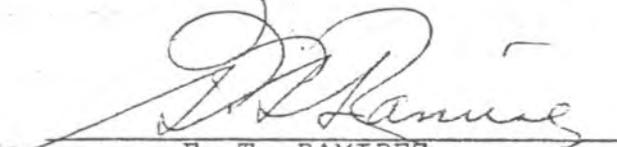


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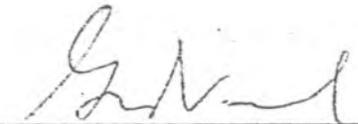
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CERTIFICATION OF PASSAGE OF AN ACT TO THE GOVERNOR

This is to certify that Bill No. 269, "An Act to add Subchapter B to Chapter VI of Title XII of the Government Code of Guam relating to Chamorro language and cultural education", was on the 19th day of June, 1973, duly and regularly passed.


F. T. RAMIREZ
Speaker

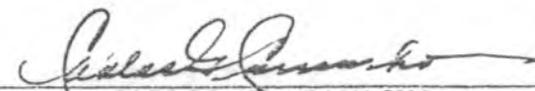
ATTESTED:


G. M. BAMBA
Legislative Secretary

This Act was received by the Governor this 22nd day
of June, 1973 at 3:30 o'clock P.M.


KEITH L. ANDREWS
Attorney General of Guam

APPROVED:


CARLOS G. CAMACHO
Governor of Guam

DATED: July 2, 1973
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Introduced by F. G. Lujan

AN ACT TO ADD SUBCHAPTER B TO CHAPTER VI
OF TITLE XII OF THE GOVERNMENT CODE OF
GUAM RELATING TO CHAMORRO LANGUAGE AND
CULTURAL EDUCATION.

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE TERRITORY OF GUAM:

2 Section 1. Subchapter B is hereby added to Chapter VI
3 of Title XII of the Government Code of Guam to read as follows:

4 "SUBCHAPTER B

5 CHAMORRO LANGUAGE AND CULTURAL EDUCATION

6 Section 11680. Statement of findings. The Legislature
7 finds and declares the following:

8 (1) Traditionally basic language differences in
9 Guamanian schools have been overlooked to the extent
10 that there exists a need for an education program to
11 revive and maintain the language and culture of the
12 people of the Marianas.

13 (2) At the present time the Department of Education
14 has an experimental bilingual-bicultural education
15 program funded under ESEA Titles III and VII and two
16 Guamanian schools with approximately 250 children are
17 participating.

18 (3) A bilingual-bicultural education program tends
19 to impart to students a knowledge of the history and
20 culture associated with their respective dominant language,
21 improves the potential of children of limited English
22 speaking ability, and if properly structured, turns dropouts
23 or potential dropouts into responsible citizens.

24 (4) There is definite need for students to learn and
25 preserve that which is unique, beautiful and viable within
26 the Chamorro culture, while at the same time acquiring those

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attitudes and skills which are necessary for successful competition in the mainstream of American life.

Section 11681. Authorization. The Board of Education is hereby authorized to initiate and develop a bilingual-bicultural education program emphasizing the language and culture of the Chamorro people."