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Introduced by:

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**ACT TO *AMEND* §61531 OF CHAPTER 61, TITLE 21, GUAM
CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO EXPANDING THE
PROVISIONS OF THE AUTOMOBILE PARKING SPACE
PROVISION.**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

Section 1. Legislative Intent. The laws governing automobile parking spaces do not recognize the use of motorcycles and mopeds. Residents of our island face the rising cost of gas prices and congestion on our roads. The community is also anticipating the increase in military presence within the next few years. This will result in more traffic on our roads, prompting residents to seek an alternative means of transportation such as motorcycles, mopeds, scooters, and other motorized two wheeled vehicles. For those who choose such methods, finding parking involves competing with automobile drivers. As we expect an increase in traffic, we can also expect an increase in the use of motorcycles, mopeds, and scooters. Currently, there are no designated parking spaces specifically to accommodate traffic and rider safety. It is the legislature's intent to designate appropriate areas as parking strictly for operators of motorized two wheeled vehicles.

Section 2. §61531 Chapter 61 of GCA is hereby *amended* to read as follows:

“Off-street automobile parking space shall be provided as follows:

- (a) For dwellings, at least one automobile parking space for each dwelling unit;
- (b) For hotels, at least one automobile parking space for each four guest rooms;
- (c) For places of assembly, such as churches, auditoriums or theaters with seating facilities, one parking space for each four seats;
- (d) For places of assembly, such as restaurants or night clubs without fixed seating facilities, one parking space for each one hundred (100) square feet of customer area in such use;

- 1 (e) For retail sales of building materials, and goods
2 requiring extensive display areas, industrial buildings and warehouses, one
3 parking space for each eight hundred (800) square feet of area in such use,
4 exclusive of loading requirements;
- 5 (f) For retail and wholesale sales and services, exclusive
6 of warehouse activity, at least one space for each one hundred (100) square
7 feet or portion thereof of usable commercial floor area;
- 8 (g) For professional and business offices, public
9 administration offices, one parking space for each four hundred (400)
10 square feet or portion thereof of floor area;
- 11 (h) For offices and clinics, of healing arts, at least five (5)
12 spaces for each practitioner;
- 13 (i) For hospitals and nursing homes, at least one space for
14 each two (2) beds;
- 15 (j) Three spaces for every four (4) employees.
- 16 (k) To the extent practicable, each of the subitems (a) through (j) shall provide
17 at least one (1) marked parking space for use by bicycles, bicycles with
18 motors, and motorcycles.
- 19 (l) Total parking requirements will be a total of all
20 applicable elements in paragraphs (a) through (k);
- 21 (m) Appropriate parking space for open space activities such as: swimming
22 beaches, picnic areas, campgrounds, boating areas, shall be determined by the
23 Territorial Land Use Commission.”