVER IDENTIFY A NAME WHEN WE MISS INVESTIGATE WE NEVER LET IT BE KNOWN WE DO THE INVESTIGATION AND WE HAVE ENOUGH EVIDENCE THEN WE LOCK YOU UP EASY IF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL FIGURED IT OUT BUT WITH THIS RESOLUTION LIKE I MENTIONED PAGE ONE NO PROBLEM PAGE TWO LINE ONE TO SIX NO OBJECTION NOW FROM SIX TO TWENTY FIVE I MEAN I'M NOT EVEN TO SURE YEAH MAYBE TWENTY FIVE LINE ONE TWO THREE I'D STRIKE THAT OUT BUT I ALSO MENTIONED TO THE AUTHOR OF THIS OF THIS RESOLUTION THEN AT THE ETHICS COMMITTEE HANDLE THIS WHY BECAUSE IF THERE'S AN ETHICAL VALUE ETHIC VIOLATION DEAL WITH IT IF THERE'S A CRIME REPORT IT VERY SIMPLE AND THEN WE DON'T HAVE TO BE CONCERNED ABOUT ANY FUNDING BECAUSE WE HAVE AN ETHICS COMMITTEE THAT CURRENTLY DOESN'T ENTERTAIN IT'S NOT ENTERTAINING ANY ETHICS COMPLAINT IT CAN HANDLE INVESTIGATION OF OF THIS NATURE AND THEY CAN IN THE COMMITTEE ON RULES WILL BE HAPPY BECAUSE YOU DON'T HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT ANYTHING THEN THE MICROSCOPE WOULD MAKE SURE THAT HIS OFFICE BECAUSE I DO BELIEVE EVERYBODY IN THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OR CENTRAL OFFICE THEY STAND UP THEY'RE PROUD THEY WORK HARD NO DOUBT ABOUT THAT BUT BUT THAT'S MY OBJECTION I BROUGHT THIS UP TO THE AUTHOR AND UNTIL THOSE ARE STRIKED OUT I WON'T SUPPORT THIS BECAUSE I WANT IT TO BE FOR ALL OF US FROM WHAT HAPPENED AND MOVING FORWARD THANK YOU.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** THANK YOU SENATOR ON THE RESOLUTION IS THERE ANYONE ELSE WHO'D LIKE TO BE RECOGNIZED IF NOT THEN THE SPONSOR MAY CLOSE ON THE RESOLUTION SENATOR FISHER YOU ARE RECOGNIZED SENATOR LUJAN YOU'RE RECOGNIZED MY APOLOGIES.

**SENATOR LUJAN:** THANK YOU MUCH THANK YOU VERY MUCH MADAM SPEAKER MADAM SPEAKER I AM STANDING FULL SUPPORT OF OF THIS RESOLUTION YOU KNOW THESE ARE HOLLOWED HALLS THAT WERE THAT WE'RE IN AND OBVIOUSLY THERE'S A CRIME THAT HAD BEEN COMMITTED AND TO ALLOW FOR SUCH TO OCCUR I KNOW HAS BEEN SAID THAT IT'S BEEN INVESTIGATED AND FORENSICS HAS BEEN DONE I DON'T KNOW IF IT

HOW COMPLETE IT IS AT THIS POINT AND AND I'M SURE IT IS AS AS AS THOROUGH AS POSSIBLE THAT TO TO THIS POINT THAT MAYBE IT DIDN'T OCCUR WITHIN THESE HOLLOWED HALLS BUT ARE WE FOR SURE THAT IT DIDN'T HAPPEN WITH PEOPLE ASSOCIATED WITH A THIS HALLOWED HALLS ARE WE SURE ABOUT THAT AND ONE OF THE THINGS THAT THAT WE'VE HEARD FROM THE GOVERNOR'S SPOKESPERSON THEY SAID THEY HAVE NOTHING TO DO WITH IT I MEAN NONE OF THEIR STAFF HAVE HAVE ANYTHING TO DO WITH IT BRINGS TO A GOOD QUESTION REALLY AND I SAID WOW THAT MEANS THEY HAVE DONE THE INVESTIGATION AND HAVE RULED OUT ALL SUSPECTED INDIVIDUALS WHO MAY HAVE BEEN SUSPECTED TO HAVE DONE SUCH AN ACT AND IF THAT'S THE CASE BECAUSE HOW COULD YOU RULE SOMETHING NOW HOW COULD YOU SAY IT DIDN'T IT DIDN'T HAPPEN HERE WE HAVE NOTHING TO DO WITH IT EVERYONE IS CLEAR HOW CAN YOU SAY THAT IF YOU HAVEN'T DONE AN INVESTIGATION MY NEXT QUESTION IS IF YOU'RE GOING THAT FAR TO SAY NO ONE HAS ANYTHING TO DO WITH IT FOLKS HAVE BEEN CLEARED THERE HAS TO BE SOME COMMUNICATION BETWEEN INDIVIDUALS BEING INVESTIGATED AND AND CONTRAPMENTS COMPUTERS AND ALL THAT THAT THERE HAS TO BE COMMUNICATION THAT ALLOWED FOR SUCH THINGS INVESTIGATION TO HAPPEN I'M HOPING THAT THIS BODY WOULD FOIA ALL THAT INFORMATION TO REALLY MAKE SURE THAT THAT HAS BEEN DONE AND TO RULE OUT ANYTHING THAT OCCURRED BECAUSE AGAIN IT MAY NOT HAVE HAPPENED IN THESE HOLLOWED HALLS BUT IT COULD WITHOUT FURTHER INVESTIGATION IT COULD HAVE HAPPENED WITH PEOPLE WHO WERE ASSOCIATED ONCE ASSOCIATED OR MAYBE JUST DISLIKE FOR THIS HALLOWED HALLS OH WE NEED TO GET TO THE BOTTOM OF IT BECAUSE AGAIN FALSE NARRATIVES PROMOTED BY GROUPS OR INDIVIDUALS MADAM SPEAKER CAN INFLUENCE THE GENERAL PUBLIC INTO TAKING ACTION A CERTAIN POSITION OR ACCEPTING AND BELIEVE REGARDLESS REGARDLESS OF WHETHER OR NOT THE NARRATIVE REFLECTS THE TRUTH OR NOT CAN BE HARMFUL TO THE TARGETED INDIVIDUAL OR INDIVIDUALS OR INSTITUTION AT THAT PARTY YOU KNOW TODAY'S TODAY'S TECHNOLOGY IS SO ADVANCED THAT PERPETUATING THESE FALSE NARRATIVES IS ACCOMPLISHED AND ACCEPTED WITHOUT ANY DIFFICULTY SO SPREADING MISINFORMATION ISN'T TOLERABLE IT IT YEAH WE WE DO NOT IT MUST NOT TOLERATE SPREADING MISINFORMATION REGARDING THE NEWS OR WHAT HAPPENS ESPECIALLY IN THESE HOLLOWED HALLS WE MAKE LAWS IN HERE WE PASS BILLS WE MAKE LAWS AND WE DEFINITELY SHOULD NOT SHOULD NOT EVER TOLERATE SPREADING MISINFORMATION REGARDING LAWS OR LAWMAKERS THIS IS ATTACK NOT JUST ON AN INDIVIDUAL BUT THE INSTITUTION AND AND AGAIN PUT YOURSELVES ON THIS PARTICULAR INDIVIDUAL IT COULD BE YOU IT COULD BE ANY ONE OF US THE ATTACK OF AN INDIVIDUAL IS AN ATTACK ON THE INSTITUTION AND IF WE ARE GOING TO CONTINUE TO REFER TO THE PEOPLE'S HOUSE AS HALLOWED HALLS WE MUST AGAIN RESTORE THE MEANING OF THAT HALLOWED HALLS A PLACE OF RESPECT ADMIRABLE IMPORTANT A GOOD REPUTATION TO DO OTHERWISE TO BE CONDONING THIS TYPE OF ACTION VERY DANGEROUS VERY DANGEROUS THE INVESTIGATIVE PROCESS ON FINDING OUT WHO THE PERPETRATORS MAY BE WILL OUTLIVE THIS 37TH GUAM LEGISLATURE LONG AFTER WE'RE GONE THIS WILL SET A PRESIDENTS AND AGAIN TO NEVER DO THIS IN THESE HOLLOWED HALLS A GREAT DISRESPECT AND DISHONOR AND AGAIN ANYTHING THAT COMES OUT OF ANYTHING THAT RESEMBLES ANYTHING THAT COMES OUT OF THESE HALLOWED HALLS MADAM SPEAKER IS ALMOST TAKEN AS GOSPEL TRUTH I KNOW THAT THAT EVENING THAT IT HAPPENED WE RAN ON RECESS I KNOW I WAS APPROACHED I DIDN'T KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT IT AND THIS THIS THIS PERSON THAT APPROACHED ME WAS FURIOUS WAS FURIOUS AND AND AGAIN FURIOUS AT THE INSTITUTION WE AS BEING PART OF THAT INSTITUTION IT WAS A VERY DANGEROUS THING THAT THAT THAT THAT THAT HAPPENED SOMEONE COULD HAVE EASILY GOTTEN HURT FAMILIES COULD HAVE EASILY GOTTEN HURT FOR WHAT REASON A FALSE NARRATIVE FALSE INFORMATION THAT'S OUT THERE SO MADAM SPEAKER I I STAND IN FULL SUPPORT OF THIS RESOLUTION AGAIN WE NEED TO NOTHING ELSE RESTORED THE DIGNITY OF THESE HOLLOWED HALLS RESPECT AND HONOR FOR THE MEN AND WOMEN THAT CREATED THE PEOPLE'S HOUSE AND LEFT IT FOR US TO LEAVE IT TO THE NEXT GENERATION AND TODAY IS THE START OF THAT THIS CANNOT BE TOLERATED I FULLY SUPPORT THIS RESOLUTION MA'AM MADAM SPEAKER THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** THANK YOU SENATOR LUJAN ON THE MOTION SENATOR BROWN YOU'RE RECOGNIZED ON THE ON THE RESO.

**SENATOR BROWN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH MADAM SPEAKER I ALSO RISE IN SUPPORT OF RESOLUTION NUMBER SIXTY SEVEN YOU KNOW THIS WAS AN UNFORTUNATE INCIDENT AND IN THIS PARTICULAR CASE IT JUST HAPPENED TO HAPPEN TO SOMEONE HERE ON OUR SIDE OF THE AISLE BUT AS MENTIONED BY PREVIOUS SPEAKERS THIS COULD HAPPEN TO ANYONE I MEAN WE NOW LIVE IN A DAY OF SOCIAL MEDIA WE NOW LIVE IN A DAY WHERE INFORMATION CAN MOVE VERY QUICKLY AND ALSO AT A TIME WHERE DOCUMENTS INCLUDING OFFICIAL DOCUMENTS CAN BE SO EASILY MANIPULATED AND PRESENTED TO BE PROPER LEGAL DOCUMENTS

WHEN THEY'RE NOT THIS PARTICULAR SITUATION AS I MENTIONED COULD HAVE HAPPENED TO ANYONE IN THIS FLOOR IT COULD HAPPEN AGAIN YOU KNOW THERE ARE PARTIES OUT THERE THAT THIS IS WHAT THEY DO THEY WANT TO INFLUENCE THE POLITICAL DYNAMIC AND IF YOU DON'T PLAY BALL WITH THEM WELL THEN YOU BECOME THEIR TARGET I'M SURE I'M NOT THE ONLY ONE WE'VE HAD OTHER SPEAKERS THAT HAVE GOTTEN UP WHO HAVE BEEN THE RECIPIENTS OF THIS SORT OF THING NOW PEOPLE CAN SAY WHAT THEY WANT TO SAY BUT WHEN YOU TAKE AN OFFICIAL DOCUMENT OF THE GOVERNMENT IN THIS PARTICULAR CASE AN OFFICIAL DOCUMENT AT THIS LEGISLATURE AND MISREPRESENTED AS SOMETHING ELSE WELL WE NEED TO BE CONCERNED ABOUT THAT BECAUSE I'VE ALWAYS BEEN CONCERNED WE DON'T EVEN KNOW IF WE PASS BILLS HERE WHETHER THEY'RE MANIPULATED EVEN AFTER THEY'RE SENT THAT'S WHY IT'S CRITICALLY IMPORTANT WHAT THE RECORD IS AND WHAT'S KEPT HERE BECAUSE IT CAN SO EASILY BE CHANGED JUST A MATTER OF A CLICK ON A COMPUTER THERE HAS TO BE A PROCESS OF ALSO ACCOUNTABILITY SO THAT ANYONE AND EVERYONE OUT THERE KNOWS THAT THIS IS JUST NOT THE THING YOU DO I MEAN IT'S ALMOST WE'VE COME TO A DAY OF ANYTHING GOES AS LONG AS YOU GET AWAY WITH IT IT'S OKAY LET'S PLAY THAT GAME ANYONE CAN DO THIS THERE'S NOTHING MIRACULOUSLY SMART OR SHARP ABOUT PEOPLE THAT ABUSE THE PROCESS ANY ONE OF US COULD DO THIS MAYBE SOME OF US JUST HAVE SOME YOU KNOW SENSE OF MORALS OR SENSE OF CONSCIENCE THAT KEEP US FROM DOING THINGS THAT OTHERS HAVE NO YOU KNOW THEY ACTUALLY ENJOY IT THIS IS GAME FOR THEM YOU KNOW THEY LIKE TO SIT IN THE BACKGROUND AND PLAY AND THEY WANT TO INFLUENCE THE PUBLIC DYNAMIC THEY WANT TO INFLUENCE THE DECISIONS THAT ARE BEING MADE OR HARASS ALL OF US AT SOME POINT I'M SURE HAVE FELT THAT THAT'S WHY YOU KNOW WHEN THEY SAY IF YOU ENTER POLITICS YOU HAVE TO HAVE THICK SKIN VERY THICK SKIN BECAUSE OH MY GOODNESS IF YOU DON'T YOU WON'T SURVIVE IT BECOMES VERY VERY VERY VERY VERY DISTASTEFUL AND I CERTAINLY HOPE THIS RESOLUTION PASSES MADAM SPEAKER I HOPE THAT WE DO COLLECTIVELY GET TO THE BOTTOM OF THIS I CERTAINLY HOPE THAT THE PARTIES THAT ARE RESPONSIBLE ARE HELD RESPONSIBLE SO THAT THEY DON'T DO THIS SORT OF THING AGAIN THEY DON'T MANIPULATE THE PROCESS IF THEY WANT TO DO AMENDMENTS IN THE FLOOR OF THE LEGISLATION THEN BY ALL MEANS RUN FOR OFFICE HAVE THE PEOPLE VOTE FOR YOU AND HAVE THE ELECTION COMMISSION CERTIFY YOU AND COME ON THIS FLOOR AND YOU KNOW WRITE WHATEVER AMENDMENT YOU WANT AND IF YOU DON'T GO THROUGH THAT PROCESS THEN YOU KNOW WHAT YOU DON'T GET TO DO THIS SORT OF THING THERE HAS TO BE SOME STANDARD I'M SURE EVERY GENERATION LOOKS BACK AND THINKS *AI ADAI* WHERE ARE WE GOING THERE'S NO RESPECT ANYMORE NO RESPECT EVEN FOR THE PROCESS OF MAKING LEGISLATION FOR THE PEOPLE NO RESPECT IN THE HALLS OF THIS LEGISLATURE AND NO RESPECT IN HOW WE DO WHAT WE DO OR HOW WE CONDUCT OURSELVES AND OTHERS THINK YOU KNOW THEY GET TO DO THAT TOO AND IT'S UNFORTUNATE BECAUSE I DON'T I DON'T KNOW HOW WE'RE GOING TO DO BETTER FOR OUR PEOPLE I ASSUME OUR PURPOSE FOR BEING HERE IS TO MAKE AND DO BETTER DECISIONS FOR OUR PEOPLE TO MAKE BETTER POLICY TO IMPROVE THE QUALITY ULTIMATELY THE QUALITY OF LIFE OF OUR PEOPLE AND YOU KNOW WHAT MADAM SPEAKER PEOPLE THAT DO THIS AND ABUSE THE SYSTEM THEY NEED TO BE PUT ON NOTICE THIS IS NOT OKAY THERE ARE BARRIERS YOU JUST DON'T GET TO CROSS YOU JUST DON'T GET TO DO THIS SORT OF THING AND GET AWAY WITH IT AND YOU KNOW IT'S INTERESTING YOU KNOW THE THE PRESSURE THAT'S BEING PUT ON SOME MEMBERS OF THIS BODY THE PHONE CALLS YOU KNOW MY COLLEAGUES TALKED ABOUT EARLIER IT'S AMAZING I'VE BEEN HERE A LONG TIME THAT'S GOD THIS TIME AROUND LIKE WHOA WHO'S IN CHARGE WHY IS ANYONE IN CHARGE OF ANYBODY HERE I SURE AS HECK YOU KNOW MAKE MY DECISIONS BECAUSE I MAKE THEM I DON'T HAVE TO ANSWER TO TOO MANY PEOPLE BUT BOY YEAH BECAUSE MAYBE WHO KNOWS WHERE THIS INVESTIGATION MAY LEAD IT'LL BE INTERESTING I'M SURE THE PEOPLE OF GUAM WILL BE VERY INTERESTED AS WELL IN KNOWING WHERE ALL THIS CAME FROM SO I DEFINITELY RISE IN SUPPORT OF THIS RESOLUTION MADAM SPEAKER AND I'M HOPEFUL THAT WE JUST DON'T GO DOWN THIS ROAD AGAIN THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR THE OPPORTUNITY AND I DO STAND IN FULL SUPPORT OF THIS RESOLUTION.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** THANK YOU SENATOR BROWN ON THE RESOLUTION IS THERE ANYONE ELSE WHO'D LIKE TO BE RECOGNIZED ON THE RESO IF NOT THEN SPONSOR MAY CLOSE SENATOR FISHER YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

**SENATOR FISHER:** THANK YOU MADAM CHAIR THANK YOU I'VE BEEN PRACTICING LAW FOR ROUGHLY THIRTY FIVE YEARS IN VARIOUS PLACES BUT PRIMARILY PRIMARILY HERE ON GUAM OF COURSE PRACTICING LAW HERE FOR ABOUT THIRTY YEARS AND IN THE COURSE OF THAT PRACTICE OF LAW I HAVE GROWN TO LOVE THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES AND THE ORGANIC ACT VERY MUCH MA'AM SINCE I RECEIVED THE HONOR OF HAVING A CHAIR IN THE 37TH GUAM LEGISLATURE I'VE NEVER ENTERED THIS CHAMBER WITHOUT CARRYING A COPY OF THE CONSTITUTION I'VE NEVER ENTERED THIS CHAMBER WITHOUT CARRYING A COPY OF THE ORGANIC ACT OF GUAM I HAVE A DEEP RESPECT AND A DEEP LOVE FOR THIS HOUSE I HAVE A DEEP RESPECT

AND A DEEP LOVE FOR THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH OF THIS ISLAND I HAVE DEEP RESPECT AND DEEP LOVE FOR THE JUDICIARY OF THIS ISLAND THESE THREE ENTITIES CAME INTO BEING BECAUSE OF THE GENIUS OF THE CREATORS OF THIS UNION OF WHICH WE ARE APART NOW WE CAN CONTINUE TO HAVE THIS UNION WE CAN CONTINUE TO HAVE THIS ELECTIVE DEMOCRATIC BODY SO LONG AS WE ARE WILLING TO KEEP IT IF WE WILL NOT DEMONSTRATE A WILLINGNESS TO PROTECT OURSELVES AND OUR COLLEAGUES AND THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH AND THE JUDICIARY THEN SURE AS NIGHT FOLLOWS DAY WE WILL LOSE THIS INSTITUTION WE WILL LOSE THE UNION A SENATOR OF THIS HOUSE WAS ENDANGERED BY A CRIME A SENATOR OF THIS HOUSE WAS ENDANGERED BY A LIE AND I GET THE IMPRESSION I HOPE I AM MISTAKEN THAT IT DOESN'T BOTHER SOME PEOPLE THAT THEY LOOK AT THIS AS MERELY YET ANOTHER POLITICAL TRICK IT IS INDEED A POLITICAL TRICK IT IS INDEED A CRIME IT IS INDEED A CRIME AIMED AT THE VERY BODY IN WHICH WE ALL SIT I SENSE BUT DO NOT KNOW THAT A POLITICAL WIND IS BLOWING THROUGH THIS CHAMBER RIGHT NOW AND THAT POLITICAL WIND IS PUSHING PEOPLE AWAY FROM WHAT THEY KNOW TO BE THE RIGHT THING TO DO WE AS A BODY CAN CERTAINLY INVESTIGATE THIS ACTION DESPITE WHATEVER WHAT ANY OTHER AGENCY IS DOING WE HAVE AN OBLIGATION TO GET OUR HOUSE IN ORDER WE HAVE AN OBLIGATION TO PROTECT OUR FRIENDS IN THE HOUSE AND IN THIS AND IN THE LEGISLATURE HOW DO WE DO THAT WE PROTECT THEM BY SHOWING THAT WE ARE IN FACT SERIOUS ABOUT OUR JOBS WE ARE SERIOUS ABOUT THEIR SAFETY AND MORE IMPORTANTLY WE ARE SERIOUS ABOUT THE TRUTH WHEREVER IT LEADS US THAT WE MIGHT ALLOW THE POLITICAL WISHES OF AN INDIVIDUAL TO PERVERT THE HOUSE TO INJECT A PERVERSE ACT INTO THIS HOUSE AND DO NOTHING BRIGADES THIS BODY WITH SHAME I ASK THAT ALL MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE JOIN IN SUPPORT OF THIS RESOLUTION AND PURGE THIS BODY OF ANY SUCH SHAME AN INDIVIDUAL HAS RISEN AND CHARACTERIZED WHAT THIS RESOLUTION ATTEMPTS TO DO AS A POLITICAL WITCH HUNT IT'S DIFFICULT TO UNDERSTAND HOW IT MIGHT BE A WITCH HUNT WHEN THE EVIDENCE BEFORE US AS WE HAVE ALREADY HEARD DESCRIBES DEMONSTRATES THE CRIME WE ACTUALLY HAVE WE ACTUALLY HAVE THE CRIMINAL INSTRUMENT THIS IS NO WITCH HUNT THIS IS A HUNT FOR THE TRUTH THIS IS A HUNT TO ROOT OUT THOSE INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE NO LOVE FOR THIS BODY THOSE INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE NO LOVE FOR THE CONSTITUTION THOSE INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE NO LOVE FOR THE ORGANIC ACT OF GUAM AND THOSE INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE NO LOVE FOR GUAM HOW IS IT POSSIBLE THAT YOU COULD ESPOUSE AN AFFECTION A LOVE FOR YOUR ISLAND YET ASSIST IN DESTROYING A PILLAR OF THE SOCIETY HOW IS IT POSSIBLE YOU COULD ESPOUSE A LOVE FOR GUAM YET TURN A BLIND EYE TO A CRIME THAT IS AFFECTING THIS HOUSE THAT CONCLUSION THAT WE NEED NOT INVESTIGATE IS NOT READILY COMPREHENSIBLE THIS AS I SAID IN THE OPENING REMARKS IS SUCH AN OBVIOUS THING TO DO THAT THE FACT THAT WE STAND HERE IN SUPPORT AND OPPOSITION OF IT IS PUZZLING SUPPORT IS OBVIOUS OPPOSITION IS BAFFLING I REPEAT HOW IS IT POSSIBLE FOR MY BROTHERS AND SISTERS NOT TO WANT TO PROTECT ME WHY DO THEY TURN A BLIND EYE TO AN ASSAULT ON ME HOW COULD THEY HAVE SO LITTLE REGARD FOR ME I TOO AM A MEMBER OF THE LEGISLATURE I TOO AM SUBJECT TO THIS SORT OF WOUND NOW MADAM SPEAKER IT WAS NOT HYPERBOLE WHEN A SENATOR EARLIER STATED THAT THE INDIVIDUAL WHO WAS THE NAMED VICTIM OF THIS ACT WAS PLACED IN PHYSICAL DANGER ONE OF THE THINGS I LEARNED WHEN I BECAME AN ADULT AND ENTERED THE WORKFORCE IS YOU NEVER NEVER INTERFERE WITH ANOTHER INDIVIDUAL'S PAYCHECK YOU DON'T KNOW WHAT THAT PAYCHECK IS GOING TOWARDS YOU DON'T KNOW WHAT KIND OF ANGER A THREAT TO THAT PAYCHECK MAY ENGENDER A PERSON IS LIVING PAYCHECK TO PAYCHECK THEY'RE TRYING TO FIGURE OUT HOW THEY'RE GOING TO STRETCH THEIR PRESCRIPTION MEDICINES TILL THE END OF THE MONTH BECAUSE THEY CAN'T BUY ANYMORE AND THIS ADDITIONAL STRESSOR IS ALLEGED I TELL YOU MADAM SPEAKER THAT IS THE SORT OF ACTION WHICH MAY ENGENDER RAGE AMONG AN INDIVIDUAL WHICH MAY HAVE AN OBVIOUS AND PERHAPS A NOT SO OBVIOUS CONSEQUENCE THE POINT BEING THAT I WAS ENDANGERED THE NAMED INDIVIDUAL WAS ENDANGERED THIRTEEN OF MY OTHER BROTHERS AND SISTERS WERE ENDANGERED AND SOME PEOPLE ARE WILLING TO TURN A BLIND EYE TO THAT I AM NOT AS I SAID I LOVE THIS HOUSE THIS HOUSE CONSISTS OF FIFTEEN OF MY BROTHERS AND SISTERS AS WELL AS THE LEGISLATIVE STAFF I HAVE AN OBLIGATION TO PROTECT THEM THEY HAVE A MUTUAL OBLIGATION TO PROTECT ME WE WILL DO SO BY INVESTIGATING THIS INCIDENT WE WILL DO SO BY INVESTIGATING THIS INCIDENT AND WE WILL FOLLOW THE EVIDENCE WHEREVER IT GOES EARLIER ONE OF MY COLLEAGUES EXPRESSED CONCERN THAT THIS HAD NOT PROCEDURALLY MET WHAT THIS INDIVIDUAL FELT WAS REQUIRED WHILE I RESPECT THAT ARGUMENT I DISAGREE WITH THE CONCLUSION NOW THIS IS AN EMERGENT SITUATION MADAM SPEAKER AN EMERGENT SITUATION IT IS NOT SOMETHING THAT CAN WAIT FOR THE NEXT SESSION FOR AN OBVIOUS REASON CRIMINALS HIDE THE TOOLS OF THEIR TRADE THIS IS CALLED EVANESCENT EVIDENCE THAT IS THE REASON WHY WHEN YOU GET PULLED OVER FOR DRINKING AND DRIVING THE POLICE CAN TAKE YOUR BLOOD IT'S CLEARLY A FOURTH AMENDMENT SEARCH BUT THE COURTS ALLOW IT BECAUSE THAT EVIDENCE DISAPPEARS AND HAS A

TENDENCY TO SLIP AWAY FROM US AND SLIP AWAY FROM OUR HANDS IT'S EVANESCENT HARD DRIVES ARE BEING SCRUBBED SMARTPHONES ARE BEING LOST ANY OTHER DEVICE ANY MEMORANDUM ANYTHING THAT IMPLICATES SOMEBODY IS NOW BEING DESTROYED AND THAT IS THE REASON THIS IS AN EMERGENCY WE NEED NOT STAND OR SIT IDLY BY WHILE THE WOUND IS EXACERBATED WHILE SALT IS RUBBED INTO THAT RULE THAT WOUND WE HAVE AN OBLIGATION TO ACT IT IS SIMPLY THAT CLEAR NOW IT HAS ALSO BEEN RAISED AS I BELIEVE A BIT OF A RED HERRING THAT THIS IS AN ISSUE WHICH SHOULD GO TO THE ETHICS COMMITTEE I WOULD ASK US TO THINK ABOUT WHETHER OR NOT IF A SHOOTER GOD FORBID WE'RE OUTSIDE THE HALL AND FIRED A BULLET THROUGH THE WINDOW THAT IS A MATTER WHICH SHOULD BE REFERRED TO THE ETHICS COMMITTEE I WON'T GO INTO THE TECHNICAL ASPECT OF THE FACT THAT THERE'S ABSOLUTELY NO JURISDICTION FOR THE ETHICS COMMITTEE TO ACT IN THIS MATTER UNLESS IT WAS ONE OF US WHO BEHAVED IN THIS WAY THAT IS SIMPLY NON-SEQUITUR IT IS A NON-STARTER IT IS A RED HERRING I WOULD BE SURPRISED IF ANY COLLEAGUE RELIED ON THAT TRAIN OF THOUGHT NOW MR WELL ANOTHER GENTLEMAN SUGGESTED THAT THE LEGISLATURE HAD ALSO CONDUCTED A PRELIMINARY I BELIEVE WAS THE WORD USED AND INVESTIGATION FOR VERY GOOD REASONS I'M SURE THE MORALE.

**SENATOR BARNETT:** POINT OF PRIVILEGE MADAM SPEAKER THE WORD WAS CURSORY.

**SENATOR FISHER:** CURSORY.

**SENATOR BARNETT:** THANK YOU.

**SENATOR FISHER:** YES MA'AM THINK THANK YOU FOR THE CORRECTION I'M SORRY IS THERE.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** PLEASE PROCEED SENATOR FISHER.

**SENATOR FISHER:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH MA'AM I'LL JUST AMEND THAT AND SAY A CURSORY INVESTIGATION THE FACT AND I CONGRATULATE HIM ON DOING THAT I UNDERSTAND PRECISELY WHY HE'S DOING THAT HE'S GOT A STAFF THAT I'M SURE IS DEMORALIZED BY MR. JANSSEN'S ACTIONS HOWEVER THE EXISTENCE OF THAT CURSORY INVESTIGATION REVEALS WHY THIS MUST GO FORWARD QUESTIONS HAVE TO BE ANSWERED WHY WAS THIS FALSITY DROPPED SO TO SPEAK IN THE COURSE OF A DEBATE WHAT WAS THE INTENT BEHIND THE DROPPING OF THIS FALSE AMENDMENT THAT STATEMENT BY THE GENTLEMAN WHO HAS BEGUN THE INVESTIGATION INDICATES THAT THIS INVESTIGATION SHOULD GO FORWARD NOW MA'AM I'M JUST MA'AM I WILL CLOSE NOW I WILL CLOSE BY JUST MAKING THE OBSERVATION THAT WE ARE ALL OF US IN THIS TOGETHER WE ALL OF US MUST HAVE EACH OTHER'S BACKS SO TO SPEAK WE MUST CONDUCT THIS INVESTIGATION WHEREVER IT GOES THANK YOU VERY MUCH MA'AM.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** THANK YOU SENATOR SO ON THAT MOTION TO PLACE RESOLUTION 67-37 LS ON THE THIRD READING FILE IS THERE ANY OBJECTION THERE'S AN OBJECTION ON THE MOTION TO PLACE RESOLUTION SIXTY SEVEN THIRTY SEVEN LS ONTO THE THIRD READING FILE ALL IN FAVOR PLEASE RAISE YOUR HAND.

**SENATOR DUEÑAS:** POINT OF INFORMATION MADAM CHAIR.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** PLEASE STATE YOUR POINT OF INFORMATION.

**SENATOR DUEÑAS:** AT THIS POINT I'D LIKE TO CALL THE HOUSE THERE'S MEMBERS THAT AREN'T HERE AND WITH THE EXCEPTION OF ANYONE WHO IS OFF ISLAND MAKE A MOTION TO CALL THE HOUSE.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** THERE'S A MOTION FOR CALL OF THE HOUSE ALL IN FAVOR PLEASE RAISE YOUR HAND SIX.

**SENATOR BARNETT:** POINT OF INQUIRY MA'AM SORRY.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** PLEASE STATE YOUR POINT IF A MEMBER IS PHYSICALLY ILL OR OTHERWISE CHALLENGED WITH THEIR PHYSICAL WELL-BEING WHAT DOES THAT MEAN WHEN WE CALL FOR THE HOUSE THANK YOU MA'AM.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** I BELIEVE THERE'S A RULE THAT THE MOTION HAS TO HAVE AN EXCEPTION.

**SENATOR DUEÑAS:** POINT OF INQUIRY MADAM CHAIR HAVE WE RECEIVED ANY NOTIFICATION TO THE SPEAKER OR ANY MEMBER OF THE LEGISLATURE THAT THERE IS ANY INDIVIDUAL I'M NOT CURRENTLY IN SESSION THAT HAS ANY PHYSICAL AILMENT OR UNABLE TO ATTEND SESSION FOR VOTING.

**SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN:** I RECEIVED THAT CALL AND I'VE ADVISED THE LEGISLATIVE SECRETARY.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN PLEASE PLEASE HAVE A POINT OF INFORMATION PLEASE STATE YOUR CALL YOUR POINT OF INFORMATION.

**SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN:** YES MADAM SPEAKER I RECEIVED THAT CALL AND I ADVISED THE LEGISLATIVE SECRETARY THE MAJORITY LEADER SO SHE CAN ASK FOR THAT ANYBODY NOT HERE BE EXCUSED FROM ANY VOTING FOR TODAY.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** I AM NOT AWARE IS THERE A DID YOU SAY YOU RECEIVED A CALL I AM NOT AWARE.

**SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN:** YES I RECEIVED A CALL FROM OUR COLLEAGUE HE'S HE'S TECHNICALLY UNABLE HE'S AT HOME RIGHT NOW HOPEFULLY GET HE'LL BE BETTER BY TOMORROW SO CALLED UNDER THE WEATHER.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** ALRIGHT A ONE MINUTE RECESS.

**RECESS**

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** *I MINA'TRENTAI SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN* IS BACK IN SESSION WE'RE BACK FROM RECESS AND WE LEFT OFF THERE WAS A MOTION FOR A CALL OF THE HOUSE AND WE WERE TRYING TO CONFIRM WHETHER OUR MEMBER WAS EXCUSED I HAVE CONFIRMED THAT HE IS ABSENT DUE TO IN AN ILLNESS AND SO HE IS EXCUSED SO SENATOR DUEÑAS ON THE MOTION FOR THE CALL OF THE HOUSE WOULD YOU LIKE TO PROCEED.

**SENATOR DUEÑAS:** SO MADAM CHAIR AT THIS TIME I WITHDRAW THAT AND RE MOVE TO RECESS UNTIL 2:00 P.M. TOMORROW TO ALLOW THE INDIVIDUAL TO RECOVER AND COME AND VOTE WITH US WE CAN VOTE AT TWO TOMORROW MADAM CHAIR.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** ALRIGHT SO WE.

**SENATOR DUEÑAS:** THERE IS A CONSENSUS ON THE FLOOR.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** ARE ON THE VOTE TO MOVE THE RESOLUTION 67-37 TO THE THIRD READING FILE.

**SENATOR DUEÑAS:** CORRECT SO WE'LL RECESS TILL TWO TO TAKE UP THAT VOTE WHEN ALL WHEN ALL MEMBERS WHO ARE WHO ARE ABLE TO BE HERE ON ISLAND CAN COME AND VOTE.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** ALRIGHT.

**SENATOR DUEÑAS:** AND THEN WE MOVE TO THE TO THE THIRD READING FILE FOR OTHER MATTERS.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** SO DISCUSSION WE'LL BE OVER ON THIS RESOLUTION WE WILL VOTE ON WHETHER TO PLACE IT ON THE THIRD READING FILE OR NOT AND THEN WE WILL PROCEED THERE WAS NO OTHER ITEMS IN THE SECOND READING.

**SENATOR PARKINSON:** CAN WE AMEND THE AMENDMENT MAKE IT TWO FIFTEEN.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** YES.

**SENATOR DUEÑAS:** TWO FIFTEEN NO PROBLEM MADAM CHAIR.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** ALRIGHT SO ON THE MOTION TO RECESS UNTIL TWO FIFTEEN TOMORROW IS THERE ANY OBJECTION SEEING NO OBJECTION WE'RE IN RECESS UNTIL TWO FIFTEEN TOMORROW.

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**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** *I MINA'TRENTAI SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* IS BACK IN SESSION WELCOME BACK COLLEAGUES WE LEFT OFF YESTERDAY WE WERE ON THE SECOND READING FILE WE WERE DISCUSSING RESOLUTION 67-37 LS THERE WAS A DEBATE HAD ENDED AND THERE WAS A MOTION TO PLACE THE RESOLUTION ON THE THIRD READING FILE AND WE WERE ABOUT TO TAKE A VOTE ON THAT MOTION THERE'S A CALL FOR ROLL CALL SECOND CALL FOR ROLL CALL THIRD CALL FOR ROLL CALL SO WE'LL TAKE A ROLL CALL VOTE ON THE MOTION TO PLACE THE BILL ON THE THIRD READING FILE I MEAN SORRY TO PLACE THE RESOLUTION 67-37 LS BECAUSE WE TOOK A BREAK MAYBE I WOULD ASK THE SPONSOR TO JUST READ THE TITLE OF THE RESOLUTION ONE MORE TIME.

**SENATOR FISHER:** THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER RESOLUTION 67-37 RELATIVE TO THE 37TH GUAM LEGISLATURE'S STANDING RULE 11.10 TO ESTABLISH A SPECIAL INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE TO INVESTIGATE A POTENTIAL ATTEMPT TO CORRUPTLY AND CRIMINALLY INFLUENCE THE LEGISLATIVE DEBATE OF *I LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* TAKING PLACE HONOR ABOUT MARCH 21ST 2023 *SI YU'OS MA'ÅSE'* CLERKS PLEASE TAKE ROLL CALL ON THE VOTE TO PLACE RESOLUTION 67-37 LS INTO THE THIRD READING FILE.

**SUBSTITUTE CLERK OF THE LEGISLATURE:** SENATOR BARNETT (AYE) SENATOR BLAS (AYE) SENATOR BROWN (AYE) SENATOR DUEÑAS (AYE) SENATOR FISHER (AYE) SENATOR LUJAN (AYE) VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES (PASS) SENATOR PARKINSON (NAY) SENATOR PEREZ (AYE) SENATOR QUINATA (NAY) SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN (NAY) SENATOR SAN NICOLAS (AYE) SENATOR SHELTON (NAY) SENATOR TAITAGUE (NAY) SPEAKER TERLAJE (AYE) VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES (NAY).

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** THE MOTION TO PLACE RESOLUTION NUMBER 67-37 LS IS PASSED ALL RIGHT WE'RE STILL ON SECOND READING WE'RE RETURNING TO THOSE ITEMS THAT WERE EARLIER SET ASIDE WE ARE NOW ON BILL NUMBER 27-37 COR SPONSORED BY VICE SPEAKER TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES VICE SPEAKER YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

**VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES:** *SI YU'OS MA'ÅSE'* MADAM SPEAKER MADAM SPEAKER I'D LIKE TO MOVE TO PLACE BILL NUMBER 27-37 COR WHICH IS AN ACT TO ADD A NEW SUBSECTION M TO SECTION 8501 ARTICLE 5 CHAPTER 8 TITLE FOUR GUAM CODE ANNOTATED INTO AMEND SECTION 8503C OF ARTICLE 5 CHAPTER 8 TITLE 4 GUAM CODE ANNOTATED RELATIVE TO THE RETIREMENT OF THE PUBLIC SAFETY AND LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS WHO ARE MEMBERS OF THE DEFINED BENEFIT 1.75 RETIREMENT SYSTEM ONTO THE THIRD READING AND MADAM SPEAKER I'D LIKE TO DISCUSS PLEASE PLEASE PROCEED.

**VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES:** *SI YU'OS MA'ÅSE' TALU'* SPEAKER TERLAJE SPEAKER TERLAJE THIS BILL SEEKS TO CORRECT AN UNINTENDED CONSEQUENCES RESULTING FROM LANGUAGE CONTAINED IN PUBLIC LAW 36-130 THAT WE PASSED IN THE 36TH GUAM LEGISLATURE THE LEGISLATIVE INTENT MADAM SPEAKER PROVIDES MORE DETAIL ON WHAT ON WHAT THE UNINTENDED CONSEQUENCES ARE WITH THE TWO AMENDMENTS MAKING IT CLEAR WHICH PUBLIC SAFETY AND LAW ENFORCEMENT POSITIONS ARE ELIGIBLE FOR THE CHANGES TO THE DB 1.75 PLAN PRIOR TO THE PUBLIC HEARING MADAM SPEAKER MY STAFF IDENTIFIED ONE CLASS OF POSITIONS WHICH IS THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS PAROLE OFFICERS THAT WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE PROPOSED LANGUAGE CONTAINED IN SECTION TWO I WANT TO SHARE WITH YOU MADAM SPEAKER THAT DURING THE HEARING TESTIMONY FROM SEVERAL DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION PAROLE OFFICERS ALSO ASKED TO HAVE THEIR PRECISION TITLES INCLUDED AS ELIGIBLE THE COMMITTEE UH MADAM SPEAKER HAS AMENDED THE BILL TO INCLUDE THE POSITION OF PAROLE OFFICER AND THAT IS THE ONLY AMENDMENT TO BILL 27-37 COR I ALSO WANT TO NOTE MADAM SPEAKER THAT THERE WAS A FISCAL NOTE THAT WAS PROVIDED FROM BBMR THE BUREAU OF BUDGET AND MANAGEMENT RESEARCH AND THEIR FINDINGS WAS BASED ON THE FOREGOING PROVISIONS IN THE SUBJECT LEGISLATION OR ADMINISTRATIVE IN NATURE AND WOULD NOT FISCALLY IMPACT

THE GOVERNMENT OF GUAM'S APPROPRIATION IN FISCAL YEAR 2023 MADAM SPEAKER I ALSO WANT TO NOTE THAT RETIREMENT HAS WORKED VERY CLOSELY WITH ME AND THESE EFFORTS TO MAKE SURE THAT WE CLEAR THE UNINTENDED CONSEQUENCES IN THAT THAT THIS MEASURE BE PUT ON THE FLOOR SO I HUMBLLY ASK MY COLLEAGUES IF THEY COULD PLEASE SUPPORT THIS EFFORT AND I HOPE FOR THEIR VOTE SO *UN DANKGLO NA SI YU'OS MA'ÅSE'* FOR GIVING ME THE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK AND I ASK MY COLLEAGUES TO RISE AND SUPPORT ALSO *SI YU'OS MA'ÅSE'*.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** *SI YU'OS MA'ÅSE'* SENATOR VICE SPEAKER ON THE MOTION TO PLACE BILL 27-37 COR ONTO THE THIRD READING WOULD ANY OTHER SENATOR LIKE TO BE RECOGNIZED SENATOR FISHER YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

**SENATOR FISHER:** THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER I RISE TO ASK A QUESTION OF THE SPONSOR.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** PLEASE STATE YOUR QUESTION.

**SENATOR FISHER:** YES THE QUESTION IS WHY ARE ENTOMOLOGISTS INCLUDED AS PEACE OFFICERS.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** WILL THE SPONSOR YIELD.

**VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES:** MADAM SPEAKER I'LL DO THAT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE WHEN THAT WAS PROCEEDED IN THE PREVIOUS PUBLIC LAW 36-1 30 IT WAS PROVIDED THEN AND IT WAS INCORPORATED INTO STATUTES SO AS FAR AS ME KNOWING WHY ENTOMOLOGISTS WERE INCLUDED IN THIS PROVISION I WOULDN'T BE ABLE TO SPEAK ON BEHALF OF MY FORMER COLLEAGUES BUT I WAS THERE DURING THE VOTE ON PUBLIC LAW 36-130.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** OKAY THANK YOU.

**SENATOR FISHER:** THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** ALL RIGHT IS WOULD ANY OTHER SENATOR I'D LIKE TO BE RECOGNIZED ON THE BILL SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN YOU ARE RECOGNIZED AND THEN SENATOR BARNETT.

**SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN:** THANK YOU MADAM MADAM SPEAKER I JUST LIKE THE RISE IN SUPPORT OF THE BILL AND THAT WE WE ADDED THEM ON THE LIST THAT'S ONE OF THE GROUP THAT WAS MISSED ON THAT THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** THANK YOU SENATOR SENATOR BARNETT YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

**SENATOR BARNETT:** THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER I TOO RISE IN SUPPORT OF THE MEASURE BUT I DID WANT TO JUST STATE FOR THE RECORD AND FOR THE AUTHOR AND MAIN SPONSOR THAT SINCE THIS MEASURE WAS ENTERTAINED IN THE THE LAST TERM AND I SUPPORT FULLY UNDERSTAND ITS INTENT AND HELPING OUR LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMUNITY BUT I'VE BEEN APPROACHED BY EVERYBODY AND THEIR *PRIMO* AND THEY'RE BASICALLY SAYING THAT THEY WANT TO BE ABLE TO AVAIL OF THIS OPPORTUNITY TO RETIRE AT 55 AS WELL AND SO I KNOW IT'S A IT WAS A HUGE UNDERTAKING TO GET THIS THIS MEASURE TO WHERE IT IS NOW AND I'M NOT SURE IF IT'S EVEN GERMANE FOR ME TO MENTION THIS BUT I DID JUST WANT TO UH MENTION TO THE MAIN SPONSOR AND THE AUTHOR OF THIS MEASURE TO IF SHE COULD CONSIDER POSSIBLY DOWN THE ROAD WHETHER OR NOT THAT WOULD BE FEASIBLE TO ADD OTHER CLASSES OF FOR EXAMPLE BUS DRIVERS BECAUSE I YOU KNOW SOMETIMES OUR KIDS ARE *ÅGUAGAT* I HAVE ASKED TO BE ADDED TO THIS AND SO I JUST WANTED TO ADD THAT ON THERE ON THE RECORD NOT AT THIS TIME CLEARLY I KNOW THERE'S A LOT OF WORK THAT WENT INTO THIS AND I COMMEND THE LATE SENATOR PEDO AND VICE SPEAKER FOR YOU KNOW THE AMOUNT OF DEDICATION AND WORK THAT THEY PUT INTO THIS MEASURE SO AGAIN MA'AM I JUST WANTED TO NOTE THAT ON THE RECORD THANK YOU.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** THANK YOU SENATOR ON THE BILL SENATOR PARKINSON YOU'RE RECOGNIZED.

**SENATOR PARKINSON:** I TOO STANDS IN SUPPORT OF THIS BILL I DON'T BELIEVE ANYBODY SHOULD BE LEFT BEHIND AND I COMMEND SENATOR PEDO AND VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES FOR PROFERRING THIS LEGISLATION I YIELD THE REST OF MY TIME THANK YOU MA'AM.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** THANK YOU SENATOR SENATOR SAN NICOLAS YOU'RE RECOGNIZED.

**SENATOR SAN NICOLAS:** YEAH YES MA'AM THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER I JUST WANTED TO ADDRESS THE QUESTION SENATOR FISHER I WORKED AT CUSTOMS FOR A LONG TIME AND WE COLLABORATE WITH THESE



THESE OTHER AGENCIES AND AND WORKERS SO THE ENTOMOLOGISTS SOMETIMES WOULD COME OUT AND HE'S ACCOMPANYING MAYBE A CUSTOMS OFFICER OR A AGRICULTURE OFFICER AND THEY ARE ARMED AND SO THAT THAT WOULD BE THE REASON WHY I THINK AND THAT THAT'S ACTUALLY A GOOD THING AND ALSO WITH PAROLE I WAS II WAS DOWN IN ONE OF THE CAREER FAIRS AND THEY SAID YOU KNOW SENATOR THEY ALWAYS FORGET US AND YOU KNOW THE THE TEMPO AND THE TYPE OF WORK THAT THEY DO I THINK DOES REQUIRE YOU KNOW THAT THIS BE RECOGNIZED AS WELL SO I AM SUPPORTIVE OF THIS AND I UH HUMBLLY ASK US THE SENATOR IF I CAN ALSO JOIN IN SPONSORING THE BILL THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** THANK YOU SENATOR ON THE BILL WOULD ANYONE ELSE LIKE TO BE RECOGNIZED ON THE BILL IF NOT THEN THE SPONSOR MAY CLOSE ON THE BILL VICE SPEAKER.

**VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES:** THANK YOU *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE' TALU'* MADAM SPEAKER BEFORE I ASK THAT THE MOTION BE PLACED IF I COULD ADD PLEASE ADD AS CO-SPONSORS SENATOR SAN AUGUSTIN SENATOR ROY QUINATA SENATOR DWAYNE SAN NICOLAS LEGISLATIVE SECRETARY AMANDA SENATOR WILL PARKINSON AND SENATOR CHRIS BARNETT AS CO-SPONSORS OF THIS MEASURE THEN I WANTED.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** ON THAT MOTION TO INCLUDE THOSE LISTED AS CO-SPONSORS IS THERE ANY OBJECTION SEEING NO OBJECTION MOTION CARRY MOTION PASSES.

**VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES:** *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* MADAM SPEAKER AND AGAIN I'D LIKE TO ALSO SHARE WITH MY AUGUST BODY THAT WORKING CLOSELY WITH RETIREMENT ON THIS MEASURE AND THOSE THAT WERE HAD AN IMPACT TO THIS THAT THAT THIS MEASURE WAS REALLY IMPORTANT AND THAT WE HEEDED THE CALL TO MAKE SURE THAT THE ALSO THAT THE INCLUSIONS WERE THERE SO AGAIN MADAM SPEAKER ON THAT NOTE I'D LIKE TO MOVE THIS BILL NUMBER 27-37 COR INTO THE THIRD READING VOTING FILE.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** ON THAT MOTION IS THERE ANY OBJECTION SEEING NO OBJECTION MOTION CARRIES WE'RE NOW ON RESOLUTION NUMBER 21-37 COR VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

**VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES:** *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* MADAM SPEAKER MADAM SPEAKER I MOVE TO PLACE RESOLUTION NUMBER 21-37 AS INTRODUCED BY MYSELF VICE SPEAKER TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES SENATOR ROY QUINATA SENATOR WILLIAM A. PARKINSON SENATOR JOE S. SAN AUGUSTIN SENATOR JESSE A. LUJAN SENATOR DWAYNE D.T. SAN NICOLAS AND SENATOR FRANK BLAS, JR. IT'S RELATIVE TO EXPRESSING THE SUPPORT OF HR 256 INTRODUCED IN THE UNITED STATES HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES WHICH SEEKS TO EXTEND COVERAGE OF THE SUPPLEMENTAL SECURITY INCOME SSI PROGRAMMED TO QUALIFIED INDIVIDUALS WHO RESIDE ON PUERTO RICO THE UNITED STATES VIRGIN ISLANDS GUAM AND AMERICAN SAMOA ON TO THE THIRD READING AND I WOULD LIKE TO DISCUSS IT MADAM SPEAKER.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** PLEASE PROCEED.

**VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES:** *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE' TALU'* MADAM SPEAKER I PROMISE TO BE BRIEF RESOLUTION 21-37 COR SEEKS THE FULL OF SUPPORT OF *I MINATRENTAI SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN* FOR CONGRESSWOMAN JENNIFER GONZÁLEZ COLÓN'S MEASURE H.R. 256 WHICH SEEKS TO EXTEND THE SUPPLEMENTAL SECURITY INCOME PROGRAM TO PUERTO RICO THE UNITED STATES VIRGIN ISLANDS GUAM AND AMERICAN SAMOA FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS RESOLUTION IS A IS OUR BODY'S LATEST ATTEMPT AT SEEKING EQUAL TREATMENT WITH OUR FELLOW AMERICANS RESIDING IN THE 50 STATES WHEN IT COMES TO BEING ELIGIBLE FOR AND RECEIVING SOCIAL SOCIAL SECURITY INCOME SSI BENEFITS IT SPEAKS TO THE PLIGHT OF KATRINA SCHALLER AND HER EFFORTS TO BE GRANTED ELIGIBILITY ULTIMATELY MADAM SPEAKER KATRINA WOULD LOSE HER BATTLE WITH HER ILLNESS AND HER PENDING CASE BEFORE THE COURT WAS DEEMED MOOT I WOULD LIKE TO TAKE THIS TIME MADAM SPEAKER AND I'D BE REMISS IF I DIDN'T THANK ATTORNEY RODNEY JACOBS WHO TIRES LIZ TIRELESSLY FOUGHT TO MAKE HIS CLIENT KATRINA ELIGIBLE FOR SSI HIS EFFORTS FELT SHORT WITH HER PASSING BUT IT MAY HAVE SHOWN ANOTHER PATH TO REALIZING THESE BENEFITS FOR THOSE OF US WHO LIVE IN THE TERRITORIES THE FIGHT FOR SSI COVERAGE IS AN ONGOING BATTLE BUT I WANT TO THANK THE GOOD CONGRESSMAN FOR HIS CO-SPONSORSHIP FOR 256 H.R. 256 AND TAKING STEPS TOWARD ATTAINING BETTER HEALTH CARE COVERAGE FOR FOR SOME OF THE MOST VULNERABLE MEMBERS OF OUR COMMUNITY MADAM SPEAKER I DO ASK THAT MY COLLEAGUES PLEASE SUPPORT THIS EFFORT AS WE HAVE BEEN FIGHTING THIS BATTLE FOR MANY MANY YEARS NOW AND IT IS ONLY FAIR THAT WE BE INCLUDED IN THIS PROGRAM SO *UN DÁNKGLO NA SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* FOR GIVING ME THE OPPORTUNITY TO BRIEFLY RISE AND SPEAK FOR THIS MEASURE 21-37 COR SAINA *MA'ÁSE'*.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** *SAINA MA'ÁSE'* ON THE RESOLUTION IS THERE ANY OTHER SENATOR WHO'D LIKE TO BE RECOGNIZED ON THE RESOLUTION SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

**SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN:** THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER I RISE IN FULL SUPPORT OF THIS OF THIS RESOLUTION A REMINDER TO THE PEOPLE OF GUAM THAT THIS HAS BEEN AN ONGOING BATTLE THAT EVERY ONE OF OUR DELEGATES THAT HAVE GONE HAVE BEEN IN CONGRESS BEEN FIGHTING AND MAYBE WE'LL GET CLOSER TO IT EVERY EVERY TIME THIS THIS IS BROUGHT UP BY THE SSI WE SHOULD ALWAYS CONTINUE TO FIGHT AND SUPPORT TO GET THIS AUTHORIZED TO GUAM THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** THANK YOU SENATOR ON THE RESOLUTION.

**NOTE SENATOR SHELTON PRESIDES**

**SENATOR SHELTON:** ON RESOLUTION NUMBER 21-37 SPEAKER TERLAJE YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** THANK YOU I WOULD LIKE TO STAND IN FULL SUPPORT OF THIS RESOLUTION AND THANK THE AUTHOR FOR DILIGENTLY PURSUING THIS FOR GUAM THIS TERM AND THE PREVIOUS TERM AND AND FOR OUR DELEGATES WHO HAVE ALSO PURSUED THIS OVER THE YEARS THIS IS A YOU KNOW IT SEEMS VERY VAGUE HOWEVER IT REALLY WOULD HAVE A VERY PHYSICAL LASTING IMPACT ON THOSE WHO ARE IN GREAT NEED INCLUDING OUR ELDERLY INCLUDING THOSE WITH DISABILITIES I MEAN EVEN THINGS SUCH AS WHEELCHAIRS THAT THEY WOULD BE ELIGIBLE FOR IF THEY LIVED IN THE UNITED STATES OR SAIPAN THEY ARE NOT ELIGIBLE FOR HERE ON GUAM TO BE COVERED AND SO I THINK AT THE LAST ESTIMATE THEY ESTIMATED 6300 PEOPLE ON GUAM WOULD HAVE BENEFITED DIRECTLY FROM PASSAGE OF THIS AND SO I WANT TO JUST YEAH URGE CONGRESS THAT THIS IS AN EQUITY ISSUE FOR GUAM THAT OUR PEOPLE DESERVE THIS AS MUCH AS THEY DO IN EVERY OTHER STATE AND THAT IT REALLY WE WE ARE SUFFERING HERE FROM A REDUCED ABILITY TO TO OBTAIN EVEN PHYSICAL ITEMS NEEDED FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES EVEN THE SERVICES THAT WE COULD USE FOR PEOPLE UNDER THESE PROGRAMS AND SO I PLEDGE MY FULL SUPPORT WITH THE VICE SPEAKER IN IN SUPPORT OF THIS AND AGAIN THANK ALSO THOSE WHO HAVE ACTUALLY TAKEN THIS TO COURT AND PURSUED IT IN IN THAT WAY AS WELL BUT HOPEFULLY THIS RESOLUTION WILL GET TO CONGRESS AND INFLUENCE THEM *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'*.

**SENATOR SHELTON:** THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER ON THE RESOLUTION VICE SPEAKER WOULD YOU LIKE TO CLOSE.

**VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES:** THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER AND I'D LIKE TO THANK MY COLLEAGUES FOR THOSE SPEAKING IN SUPPORT OF THIS RESOLUTION AGAIN MADAM'S SPEAKER AS I HEARD YOU SPEAK ON THIS MATTER AND SUPPORTING THESE EFFORTS I WANT TO SAY THAT WE SHOULD NEVER GIVE UP THE FIGHT AND AS FAR AS AS WE'RE CONCERNED WE ARE CITIZENS OF THE UNITED STATES WE ARE WHERE AMERICA'S DAY BEGINS AND THIS WAS A PROGRAM THAT SHOULD HAVE BEEN AFFORDED TO GUAM WITHOUT SAYING AND AGAIN ATTORNEY RODNEY JACOBS WHO STILL HAS NOT GIVEN UP THE BATTLE AND STILL CONTINUES TO WORK HIS EFFORTS THROUGH THE LEGAL SYSTEM I WANT TO SHARE THIS IS ONE WAY OF HELPING OUT WAS PROVIDING THIS RESOLUTION TO CONGRESS SO *UN DANKGLO NA SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* TO MY COLLEAGUES I HOPE THAT THEY SUPPORT THIS MEASURE AND I ASKED MADAM SPEAKER THAT WE PUT THIS RESOLUTION 21-37 COR INTO THE THIRD READING VOTING FILE.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* ON THE RESOLUTION ON THE MOTION TO PUT IT ON THE THIRD READING FILE IS THERE ANY OBJECTION SEEING NO OBJECTION MOTION CARRIES WE'RE NOW ON RESOLUTION NUMBER 30-37 COR ALSO SPONSORED BY THE VICE SPEAKER TINA MUÑA BARNES AND OTHER SENATORS VICE SPEAKER YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

**VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES:** *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* MADAM SPEAKER I PROMISE YOU THIS IS THE LAST ONE IF YOU CAN AFFORD ME THE OPPORTUNITY I'D LIKE TO MOVE AND PLACE RESOLUTION 30-37 COR IT'S RELATIVE TO SUPPORTING THE REPUBLIC OF CHINA TAIWAN'S PARTICIPATION AS AN OBSERVER AT THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATIONS 76TH WORLD HEALTH ASSEMBLY AND TO REAFFIRM SUPPORT FOR THE REPUBLIC OF CHINA TAIWAN'S PARTICIPATION AS OBSERVER IN INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS ON TO THE THIRD READING FOR DISCUSSION AND I'D LIKE TO SPEAK ON IT IF I MAY.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** PLEASE PROCEED.

**VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES:** MADAM SPEAKER.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** PLEASE PROCEED.

**VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES:** *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE' TALU'* MADAM SPEAKER THIS YEAR MADAM SPEAKER WE INTRODUCED THIS RESOLUTION TO REAFFIRM GUAM'S SUPPORT OF THE REPUBLIC OF CHINA TAIWAN TO PARTICIPATE MEANINGFULLY AT INTERNATIONAL STAKEHOLDER MEETINGS HUNDREDS OF PARLIAMENTARIANS AROUND THE WORLD AND LEGISLATURES IN THE UNITED STATES CONTINUE TO STAND BEHIND TAIWAN TO PARTICIPATE AT THE WORLD HEALTH ASSEMBLY HOSTED BY THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION MADAM SPEAKER IT'S UNFORTUNATE THAT TAIWAN STILL WAS NOT INVITED MOREOVER AS GLOBAL COMPETITORS WITH HIGHLY DEVELOPED INDUSTRIES THEIR INSIGHT AT INTERNATIONAL MEETINGS LIKE THE INTERNATIONAL CIVIL AVIATION ORGANIZATION AND THE UNITED STATES NATION'S FRAMEWORK CONVENTION ON CLIMATE CHANGE THE INTERNATIONAL CRIME POLICE ORGANIZATIONS WOULD BE INVALUABLE IN GUAM'S COMMITMENT TO OUR 50-YEAR SISTER CITY RELATIONSHIP WITH TAIPEI AND NOW OUR SISTER CITY RELATIONSHIP WITH TAOYUAN AND TAICHUNG WE HOPE TO CONTINUE TO SUPPORT THE REPUBLIC OF CHINA TAIWAN'S PARTICIPATION AT INTERNATIONAL STAKEHOLDER MEETING SO MADAM SPEAKER IN BRIEF I HOPE THAT MY COLLEAGUES SUPPORT THIS EFFORT AND I KNOW THAT WE WILL CONTINUE TO WORK OUR SISTER CITY RELATIONSHIP WITH TAIWAN HAS AS THEY HAVE BEEN GREAT STEWARDS NOT JUST WITHIN OUR COMMUNITY BUT WITHIN THE UNITED STATES AND A LOT OF OUR ISLANDS ALLIES ACROSS THE WORLD SO I HOPE THAT MY COLLEAGUES SUPPORT THIS EFFORT WITH ME AND THANK YOU FOR GIVING ME THIS OPPORTUNITY *SAINA MA'ÁSE'*.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** *SAINA MA'ÁSE'* ON THAT MOTION TO PLACE RESOLUTION 30-37 COR ONTO THE THIRD READING IS THERE ANY OBJECTION I'M SORRY IS THERE ANYONE I'D LIKE TO SPEAK ON IT IS THERE ANYONE ELSE WHO'D LIKE TO SPEAK ON THAT RESOLUTION IF NOT SPONSOR MAY CLOSE.

**VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES:** *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* MADAM SPEAKER ON THE MOTION TO PLACE RESOLUTION NUMBER 21-37 COR INTO THE THIRD READING VOTING FILE.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** ON THAT MOTION IS THERE ANY OBJECTION SEEING NO OBJECTION MOTION CARRIES WE HAVE EXHAUSTED OUR SECOND READING FILE WE WILL PROCEED NOW TO CONSIDERATION OF THE DAILY FILE WE WILL TAKE A ONE MINUTE RECESS FOR THE FOLDERS TO BE PASSED OUT WE WILL VICE SPEAKER WOULD YOU LIKE TO MAKE A MOTION TO VOTE WITHOUT ENGROSSMENT ON THOSE.

**VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES:** YES MADAM SPEAKER IF I MAY DO I NEED TO DO IT A MOTION AT A TIME BILL 27 RIGHT MADAM SPEAKER I'D LIKE TO MOVE THAT BILL NUMBER 27-37 COR BE VOTED ON WITHOUT ENGROSSMENT.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** IS THERE ANY OBJECTION TO THAT MOTION ANY OBJECTION IF NOT MOTION CARRIES.

**VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES:** AND ON RESOLUTION 21-37 MADAM SPEAKER I ASK THAT IT BE VOTED ON WITHOUT ENGROSSMENT.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** IS THERE ANY OBJECTION TO THAT MOTION SEEING THE OBJECTION MOTION CARRIES.

**VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES:** WHAT'S THE LAST ONE.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** RESOLUTION 30-37.

**VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES:** AND THEN RESOLUTION NUMBER 30-37 COR IF THAT RESOLUTION CAN BE VOTED WITHOUT ENGROSSMENT.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** ON THAT MOTION IS THERE ANY OBJECTION SEEING NO OBJECTION MOTION CARRIES.

**VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES:** THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** CAN WE GET A MOTION ON SENATOR FISHER ON RESOLUTION 67-37 LS TO VOTE ON THAT WITHOUT ENGROSSMENT.

**SENATOR FISHER:** YES MA'AM I WOULD MOVE THAT THAT RESOLUTION BE CONSIDERED WITHOUT ENGROSSMENT.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** IS THERE ANY OBJECTION TO THAT MOTION SEEING NO OBJECTION MOTION CARRIES ALL RIGHT WE WILL NOW ALLOW FOR THE FOLDERS TO BE PASSED OUT FOR CONSIDERATION OF THE DAILY FILE WE WILL RESUME IN ABOUT FIVE MINUTES RECESS FOR FIVE MINUTES.

**RECESS**

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** WE'RE BACK FROM RECESS THE FOLDERS HAVE BEEN PASSED OUT IS EVERYONE OKAY WITH THEIR FOLDERS JUST A REMINDER THERE ARE SOME BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS THAT WERE NOT ENGROSSED SO WE'RE VOTING ON THEM WITHOUT ENGROSSMENT BUT THEY ARE ALSO INCLUDED IN THE FOLDERS THE BILLS WITH THE ASTERIX ON THEM THOSE ARE ENGROSSED ALL RIGHT SO WE ARE ON CONSIDERATION OF THE DAILY FILE WE WILL BEGIN UNDER THE THIRD READING FILE BILL NUMBER 37-37 COR CLERKS PLEASE READ THE TITLE.

**CLERKS STAFF:** BILL NUMBER 37-37 COR INTRODUCED BY WILLIAM A. PARKINSON ROY A.B. QUINATA TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES JOE S. SAN AGUSTIN FRANK BLAS, JR. CHRISTOPHER M DUEÑAS THERESE M. TERLAJE SABINA FLORES PEREZ TELO T. TAITAGUE DWAYNE T.D. SAN NICOLAS CHRIS BARNETT JESSE A. LUJAN JOANNE BROWN AN ACT TO NAME PUBLIC LAW 36-130 THE SENATOR JOSE PEDO TERLAJE RETIREMENT ACT.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** ROLL CALL.

**SUBSTITUTE CLERK OF THE LEGISLATURE:** SENATOR BARNETT (AYE) SENATOR BLAS (AYE) SENATOR BROWN (AYE) SENATOR DUEÑAS (AYE) VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES (AYE) SENATOR FISHER (AYE) SENATOR LUJAN (AYE) SENATOR PARKINSON (AYE) SENATOR PEREZ (AYE) SENATOR QUINATA (AYE) SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN (AYE) SENATOR SAN NICOLAS (AYE) SENATOR SHELTON (AYE) SENATOR TAITAGUE (AYE) SPEAKER TERLAJE (AYE).

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** BILL NUMBER 37-37 COR RECEIVED 15 AYES AND ZERO NAYS AND BILL NUMBER 37-37 COR IS DULY PASSED BY THIS BODY.

**SENATOR PARKINSON:** BIBA PEDO.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** BIBA RESOLUTION NUMBER 14-37 COR CLERKS PLEASE READ THE TITLE.

**CLERKS STAFF:** RESOLUTION NUMBER 14-37 COR AS AMENDED ON THE FLOOR INTRODUCED BY WILLIAM A. PARKINSON JOANNE BROWN JESSE A. LUJAN TELO T. TAITAGUE RELATIVE TO REQUESTING *I MAGA'HĀGAN GUĀHAN* TO EXERCISE HER AUTHORITY PUBLIC LAW 110-229 TO PETITION THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY TO EXPAND THE GUAM VISA WAIVER PROGRAM TO INCLUDE THE COUNTRY OF THE PHILIPPINES.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** ROLL CALL.

**SUBSTITUTE CLERK OF THE LEGISLATURE:** SENATOR BARNETT (AYE) SENATOR BLAS (AYE) SENATOR BROWN (AYE) SENATOR DUEÑAS (AYE) SENATOR FISHER (AYE) SENATOR LUJAN (AYE) VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES (AYE) SENATOR PARKINSON (AYE) SENATOR PEREZ (AYE) SENATOR QUINATA (AYE) SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN (AYE) SENATOR SAN NICOLAS (AYE) SENATOR SHELTON (AYE) SENATOR TAITAGUE (AYE) SPEAKER TERLAJE (AYE).

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** RESOLUTION NUMBER 14-37 COR RECEIVED 15 AYES AND ZERO NAYS RESOLUTION NUMBER 14-37 COR IS DULY ADOPTED BY THIS BODY RESOLUTION NUMBER 67-37 LS CLERKS PLEASE READ THE TITLE.

**CLERKS STAFF:** RESOLUTION NUMBER 67-37 LS INTRODUCED BY THOMAS J. FISHER FRANK BLAS, JR. JESSE A. LUJAN JOANNE BROWN TELO T. TAITAGUE CHRIS BARNETT CHRISTOPHER M. DUEÑAS RELATIVE TO THE 37TH GUAM LEGISLATURE STANDING RULE 11.10 TO ESTABLISH A SPECIAL INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE TO INVESTIGATE A POTENTIAL ATTEMPT TO CORRUPTLY AND CRIMINALLY INFLUENCE THE LEGISLATIVE DEBATE OF *I LIHESLATURAN GUĀHAN* TAKING PLACE ON OR ABOUT MARCH 21 2023.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** ROLL CALL.

**SUBSTITUTE CLERK OF THE LEGISLATURE:** SENATOR BARNETT (AYE) SENATOR BLAS (AYE) SENATOR BROWN (AYE) SENATOR DUEÑAS (AYE) SENATOR FISHER (AYE) SENATOR LUJAN (AYE) VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES (NAY) SENATOR PARKINSON (NAY) SENATOR PEREZ (AYE) SENATOR QUINATA (NAY) SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN (NAY) SENATOR SAN NICOLAS (AYE) SENATOR SHELTON (NAY) SENATOR TAITAGUE (PASS) SPEAKER TERLAJE (NAY) SENATOR TAITAGUE (PASS) SENATOR TAITAGUE (PASS – NAY).

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** BILL NUMBER 67-37 LS I'M SORRY RESOLUTION NUMBER 67-37 LS RECEIVED EIGHT AYES SEVEN NAYS RESOLUTION NUMBER 67-37 LS IS ADOPTED BY THIS BODY BILL NUMBER 27-37 COR AS AMENDED AND FURTHER AMENDED CLERKS PLEASE READ THE TITLE.

**CLERKS STAFF:** BILL NUMBER 27-37 COR AS AMENDED BY THE COMMITTEE ON HUMAN RESOURCES *HAGÁTÑA* REVITALIZATION REGIONAL AFFAIRS PUBLIC LIBRARIES TELECOMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY TECHNOLOGY AND FEDERAL IMPORTANCE AND AS AMENDED ON THE FLOOR INTRODUCED BY TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES JOE S. SAN AGUSTIN ROY A.B. QUINATA DWAYNE T.D. SAN NICOLAS AMANDA L. SHELTON WILLIAM A. PARKINSON CHRIS BARNETT AN ACT TO ADD A NEW SUBSECTION M TO SECTION 8501 ARTICLE 5 CHAPTER 8 TITLE 4 GUAM CODE ANNOTATED AND TO AMEND SECTION 8503C OF ARTICLE 5 CHAPTER 8 TITLE 4 GUAM CODE ANNOTATED RELATIVE TO THE RETIREMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS WHO ARE MEMBERS OF THE DEFINED BENEFIT 1.75 RETIREMENT SYSTEM.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** ROLL CALL.

**SUBSTITUTE CLERK OF THE LEGISLATURE:** SENATOR BARNETT (AYE) SENATOR BLAS (AYE) SENATOR BROWN (AYE) SENATOR DUEÑAS (AYE) SENATOR FISHER (AYE) SENATOR LUJAN (AYE) VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES (AYE) SENATOR PARKINSON (AYE) SENATOR PEREZ (AYE) SENATOR QUINATA (AYE) SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN (AYE) SENATOR SAN NICOLAS (AYE) SENATOR SHELTON (AYE) SENATOR TAITAGUE (AYE) SPEAKER TERLAJE (AYE).

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** THANK YOU BILL NUMBER 27-37 COR RECEIVED 15 AYES AND ZERO NAYS BILL NUMBER 27-37 IS DULY ADOPTED DULY PASSED BY THIS BODY RESOLUTION NUMBER 21-37 COR CLERKS PLEASE READ THE TITLE.

**CLERKS STAFF:** RESOLUTION NUMBER 21-37 COR INTRODUCED BY TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES ROY A.B. QUINATA WILLIAM A. PARKINSON JOE S. SAN AGUSTIN JESSE A. LUJAN DWAYNE T.D. SAN NICOLAS FRANK BLAS, JR. RELATIVE TO EXPRESSING THE SUPPORT OF H.R. 256 INTRODUCED IN THE UNITED STATES HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES WHICH SEEKS TO EXTEND COVERAGE OF THE SUPPLEMENTAL SECURITY INCOME PROGRAM TO QUALIFIED INDIVIDUALS WHO RESIDE ON PUERTO RICO THE UNITED STATES VIRGIN ISLANDS GUAM AND AMERICAN SAMOA.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** ROLL CALL.

**SUBSTITUTE CLERK OF THE LEGISLATURE:** SENATOR BARNETT (AYE) SENATOR BLAS (AYE) SENATOR BROWN (AYE) SENATOR DUEÑAS (AYE) SENATOR FISHER (AYE) SENATOR LUJAN (AYE) VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES (AYE) SENATOR PARKINSON (AYE) SENATOR PEREZ (AYE) SENATOR QUINATA (AYE) SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN (AYE) SENATOR SAN NICOLAS (AYE) SENATOR SHELTON (AYE) SENATOR TAITAGUE (AYE) SPEAKER TERLAJE (AYE).

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** RESOLUTION NUMBER 21-37 COR RECEIVED 15 AYES ZERO NAYS RESOLUTION NUMBER 21-37 COR IS DULY ADOPTED BY THIS BODY RESOLUTION NUMBER 30-37 COR CLERKS PLEASE READ THE TITLE.

**CLERKS STAFF:** RESOLUTION NUMBER 30-37 COR INTRODUCED BY TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES JOE S. SAN AGUSTIN FRANK BLAS, JR. AMANDA L. SHELTON THERESE M. TERLAJE ROY A.B. QUINATA WILLIAM A. PARKINSON TELO T. TAITAGUE JOANNE BROWN JESSE A. LUJAN RELATIVE TO SUPPORTING THE REPUBLIC OF CHINA TAIWAN'S PARTICIPATION AS OBSERVER AT THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATIONS 76TH WORLD HEALTH ASSEMBLY AND TWO REAFFIRM SUPPORT FOR THE REPUBLIC OF CHINA TAIWAN'S PARTICIPATION AS OBSERVER IN INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** ROLL CALL.

**SUBSTITUTE CLERK OF THE LEGISLATURE:** SENATOR BARNETT (NAY) SENATOR BLAS (AYE) SENATOR BROWN (AYE) SENATOR DUEÑAS (AYE) SENATOR FISHER (AYE) SENATOR LUJAN (AYE) VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES (AYE) SENATOR PARKINSON (AYE) SENATOR PEREZ (AYE) SENATOR QUINATA (AYE) SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN (AYE) SENATOR SAN NICOLAS (AYE) SENATOR SHELTON (AYE) SENATOR TAITAGUE (AYE) SPEAKER TERLAJE (AYE).

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** RESOLUTION NUMBER 30-37 COR RECEIVED 14 AYES AND ONE NAY RESOLUTION NUMBER 30-37 COR IS DULY ADOPTED BY THIS BODY WE HAVE COMPLETED THE THIRD READING FILE WE ARE NOW IN

THE VOTING FILE VETOED BILL NUMBER 13-37 COR PARDON IT'LL BE NEXT NOTWITHSTANDING THE OBJECTIONS OF *I MAGA'HĀGAN GUĀHAN* SHALL VETOED BILL NUMBER 13-37 COR BE OVERRIDDEN CLERKS PLEASE READ THE TITLE.

**CLERKS STAFF:** VETO BILL NUMBER 13-37 COR AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 83102D AND ADD A NEW SECTION 83116 TO CHAPTER 83 ALL OF TITLE 12 GUAM CODE ANNOTATED RELATIVE TO INCREASING PUBLIC NOTICE AND TRANSPARENCY OF THE ACTIONS BY THE GUAM 21ST CENTURY HEALTHCARE CENTER COMMITTEE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE PROPOSED MEDICAL HEALTH CARE HEALTH CARE CAMPUS.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** ROLL CALL.

**SUBSTITUTE CLERK OF THE LEGISLATURE:** SENATOR BARNETT (AYE) SENATOR BLAS (AYE) SENATOR BROWN (AYE) SENATOR DUEÑAS (AYE) SENATOR FISHER (AYE) SENATOR LUJAN (AYE) VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES (NAY) SENATOR PARKINSON (NAY) SENATOR PEREZ (AYE) SENATOR QUINATA (NAY) SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN (NAY) SENATOR SAN NICOLAS (NAY) SENATOR SHELTON (NAY) SENATOR TAITAGUE (AYE) SPEAKER TERLAJE (AYE).

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** VETOED BILL NUMBER 13-37 COR RECEIVED NINE A'S SIX NAYS VETOED BILL NUMBER 13-37 COR FAILED OVERRIDE ON THE NOMINATION OF CARLO M LEON GUERRERO TO SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE GUAM COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES ALL IN FAVOR PLEASE RAISE YOUR HAND.

SHOW OF HANDS:

**SENATOR BARNETT SENATOR BLAS SENATOR BROWN SENATOR DUEÑAS SENATOR FISHER SENATOR LUJAN VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES SENATOR PARKINSON SENATOR PEREZ SENATOR QUINATA SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN SENATOR SAN NICOLAS SENATOR SHELTON SENATOR TAITAGUE SPEAKER TERLAJE**

CARLO M LEON GUERRERO RECEIVED UNANIMOUS SUPPORT AND IS DULY CONFIRMED BY THIS BODY NOTWITHSTANDING THE OBJECTIONS OF *I MAGA'HĀGAN GUĀHAN* SHALL VETOED BILL NUMBER 12-37 COR BE OVERRIDDEN CLERKS PLEASE READ THE TITLE.

**CLERKS STAFF:** VETOED BILL NUMBER 12-37 COR AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 60112 OF CHAPTER 60 TITLE 21 GUAM CODE ANNOTATED RELATIVE TO REQUIRING PRIOR APPROVAL FROM THE LEGISLATURE BEFORE PURCHASING OR ENTERING INTO A A LEASE LICENSE OR SUBLEASE OF PROPERTY OWNED BY THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT FOREIGN GOVERNMENT OR SUB-ENTITIES THEREOF FOR A TERM IN EXCESS OF FIVE YEARS.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** ROLL CALL.

**SUBSTITUTE CLERK OF THE LEGISLATURE:** SENATOR BARNETT (AYE) SENATOR BLAS (AYE) SENATOR BROWN (AYE) SENATOR DUEÑAS (AYE) SENATOR FISHER (AYE) SENATOR LUJAN (AYE) VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES (NAY) SENATOR PARKINSON (NAY) SENATOR PEREZ (AYE) SENATOR QUINATA (NAY) SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN (NAY) SENATOR SAN NICOLAS (NAY) SENATOR SHELTON (NAY) SENATOR TAITAGUE (AYE) SPEAKER TERLAJE (AYE).

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** VETOED BILL NUMBER 12-37 COR RECEIVED NINE AYES SIX NAYS VETOED BILL NUMBER 12-37 COR FAILED OVERRIDE.

**SENATOR BARNETT:** MADAM SPEAKER I'D LIKE TO MAKE A MOTION TO RECONSIDER THE VOTE ON BILLS THE OVERRIDE VOTES ON BILLS 12 AND 13 IF THAT'S POSSIBLE.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** ON THE MOTION TO RECONSIDER ALL IN FAVOR PLEASE RAISE YOUR HAND THE MOTION IS TO RECONSIDER BILLS 12 AND 13 THERE'S AN OBJECTION SO ALL IN FAVOR PLEASE RAISE YOUR HAND A MOTION TO RECONSIDER PASSES WE WILL GO TO THE VETOED BILL NUMBER 13-37 NOTWITHSTANDING THE OBJECTIONS OF *I MAGA'HĀGAN GUĀHAN* SHALL VETOED BILL NUMBER 13-37 COR OVERRIDDEN CLERKS PLEASE READ THE TITLE.

**CLERKS STAFF:** VETOED BILL NUMBER 13-37 COR AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 83102 D AND ADDING NEW SECTION 83116 TO CHAPTER 83 ALL OF TITLE 12 GUAM CODE ANNOTATED RELATIVE TO INCREASING PUBLIC NOTICE AND TRANSPARENCY OF THE ACTIONS BY THE GUAM 21ST CENTURY HEALTHCARE CENTER COMMITTEE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE PROPOSED MEDICAL HEALTHCARE CAMPUS.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** ROLL CALL.

**SUBSTITUTE CLERK OF THE LEGISLATURE:** SENATOR BARNETT (AYE) SENATOR BLAS (AYE) SENATOR BROWN (AYE) SENATOR DUEÑAS (AYE) SENATOR FISHER (AYE) SENATOR LUJAN (AYE) VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES (NAY) SENATOR PARKINSON (NAY) SENATOR PEREZ (AYE) SENATOR QUINATA (NAY) SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN (NAY) SENATOR SAN NICOLAS (NAY) SENATOR SHELTON (NAY) SENATOR TAITAGUE (AYE) SPEAKER TERLAJE (AYE).

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** VETOED BILL NUMBER 13-37 ON RECONSIDERATION RECEIVED NINE A'S AYES SIX NAYS VETO BILL NUMBER 13-37 COR FAILED OVERRIDE NOTWITHSTANDING THE OBJECTIONS OF *I MAGA'HĀGAN GUĀHAN* SHALL VETO BILL NUMBER 12-37 COR BE OVERRIDDEN CLERKS PLEASE READ THE TITLE.

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**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** ROLL CALL.

**SUBSTITUTE CLERK OF THE LEGISLATURE:** SENATOR BARNETT (AYE) SENATOR BLAS (AYE) SENATOR BROWN (AYE) SENATOR DUEÑAS (AYE) SENATOR FISHER (AYE) SENATOR LUJAN (AYE) VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES (NAY) SENATOR PARKINSON (NAY) SENATOR PEREZ (AYE) SENATOR QUINATA (NAY) SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN (NAY) SENATOR SAN NICOLAS (NAY) SENATOR SHELTON (NAY) SENATOR TAITAGUE (AYE) SPEAKER TERLAJE (AYE).

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** VETOED BILL NUMBER 12-37 COR ON RECONSIDERATION RECEIVED NINE AYES SIX NAYS VETOED BILL NUMBER 12-37 COR FAILED OVERRIDE WE'VE EXHAUSTED OUR VOTING FILE AND THE CONSIDERATION OF THE DAILY FILE WE'RE NOW IN BRIEF EXTENSION OF REMARKS WOULD ANY SENATOR LIKE TO BE RECOGNIZED UNDER BRIEF EXTENSION OF REMARKS SENATOR TAITAGUE YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

**SENATOR TAITAGUE:** *SI YU'OS MA'ĀSE'* MADAM SPEAKER AND FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK ON THE ACTIONS WE TOOK TODAY BUT BEFORE I GO FURTHER I WANT TO EXTEND A HAPPY BIRTHDAY WISHES TO SENATOR SABINA PEREZ *BIBA* HAPPY BIRTHDAY *KUMPLIÑOS* SENATOR OKAY FIRST AND FOREMOST ON RESOLUTION 67 AS I SAID BEFORE I FULLY SUPPORT THIS RESOLUTION AND MY COLLEAGUES WHO WERE AFFECTED BY THE UNNECESSARY POLITICAL GAMES THAT HAVE BROUGHT US HERE IN FACT I COMPLETELY UNDERSTAND THE NEED FOR THIS RESOLUTION I HAVE BEEN THERE I HAVE BEEN WRONG WRONGFULLY ACCUSED BUT TWO WRONGS DON'T MAKE A RIGHT AND I AND AS I PREVIOUSLY STATED FOR THE RECORD THIS RESOLUTION DOESN'T MEET THE REQUIREMENTS AS A BODY AS THE BODY HAS SET FORTH IN THE STANDING RULES I KNOW THAT WE MUST TAKE A STRONG STAND AND TO DEMONSTRATE THAT WE AS A BODY WILL NOT TOLERATE ATTEMPTS TO DISRUPT OUR WORK AND THAT THE CRITICAL DEBATES WE MUST ENGAGE IN TO RESOLVE OUR ISSUES AND CREATE THE POLICIES THAT WILL REMOVE OUR COMMUNITY THAT WILL MOVE OUR COMMUNITY FORWARD I ALONG WITH SOME OF MY REPUBLICAN COLLEAGUES HAVE FOUGHT AGAINST THE VERY THING THAT WE TRY TO DO THAT WE ARE TRYING TO DO WE TRY WE ARE TRYING TO CIRCUMVENT THE PROCESS BUT BUT TO PUT IN IN PLACE TO ENSURE FAIRNESS AND TRANSPARENT AND ADEQUATE PUBLIC INFORMATION MADAM SPEAKER I UNDERSTAND THAT ISSUES LIKE ALLEGED FRAUDULENT DOCUMENTS CAN SPUR US INTO ACTIONS ON EMOTION BUT WE AREN'T HERE TO BE EMOTIONAL WE ARE HERE TO DO THE RIGHT THING THE RIGHT WAY FOLLOWING THE RIGHT RULES WHAT I DON'T WANT TO BE DOING FOR THE REST OF THIS TERM IS FIGHTING WITH WHAT CAN BE PLACED ON AGENDA ON AN AGENDA WITHOUT PROPER NOTICE YOU KNOW I'VE BEEN THERE WE'VE BEEN THERE AND AVOIDING THOSE UNNECESSARY ARGUMENTS STARTS NOW I SUPPORT THIS RESOLUTION BUT I SUPPORT ITS PASSAGE AND AN IMPLEMENTATION BEING DONE CORRECTLY AND AS IT STANDS I CANNOT SUPPORT ACTIONS OR MEASURES THAT DON'T FOLLOW THE RULES WE SET FOR OURSELVES REPUBLICAN OR DEMOCRAT WE ARE ONE BODY AND WE MUST RESPECT EACH OTHER ENOUGH TO FOLLOW OUR RULES ACCORDINGLY REGARDING THE OVERRIDE OF OUR HOSPITAL AND TRANSPARENCY BILLS I'VE BEEN A STAUNCH ADVOCATE AND A VOCAL PROPONENT FOR FOR TRANSPARENCY MOST ESPECIALLY WHEN IT COMES TO A BILLION DOLLAR VISION OF A BUILDING OF BUILDING A NEW HOSPITAL FOR OUR PEOPLE WE ALL KNOW WHAT'S AT STAKE THE HEALTH OF OUR PEOPLE AND THE CHILDREN WHO WILL INHERIT THE HEALTHCARE SYSTEM WE ARE TRYING TO STRENGTHEN TODAY BUT WE ALL KNOW THAT WE SIMPLY DON'T KNOW ENOUGH MADAM SPEAKER COLLEAGUES NOTHING ABOUT THESE BILLS HAS CHANGED NO ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT EAGLES FIELD LEASES OR THE THE LEASE OR THE NEW HOSPITAL HAS BEEN PROVIDED AND THAT ASSURANCE POTENTIAL COMMITMENTS FROM THE MILITARY AND POSSIBLE PLANS AND

PARTNERSHIPS ARE NOT JUST ENOUGH FOR ME TO REINSURE OUR PEOPLE OUR VOTERS OUR SUPPORTERS OUR FAMILIES AND WHAT IS IN TRULY IN THE BEST INTEREST OF OUR PEOPLE I'VE NEEDED I'VE NEEDED SPECIALIZED MEDICAL CARE MYSELF AND I KNOW COUNTLESS FRIENDS AND FAMILY WHO HAVE HAD TO SEEK CARE ELSEWHERE I KNOW HOW BADLY WE NEED TO GET THE BALL ROLLING ON A NEW HOSPITAL BUT OUR LIMITED RESOURCES DEMAND THAT WE KNOW EVERY COMMITMENT AND FINANCIAL PITFALL THAT WE WILL BE SUBJECTING OUR GENERATIONS THE GENERATIONS OF OUR PEOPLE TO COME WE HAVE ONE CHANCE TO GET THIS RIGHT AND WE CAN'T DO THIS PROPERLY IF WE CAN'T ALL COME TOGETHER TO THE TABLE LAY OUT ALL OUR CARDS AND HAVE AN OPEN AND FRANK DISCUSSION ABOUT THE BEST WAY TO BUILD THIS NEW HOSPITAL I SAID IT BEFORE A GOOD PLAN CAN WITHSTAND SCRUTINY A GOOD PLAN HAS ANSWERS TO BASIC QUESTIONS A SOLID PLAN DOESN'T NEED TO BE KEPT SECRET AND THE VERY FACT THAT WE MUST FIGHT FOR BASIC INFORMATION SHOULD GIVE US ALL THE REASON TO PAUSE AND ASK WHY.

**SENATOR PARKINSON:** POINT OF ORDER MADAM CHAIR.

**SENATOR TAITAGUE:** AND FOR THESE REASONS.

**SENATOR PARKINSON:** OR MADAM SPEAKER.

**SENATOR TAITAGUE:** I VOTED YES FOR THE OVERRIDE OF THESE VETOES WE ARE MEMBERS OF THIS BODY BECAUSE WE ARE ENTRUSTED TO BE THE VOICE OF THE PEOPLE OUR VOICES NEEDED TO ASK THE TOUGH QUESTIONS AND THE BEST WAY TO GET THESE ANSWERS IS TO DEMAND TRANSPARENCY THAT THESE BILLS OFFERED *SI YU'OS MA'AM SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* MADAM SPEAKER.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* SENATOR ON BRIEF EXTENSION OF REMARKS IS THERE ANY OTHER SENATOR WHO'D LIKE TO BE RECOGNIZED SENATOR BARNES I MEAN SENATOR BARNETT YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

**SENATOR BARNETT:** THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER *FANOHGE CHAMORRO PUTI TANO' TA* STAND *CHAMORUS* FOR YOUR LAND I WISH THAT WE HAD ACTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THESE WORDS FROM OUR OUR GUAM HYMN TODAY I'M VERY DISAPPOINTED IT HURTS MY HEAD THAT SOME MEMBERS IN OUR OUR BODY ARE SMART ENOUGH TO KNOW WHAT THEY'RE DOING BY VOTING AGAINST THIS OVERRIDE BUT THEY'RE DOING IT ANYWAY BECAUSE THEY MADE A COMMITMENT NOT TO THE PEOPLE OF GUAM BUT TO THE GOVERNOR OF GUAM.

**VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES:** MADAM SPEAKER POINT OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE PLEASE ON THE MATTER PLEASE.

**SENATOR BARNETT:** EXCUSE ME.

**VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES:** CANNOT ASSUME.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** PLEASE STATE YOUR PERSONAL PRIVILEGE.

**VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES:** CANNOT ASSUME THAT WE'RE DOING IT FOR PERSONAL REASONS AND FOR THE GOVERNOR.

**SENATOR BARNETT:** MADAM SPEAKER.

**VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES:** SO POINT OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE PLEASE.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** HEARING THAT VICE SPEAKER THANK YOU.

**SENATOR BARNETT:** I ASKED BE ALLOWED TO CONTINUE SPEAKING PLEASE THANK YOU THANK YOU AND IF ANYONE FEELS ATTACKED BY THOSE COMMENTS THEN THAT'S YOUR PROBLEM THESE ARE VERY SIMPLE ISSUES.

**VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES:** PLEASE.

**SENATOR BARNETT:** BEFORE US IN THESE OVERRIDE ATTEMPTS.

**VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES:** MADAM SPEAKER MADAM SPEAKER IF I MAY POINT OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE.

**SENATOR BARNETT:** MADAM SPEAKER.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** PLEASE STATE YOUR PERSONAL SENATOR BARNETT JUST HOLD ON.

**SENATOR BARNETT:** I HAVE NOT NAMED ANY MEMBER OF THIS BODY.



**VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES:** AGAIN MADAM SPEAKER THE CONDUCT.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** PLEASE STATE YOUR POINT OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE.

**VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES:** THE CONDUCT OF OUR STANDING RULES PROVIDES HOW WE HAVE TO HAVE RESPECT AND RESPECT EACH OTHER'S DECISIONS MADE ON THE FLOOR WHETHER THEY SUPPORT OR NOT SUPPORT AN ISSUE PLEASE MADAM SPEAKER ON THE MERITS OF THE BILL THE MERITS ON WHAT IS NOT DONE BUT NOT ON HOW.

**SENATOR BARNETT:** MADAM MADAM SPEAKER.

**VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES:** VOTES WERE MADE BY THE SENATOR MADAM SPEAKER I RISE TO A POINT OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE.

**SENATOR BARNETT:** POINT OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE MADAM SPEAKER.

**VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES:** BASED ON THE STANDING RULES THAT AND IF YOU WANT TO TAKE.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** I HEARD YOUR POINT OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE.

**VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES:** A MOMENTS RECESS TO RECITE THAT.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** I.

**VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES:** THAT THERE SHOULD NOT BE ANY ACCUSATIONS TO THE COLLEAGUE THANK YOU.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** ON THE CHARACTER.

**SENATOR BARNETT:** THAT'S RIGHT.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** YOU ARE NOT ALLOWED TO REFER TO THE CHARACTER OR DISPARAGE THE CHARACTER OF SENATOR AS TO THEIR OFFICIAL ACTIONS THANK YOU.

**SENATOR BARNETT:** I DON'T BELIEVE I'VE DONE THAT MADAM SPEAKER.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** PLEASE PROCEED SENATOR BARNETT.

**SENATOR BARNETT:** THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER MEMBERS OF THIS BODY HAS SET ON THE FLOOR DURING DEBATE AND DISCUSSION ON THESE OVERRIDE ATTEMPTS THAT THEY ENTERTAIN PHONE CALLS FROM THE GOVERNOR THAT THEY ASKED THE GOVERNOR WHY THEY SHOULDN'T OR SHOULD SUPPORT THIS OVERRIDE SO I'M MERELY REFERENCING WHAT HAS OCCURRED ON THIS SESSION FLOOR I WASN'T AWARE THAT THAT WAS OUT OF ORDER I DON'T THINK IT IS BUT AGAIN I DIDN'T HEAR A SINGLE COMPELLING ARGUMENT AS TO WHY WE SHOULDN'T DEMAND MORE TRANSPARENCY AND ACCOUNTABILITY OUT OF THIS BILLION DOLLAR HEALTH CARE COMPLEX AND THE LEASE FOR *LALO* THAT IT'S ATTACHED TO SOME OF OUR COLLEAGUES ONLY ACT WITH PASSION WHEN IT COMES TO ATTACKING THE OTHER SIDE AND I JUST ASK THAT THAT WE ACT WITH PASSION WHEN IT COMES TO DOING THE WILL OF THE PEOPLE NOT THE WILL OF THE GOVERNOR FOR THE GOVERNOR TO BE ABLE TO COME INTO THIS BODY SNAP HER FINGER CLICK HER HEELS AND SWAY MEMBERS OF THIS BODY IT'S JUST SOMETHING I'M NOT COMFORTABLE WITH WHY WOULDN'T WE WANT THE ABILITY TO GO THROUGH THIS LEASE AND FOR MEMBERS TO SAY THAT IF WE FULFILLED OUR RESPONSIBILITY TO VET THIS CONTRACT THAT WE'RE ABOUT TO ENTER INTO AND TO MAKE SURE THAT IT TRULY IS THE DEAL OF A LIFETIME TO MAKE SURE THAT IT TRULY IS A WIN-WIN SITUATION BUT TO SAY THAT MEMBERS OF THIS BODY FEAR THAT THIS LEAST WOULDN'T GET THE APPROVAL THAT THEY WANTED TO I DON'T UNDERSTAND THAT IF IT'S A GOOD DEAL IT'LL SURVIVE THE LIGHT OF DAY BUT NOBODY WHO VOTED AGAINST THIS OVERRIDE MADE THAT ARGUMENT INSTEAD WE WERE CALLED NAMES PARANOID ANTI-MILITARY AGAIN NEGATIVE SOME MEMBERS CALLED FOR US TO BE OPTIMISTIC BUT I THINK THE PEOPLE OF GUAM WANT US TO BE REALISTIC WE HAVE FAILED OUR PEOPLE AND OUR RESPONSIBILITY TO MAKE SURE THAT WE'RE GETTING THE BEST DEAL FOR THIS ISLAND AND THAT'S ALL THIS IS ABOUT ARE WE ARE WE NOT GETTING THE BEST DEAL FOR OUR ISLAND I DON'T KNOW IF IT'S LOYALTY OR LAZINESS BECAUSE APPARENTLY SOME OF OUR MEMBERS CAN'T BE BOTHERED TO DO THEIR JOB AND SIT THROUGH A SESSION AND LISTEN TO DISCUSSION AND DEBATE I LOOK AROUND IN THE BACK THEY'RE OUT THERE PUFFING THEIR LIVES AWAY WELL ONE OF THE BIGGEST DECISIONS THAT HAS EVER FACED A SITTING LEGISLATURE IS BEFORE US *TAI MAMÁLÁO* I DON'T COME TO WORK WITH MY MIND MADE UP I DON'T LET ANYONE MAKE UP MY MIND FOR ME I'M EMBARRASSED TODAY I'M EMBARRASSED THAT WE CAN'T EVEN AGREE

THAT WE CAN DO OUR JOB WHICH IS AGAIN NOT TO KILL A HOSPITAL DEAL NOT TO BE ANTI-MILITARY BUT TO MAKE SURE OUR PEOPLE ARE GETTING THE DEAL OF A LIFETIME THAT'S WHAT OUR JOB IS IT'S VERY SIMPLE WE'RE NOT HERE TO STAND UP FOR ANYBODY BUT OUR PEOPLE THE PEOPLE OF GUAM.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** I'M JUST GOING TO READ THE PROVISION FROM OUR RULES REGARDING QUESTIONS OF PRIVILEGE QUESTIONS OF PRIVILEGE SHALL BE RAISED AT ANY TIME THEY SHALL BE FIRST THOSE AFFECTING THE RIGHTS OF *I LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* COLLECTIVELY IT'S SAFETY DIGNITY AND THE INTEGRITY OF ITS PROCEEDINGS AND SECOND THE RIGHTS REPUTATION AND CONDUCT OF MEMBERS IN THE REPRESENTATIVE CAPACITIES ONLY QUESTIONS OF PRIVILEGE OF MEMBERS MUST RELATE TO A PERSON'S PUBLIC ALLEGATIONS OF OFFICIAL MISCONDUCT AGAINST A MEMBER OR RELATE TO CHARGES AGAINST THEIR CHARACTER THAT WOULD IF TRUE INCAPACITATE THEM FOR MEMBERSHIP MEMBERS ARE NOT ENTITLED TO THE FLOOR ON A QUESTION OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE UNLESS A SUBJECT THAT THEY PROPOSE TO PRESENT RELATES TO THEM IN THEIR REPRESENTATIVE CAPACITY MERELY CRITICIZING A MEMBER'S ACTS IN *I LIHESLATURAN* DOES NOT CONSTITUTE A QUESTION OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE ACCUSING A PERSON OF DISREPUTABLE CONDUCT BEFORE THAT PERSON BECAME A MEMBER OF THE SIMILAR OR SIMILAR CRITICISM OF A MEMBER PERSONALLY AND NOT IN THAT PERSON'S CAPACITY AS A MEMBER DOES NOT CONSTITUTE A QUESTION OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE ON BRIEF EXTENSION OF REMARKS SENATOR FISHER YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

**SENATOR FISHER:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH MADAM CHAIR I RISE TO EXPRESS MY FULL AND ENTIRE SUPPORT FOR THE REMARKS JUST GIVEN TO US BY SENATOR BARNETT HE'S HE WAS CORRECT ON EVERY SINGLE POINT I WOULD REMIND THE PEOPLE OF THE BODY THAT THEY HAVE JUST SADDLED THE NEXT GENERATION AND THE GENERATION FOLLOWING THAT AND THE GENERATION FOLLOWING THAT WITH ONE BILLION DOLLARS OF DEBT AND THEY DIDN'T EVEN BOTHER TO LOOK AT THE NOTE THEY JUST SIGNED THEY WOULDN'T DO THIS IN THEIR PERSONAL LIFE BUT THEY'LL DO IT WITH SOMEBODY ELSE'S MONEY THAT BEING THE TAXPAYERS THANK YOU.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** THANK YOU SENATOR ON BRIEF EXTENSION OF REMARKS IS THERE ANY OTHER SENATOR WHO WOULD LIKE TO BE RECOGNIZED SENATOR SAN NICOLAS YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

**SENATOR SAN NICOLAS:** THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER I WOULD NEVER WANT TO MISLEAD ANYBODY AND I'VE SHOWED PEOPLE HERE THAT I'M WILLING TO WORK WITH EVERYBODY EVEN VOTING FOR A RESOLUTION THAT WAS PROFFERED BY A REPUBLICAN SO YOU KNOW I WOULDN'T WANT TO I COULDN'T SLEEP AT NIGHT KNOWING THAT ONE OF OUR MEMBERS WAS HARMED IN IN ANY WAY EVEN IF IT WAS A REPUBLICAN AND I'VE NEVER BEEN PRESSURED LIKE THIS BEFORE TO TO SIDE ONE WAY OR THE OTHER AND I I DID SPEAK TO MANY OF OUR COLLEAGUES ON THE MEASURE ON THE RESOLUTION SO THAT I CAN MAKE UP MY MIND AND SO I WAITED I WEIGHED BOTH OF THE UH THE ARGUMENTS AND I AND THE PEOPLE ELECTED ME TO REPRESENT THEM AND SO I THOUGHT THAT I REPRESENTED THEM VERY WELL AT LEAST AT LEAST FOR FOR ME AND I WOULD NOT STAND HERE OR DISPARAGE ANYBODY BECAUSE THAT'S NOT MY NATURE I I WANT THE TRUTH I PRAY AND HOPE FOR THE BEST AND I JUST WISH WE CAN MOVE THIS ISLAND FORWARD TOGETHER I HEAR YOU KNOW PEOPLE TALKING ABOUT THE GOVERNOR AND YOU KNOW SHE'S AN ELECTED OFFICIAL TOO AND PEOPLE ELECTED HER AND YOU KNOW I GIVE HER SOME RESPECT AND JUST LIKE HOW I GIVE EVERYBODY HERE RESPECT AND WE'RE ALL ELECTED TO DO CERTAIN THINGS AND I TRUST THE GOVERNOR SHE HASN'T THROWN ME UNDER THE BUS YET WITH THERE'S SOME THINGS THAT HAVE COME OUT OF SOME OF OUR OFFICES HERE THAT ACCUSE US OF BEING PUPPETS OR MEETING SECRETLY WITH THE GOVERNOR AND YOU KNOW THEY FORGET TO MENTION THAT A REPUBLICAN WAS THERE AS WELL WE'RE AND WE ALL HAD A A GOOD MEETING AN INFORMED MEETING WHERE THERE'S ONE THING I WILL NOT DO AND I CAN'T SLEEP AT NIGHT IF PEOPLE WERE WRONG PEOPLE WERE HURT IN ONE WAY OR ANOTHER AND SO I DID WHAT I DID BECAUSE I FELT THAT IS IT'S THE RIGHT THING TO DO AT LEAST WHERE I STAND AND I HOPE WE CAN CONTINUE TO DO THIS TO CONTINUE TO RESPECT EACH OTHER AND EVEN IF WE DISAGREE YOU KNOW WE CAN ALL SOMEHOW JUST BE RESPECTFUL WITH EACH OTHER AND THAT'S ALL I HAVE TO SAY ABOUT THAT THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** THANK YOU SENATOR ON THE BRIEF EXTENSION OF REMARKS IS THERE ANY OTHER SENATOR WHO WOULD LIKE TO BE RECOGNIZED SENATOR BROWN YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

**SENATOR BROWN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH MADAM SPEAKER A LOT HAS BEEN SAID THIS AFTERNOON BECAUSE I HAVE TO TELL YOU I THINK THIS IS GOING TO BE A DEFINING MOMENT THIS PARTICULAR BILL THE TWO BILLS THAT WERE NOT OVERRIDDEN TODAY I DON'T THINK ANY OF US ARGUE THE GOVERNOR'S THE GOVERNOR BUT WHEN THE LEGISLATURE AND CERTAINLY I CAN SPEAK FROM STANDING HERE IN THIS HOUSE YOU KNOW WHAT THE GOVERNOR CHOOSES TO DO IS WHAT THE GOVERNOR CHOOSES WHAT WE CHOOSE TO

DO IN THIS BODY REALLY IS WHERE WE SHOULD BE FOCUSED AND WHEN WE ABDICATE OUR RESPONSIBILITY TO ENSURE THAT PUBLIC RESOURCES AND PUBLIC FUNDS ARE PROPERLY SPENT AND HAVE THE CONCURRENCE OF OUR PEOPLE THEN WE'VE ABDICATED OUR RESPONSIBILITY WITH REGARDS TO THE VERY CHAIR THAT WE SIT IN THAT'S THAT'S A FACT MAYBE IT'S UNCOMFORTABLE FOR SOME THAT'S THEIR CHOICE BUT TO ESSENTIALLY ACQUIESCE TO DECISIONS THAT HAVE BEEN MADE OUTSIDE OF THIS LEGISLATURE AND THEN NOT WANT TO FIND OUT THE INFORMATION ON BEHALF OF THE PEOPLE AND LEAVE THE GOVERNOR TO DO WHAT SHE WANTS TO DO THAT'S NOT THE DEMOCRATIC PROCESS THAT'S WHY DOING THIS BUDGET IS GOING TO BE A JOKE BECAUSE WE'RE GOING TO DO THE BUDGET AND NICKEL AND DIME APPROPRIATIONS FROM DIFFERENT DEPARTMENT AND AGENCIES BUT AN UNDERTAKING THAT WILL PROBABLY EXCEED THE ANNUAL BUDGET OF THIS GOVERNMENT WAS JUST TOSSED AWAY TODAY ON SOMETHING SO SIGNIFICANT AND ALSO THE OTHER REALITIES THAT A MAJORITY OF THE MEMBERS OF THIS BODY DIDN'T SUPPORT THEY ACTUALLY SUPPORTED THE OVERRIDE IT'S THE MINORITY THAT DIDN'T THE MINORITY OF SIX VOTES DIDN'T VOTE FOR THE OVERRIDE SA *ÂHE NAI ÂHE* ALL YOU SUCCEED IN DOING IS SAYING *ÂHE* TO THE PEOPLE OF GUAM AND THAT'S NOT SOMETHING LIGHT BECAUSE AFTER A WHILE IT'S GOING TO SEEP IN ARE PEOPLE GOING TO UNDERSTAND WHEN THEY HAVE THEIR BARBECUES AND THEY RUN INTO EACH OTHER IN THE STORE AND THEN WHEN UNCLE HANG OUT AT MCDONALD'S ESPECIALLY NOW AGANA MCDONALD'S IS REOPENED AND THEY'RE GOING TO BE HAVING THOSE CONVERSATIONS THIS IS THE THIRD LEGISLATURE MADAM SPEAKER THAT I'VE SEEN THIS IN IT'S THE VERY REASON I'M HERE IT'S THE VERY REASON I RAN AGAIN AFTER 14 YEARS NEVER EVER EVER EVER THINKING I WOULD COME BACK TO THIS BODY BECAUSE I FELT MY TIME PEOPLE GAVE ME AN OPPORTUNITY AND I WAS VERY GRATEFUL FOR THAT BUT WHEN YOU SEE THIS CONTINUED LACK OF ENSURING THE PUBLIC INTEREST AND WHEN YOU DON'T TAKE THE TIME AND EFFORT TO LOOK AT WHAT IS BEING PUT BEFORE US AND BEFORE OUR PEOPLE AND OBLIGATING THEM MAYBE IT IS AS OUR COLLEAGUES SAID MAYBE IT IS LAZINESS BECAUSE WE ARE NOT DOING OUR JOB WE ARE NOT DOING OUR JOB AND LET'S NOT KID OURSELVES ABOUT THE PHONE CALLS AND THE PRESSURES MY OTHER COLLEAGUE HERE TALKED ABOUT HE'S NEVER FELT THE PRESSURE OH MY GOODNESS I FELT A LOT OF PRESSURE BUT WHEN I'M MAKING MY OWN DECISION ON BEHALF OF THIS CHAIR THAT I SIT IN I SLEEP AT NIGHT BUT THIS IS INEXCUSABLE COLLEAGUES THIS YOU'VE TIED YOURSELF TO AND THIS IS THE PEOPLE OF GUAM WILL REMEMBER BECAUSE IF YOU'RE ON THE WRONG SIDE OF THE PEOPLE YOU'RE NEVER GOING TO BE RIGHT AND WHEN YOU DON'T STAND UP FOR THE PEOPLE YOU'RE NEVER GOING TO BE RIGHT TO ALLOW THIS TO HAPPEN AND NOT DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT TO MAKE SURE THAT WE KNOW WHAT'S INVOLVED AND THAT WE'RE INVOLVED IN THE DECISIONS ON BEHALF OF OUR PEOPLE IS NOT RIGHT THERE'S NO OTHER WAY TO INTERPRET THAT AND THERE'S A PRICE THAT WILL BE PAID FOR IT WHEN *UN DIHA* AS OUR PEOPLE SAY YOU KNOW AS I GET OLDER I SO APPRECIATE OUR *CHAMORU* LANGUAGE BECAUSE THERE'S SO MUCH MEANING IN A FEW WORDS *UN DIHA* THE TIME WILL COME JUST WAIT THAT'S WHAT THEY TELL US YOUNGER PEOPLE BECAUSE SOMETIMES WE'RE SO IMPATIENT WE WANT TO THINK THINGS HAPPEN INSTANTANEOUSLY AND THEY TELL YOU TO JUST SIT BACK AND WAIT AND SEE WELL COLLEAGUES THIS IS ONE OF THOSE MOMENTS WE SHALL SIT BACK WAIT AND SEE WHAT ULTIMATELY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM HAVE TO SAY ABOUT ARE IN ACTION OR OUR ACTION TODAY BECAUSE I THINK THIS IS ONE OF THOSE DEFINING MOMENTS AND IF YOU'RE UNCOMFORTABLE BY ALL MEANS FEEL THE UNCOMFORTABLENESS BECAUSE YOU PUT OUR PEOPLE IN A VERY UNCOMFORTABLE SITUATION OBLIGATING THEM AND YET YOU DIDN'T TAKE THE TIME TO ENSURE HOW THEIR MONEY IS BEING PROPERLY.

**SENATOR PARKINSON:** POINT OF ORDER MADAM SPEAKER.

**SENATOR BROWN:** EXCUSE ME MADAM SPEAKER.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** STATE YOUR POINT OF ORDER.

**SENATOR PARKINSON:** TIME IS UP MADAM SPEAKER.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** THANK YOU.

**SENATOR BROWN:** I CAN APPRECIATE THAT BUT IT'S A COURTESY TO ALLOW PEOPLE TO FINISH THEIR COMMENTS WITHOUT CONSTANTLY INTERJECTING ALL OF US CAN SEE THE TIME I DIDN'T REALIZE ONE COLLEAGUE WAS THE OFFICIAL TIME KEEPER TO HARASS PEOPLE ON THE FLOOR WITH THAT MADAM SPEAKER I HAVE NO FURTHER COMMENTS.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** THANK YOU SENATOR ON BRIEF EXTENSION OF REMARKS IS THERE ANY OTHER SENATOR WHO'D LIKE TO BE RECOGNIZED SO VICE SPEAKER.

**NOTE VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES PRESIDES**

**VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES:** SPEAKER THERESE TERLAJE YOU ARE RECOGNIZED ON THE EXTENSION OF REMARKS PLEASE PROCEED.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** THANK YOU MADAM VICE SPEAKER WHEN I RAN FOR SENATOR IT WAS BECAUSE I HAD A GREAT RESPECT FOR THIS BRANCH OF GOVERNMENT I'D WORKED WITH IT FOR THE MAJORITY OF MY CAREER THIS WAS A PLACE IN MY MIND OF LAST RESORT FOR THE PEOPLE OF GUAM FOR THE TRUTH FOR JUSTICE FOR LONG-TERM ISSUES AND TO BE PROTECTED IT MADE PERFECT SENSE THAT BILL 12 RECEIVED 15 VOTES UNANIMOUS ON THAT DAY THE LEGISLATURE KNEW IT WAS THEIR JOB THEIR DUTY AND UNDER THE ORGANIC ACT ONLY THEIRS TO APPROVE LONG-TERM FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS OF THE GOVERNMENT HOW ELSE WOULD WE RESPONSIBLY BALANCE A BUDGET OR PLEDGE FUTURE PAYMENTS NONE OF US SENATORS WAS AWARE ON THAT DAY OF A PENDING LEASE OR THAT SUBSEQUENT TO PASSAGE OF THE BILL A LEASE FOR EAGLES FIELD OR *LALO* WOULD BE SENT TO THE GOVERNOR WITH A 30-DAY DEADLINE AS IT TURNS OUT BECAUSE OF BILL 12 SOME SENATORS WERE INVITED TO MEET THE GOVERNOR AND HEAR HER VIEWS ON WHY THIS PARTICULAR LEASE WAS SO IMPORTANT AND BECAUSE OF ITS IMPORTANCE IT SHOULD NOT BE REVIEWED BY THE LEGISLATURE SO VETO OF THE BILL BECAME ALL ABOUT THIS ONE PENDING LEASE AND THE THREATS THAT THE GOVERNOR WAS MANDATED TO ACT UNDER AND THEN SOME IN THIS LEGISLATURE STARTED WAVERING ON WHETHER IT WAS THEIR DUTY TO REVIEW PUBLICLY AND APPROVE FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS OF THE GOVERNMENT AND WERE CONVINCED BY THE GOVERNOR MAYBE THE ADMIRAL THAT IF REVIEW OF THE LEASE WAS MANDATED THE MILITARY WOULD NOT BE OUR PARTNER OR THE HOSPITAL WOULDN'T OR COULDN'T BE BUILT THERE IS NO TRUTH TO THAT DESPITE NO DOCUMENTS WITH THE DETAILS THE PEOPLE OF GUAM WERE ASKED TO JUST TRUST TO FUTURE NEGOTIATIONS AND VERBAL PROMISES OF WHAT THE REQUIREMENTS WOULD BE AND HOW IN-KIND PAYMENTS AGAINST THE ONE MILLION DOLLARS PER YEAR THAT IS WRITTEN IN THE LEASE MIGHT BE PAID TO TRUST THAT THE PLANNED 161 ROOM HOSPITAL WOULD ACCOMMODATE OUR GROWING POPULATION INCREASED WORKERS AND MILITARY PERSONNEL WHEN OUR 158 ROOM HOSPITAL IS ALREADY MAXED OUT IT WOULD BE EASIER HERE FOR US TO CLOSE OUR EYES LEAVE THESE DIFFICULT REALITIES AND DECISIONS TO ONE PERSON LET THEM DO WHATEVER BUT THAT'S NOT WHAT WE WERE ELECTED TO DO THAT'S THE WHOLE REASON WE ARE HERE TO BE ANOTHER BRANCH OF GOVERNMENT AN EQUAL BRANCH WITH CHECKS AND BALANCE REVIEW OF FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS OF THE GOVERNMENT IT IS A GREAT DANGER AND DISSERVICE TO THE PEOPLE OF GUAM TO RENDER THAT RESPONSIBILITY OF THE LEGISLATURE MOOT BILL 12 IS NOT ABOUT THE HOSPITAL IT'S ABOUT THE AUTHORITY OF THE GOVERNMENT OF GUAM TO ENTER INTO LONG-TERM LEASES WITH FEDERALLY CONTROLLED LAND IT IS ABOUT FEDERAL LAND GUAM'S UNIQUE HISTORY OF MASSIVE LAND TAKINGS AND LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY TO CONTROL EXPENDITURES AND THE DEBT THAT WE PUT ON FUTURE GENERATIONS I'M SADDENED BY THE FLIP-FLOP PING ON MEASURES TO ENSURE TRANSPARENCY AND PUBLIC INPUT AND HUGE FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS OF THE GOVERNMENT OF GUAM HOWEVER I WILL CONTINUE TO TRY TO MOVE THIS BODY TO OVERRIDE BILL 12 IN FUTURE SESSIONS AND BILL 13 AND TO FULFILL ITS DUTIES TO THE PEOPLE OF GUAM *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* MADAM VICE SPEAKER

**VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES:** THANK YOU SPEAKER TERLAJE ANYONE ELSE ON BRIEF EXTENSION OF REMARKS ANYONE ELSE IF NOT MAJORITY LEADER.

**SENATOR SHELTON:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH MADAM SPEAKER I MOVE TO ADJOURN THIS SESSION SUBJECT TO THE CALL OF THE SPEAKER.

**NOTE SPEAKER TERLAJE PRESIDES**

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** ON THE MOTION TO ADJOURN SUBJECT TO THE CALL OF THE SPEAKER IS THERE ANY OBJECTION SEEING NO OBJECTION WE ARE ADJOURNED SUBJECT TO THE CALL OF THE SPEAKER.