

I MINA'TRENTAI DOS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
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Bill No. 115-32 (COR)

Introduced By:

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**AN ACT TO ADD A NEW SECTION 16 TO CHAPTER X OF
PUBLIC LAW 31-233 (GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT OF
2013) MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FROM THE TOURIST
ATTRACTION FUND (TAF) TO INETNON GEFPA'GO
CULTURAL ARTS PROGRAM, INC. FOR THE PURPOSES
OF DEVELOPING A SOUTHERN VISITOR ATTRACTION
VENUE AT THE INARAJAN GARDEN HOUSE (IGH).**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

Section 1. Legislative Findings and Intent. *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* finds that Inetnon Gefpá'go Cultural Arts Program, Inc. (*Inetnon Gefpá'go*) is an award-winning program whose mission is to promote awareness and pride in Chamorro heritage through performance arts. This is accomplished through youth interaction with traditional Master Artists, community presentations and cultural exchange. Membership in the group begins in middle school then continues into the community-based, high school and adult after-school program where members further their cultural learning, continue performing throughout the island and represent Guam at major tourism promotions and festivals around the world.

I Liheslaturan Guåhan further finds that in November 2012, the Inarajan Garden House was purchased by a well-established and respected construction company doing business in Guam and Saipan, and that Inetnon Gefpá'go Cultural

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1 Arts Program, Inc. has been given a unique opportunity to develop a visitor
2 attraction venue that will provide cultural activities for our visitors, cultural arts
3 training, and jobs for our southern residents.

4 *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* further finds that Inetnon Gefpá'go has been given a
5 three (3) year use agreement with options for renewal to develop this four (4) acre
6 property into a cultural arts academy where visitors can enjoy contemporary
7 Chamorro cultural entertainment and family-oriented classes and events.

8 *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* further finds that revenue estimates for the Tourist
9 Attraction Fund (TAF) for Fiscal Year 2013 are tracking at Twenty-Five Million
10 Five Hundred Ninety-Six Thousand Six Hundred Eighty-Eight Dollars
11 (\$25,596,688), of which Twenty-Three Million Eight Hundred Eighty-Eight
12 Thousand Two Hundred Dollars (\$23,888,200) is appropriated.

13 *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* further finds that the TAF revenues for Fiscal Year
14 2013 are projected to exceed appropriations by One Million Seven Hundred Eight
15 Thousand Four Hundred Eighty-Eight Dollars (\$1,708,488), *in addition to* the
16 Fiscal Year 2012 ending cumulative fund balance of Four Million Sixty-Five
17 Thousand Fifteen Dollars (\$4,065,015), and is available for appropriation.

18 It is therefore the intent of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* to support the mission of
19 Inetnon Gefpá'go Cultural Arts Program, Inc. by providing a funding source for
20 the purposes of developing a southern visitor attraction venue at the Inarajan
21 Garden House.

22 **Section 2. A New Section 16 is hereby added to Chapter X (Guam**
23 **Visitors Bureau) of Public Law 31-233 to read:**

24 **“Section 16. Appropriation to Inetnon Gefpá'go Cultural**
25 **Arts Program, Inc.** The sum of Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000)
26 is hereby appropriated from the Tourist Attraction Fund (TAF) to Inetnon
27 Gefpá'go for the purposes of developing a southern visitor attraction

1 venue at the Inarajan Garden House (IGH). Notwithstanding the
2 general provisions of §30107.1 of Chapter 30, Title 11 GCA, and this Act,
3 this appropriation *shall* continue to be available until expended. The
4 provisions contained in Section 14 (Service and Reporting Requirements) of
5 Chapter X of Public Law 31-233 *shall* be applicable.”

6 **Section 3. Effective Date.** The provisions contained herein shall take
7 effect immediately upon the enactment of this Act.