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The Honorable Antonio R. Unpingco Speaker Mina'Bente Kuåttro na Liheslaturan Guåhan Twenty-Fourth Guam Legislature Guam Legislature Temporary Building 155 Hesler Street Hagåtña, Guam 96910

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Very truly yours,

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Attachment:

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cc: The Honorable Joanne M. S. Brown

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Attested:  JOANNE M.S. BROWN  Senator and Legislative Secretary	ANTONIO R. UNPINGCO Speaker
This Act was received by <i>I Maga'lahen Guahan</i> this _ 1998, at o'clock o'clockM.	3/st day of December
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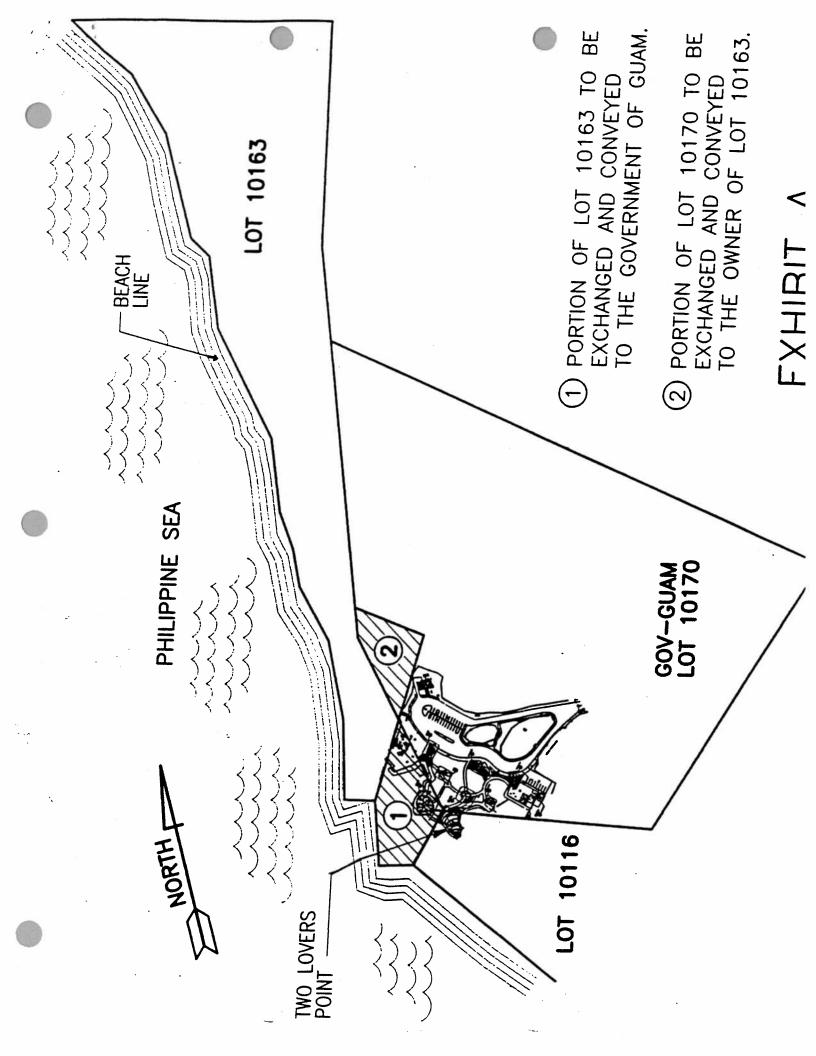
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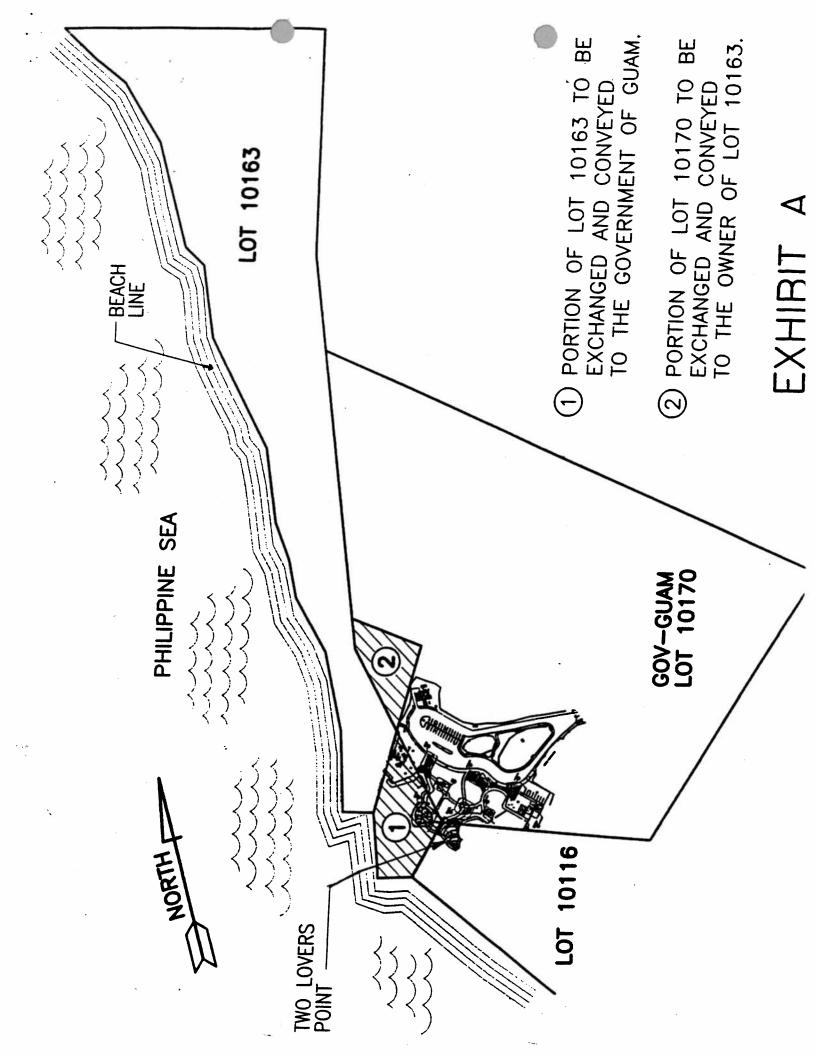
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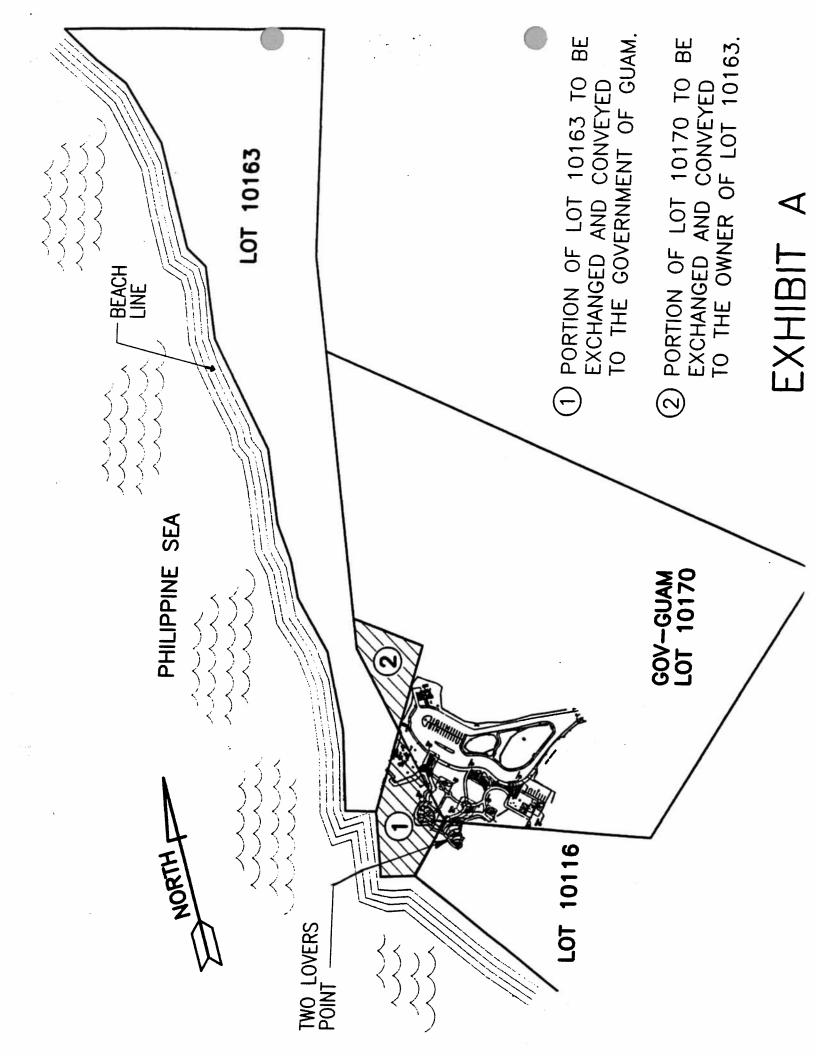
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# CERTIFICATION OF PASSAGE OF AN ACT TO I MAGA'LAHEN GUAHAN

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Attested:  JOANNE M.S. BROWN Senator and Legislative Secretary	ANTONIO R. UNPINGCO Speaker
This Act was received by I Maga'lahen Guahan at	this _/6 day of
APPROVED:	Assistant Staff Officer  Maga'lahi's Office
CARL T. C. GUTIERREZ I Maga'lahen Guahan	
Date:	
Public Law No.	

#### Bill No. 739 (COR)

As substituted by the Committee on Tourism, Economic Development and Cultural Affairs and as amended on the Floor.

Introduced by:

A. C. Lamorena, V A. R. Unpingco T.C. Ada F. B. Aguon, Jr. A. C. Blaz J. M.S. Brown Felix P. Camacho Francisco P. Camacho M. C. Charfauros E. J. Cruz W. B.S.M. Flores Mark Forbes L. F. Kasperbauer C. A. Leon Guerrero L. A. Leon Guerrero V. C. Pangelinan J. C. Salas A. L.G. Santos F. E. Santos J. T. Won Pat

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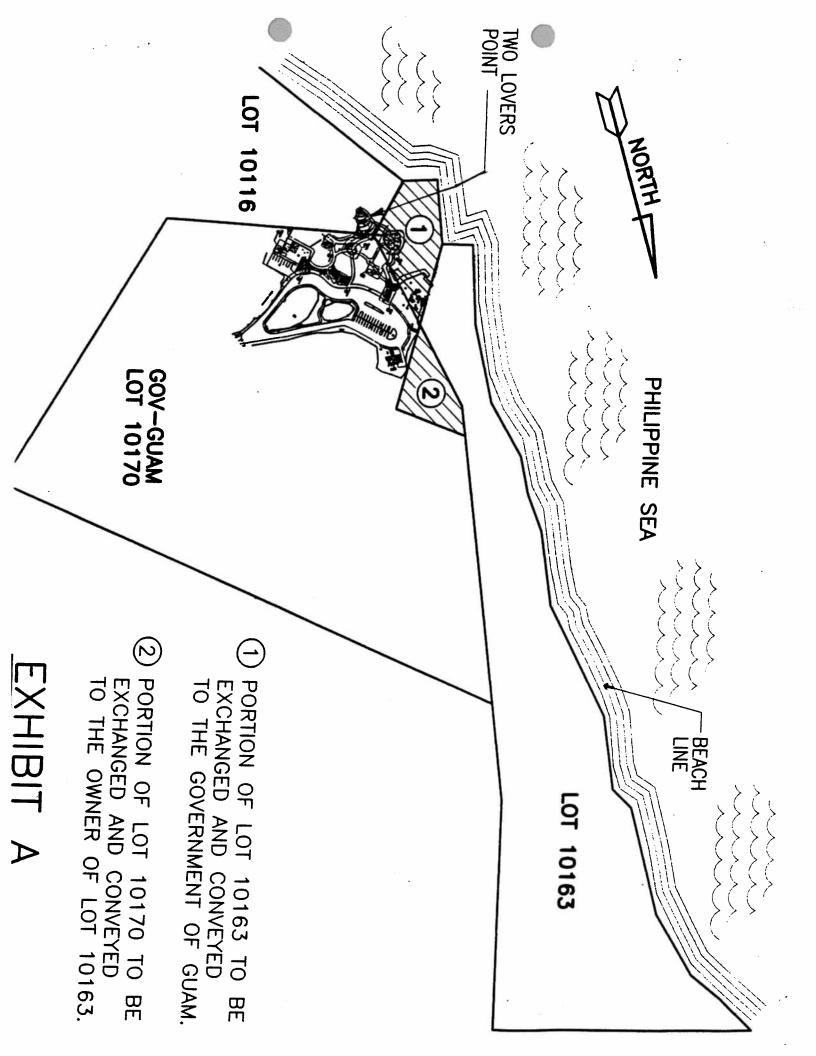
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# Alberto "Tony" Cristobal Lamorena V

#### Senator Twenty-Fourth Guam Legislature

December 3, 1998

Chairman Committee on The Honorable Antonio R. Unpingco Speaker Twenty-Fourth Guam Legislature 155 Hesler St. Agana, Guam 96910

Dear Mr. Speaker,

**Tourism** 

The Committee on Tourism, Economic Development and Cultural Affairs, to which was referred Bill No. 739, An Act to Reappropriate the Sum of One Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$1,500,000) from the Tourist Attraction Fund to the Guam Visitors Bureau for the Purposes of Renovating and Upgrading the Two Lovers Leap Park, has had the same under consideration, and now wishes to report back the same with the recommendation To Pass, as Substituted by the Committee on Tourism, Economic Development and Cultural Affairs.

Economic Development

The Committee votes are as follows:

and

To Pass

Not To Pass

Abstain

Cultural Affairs

A copy of the Committee Report and all pertinent documents are attached for your information and file.

Sincerely,

Inactive File \_

Vice-Chairman Committee on

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ALBERTO C. LAMORENA, V

Natural Resources

attachments





# Senator Alberto "Tony" Cristobal Lamorena V

Chairman

# COMMITTEE ON TOURISM, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS

Twenty-Fourth Guam Legislature

# VOTING SHEET ON BILL NO. 739

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# **RECOMMENDATION TO PASS AS AMENDED**

Committee Members	Signature	To pass	Not to pass	Abstain	Place in Inactive File
Senator Alberto "Tony"Lamorena Chairperson	axcl	7			
Senator Joanne Brown Vice-Chairperson					
Speaker Antonio Unpingco					
Vice-Speaker Anthony Blaz					
Senator Mark Forbes	Allen				
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Senator William Flores					
Senator Mark Charfauros					
	TOTAL VOTES:	6	0	0	0

Bill No. <u>739</u> as Substituted by the Committee on Tourism, Economic Development and Cultural Affairs

Introduced by:

A.C. Lamorena, V

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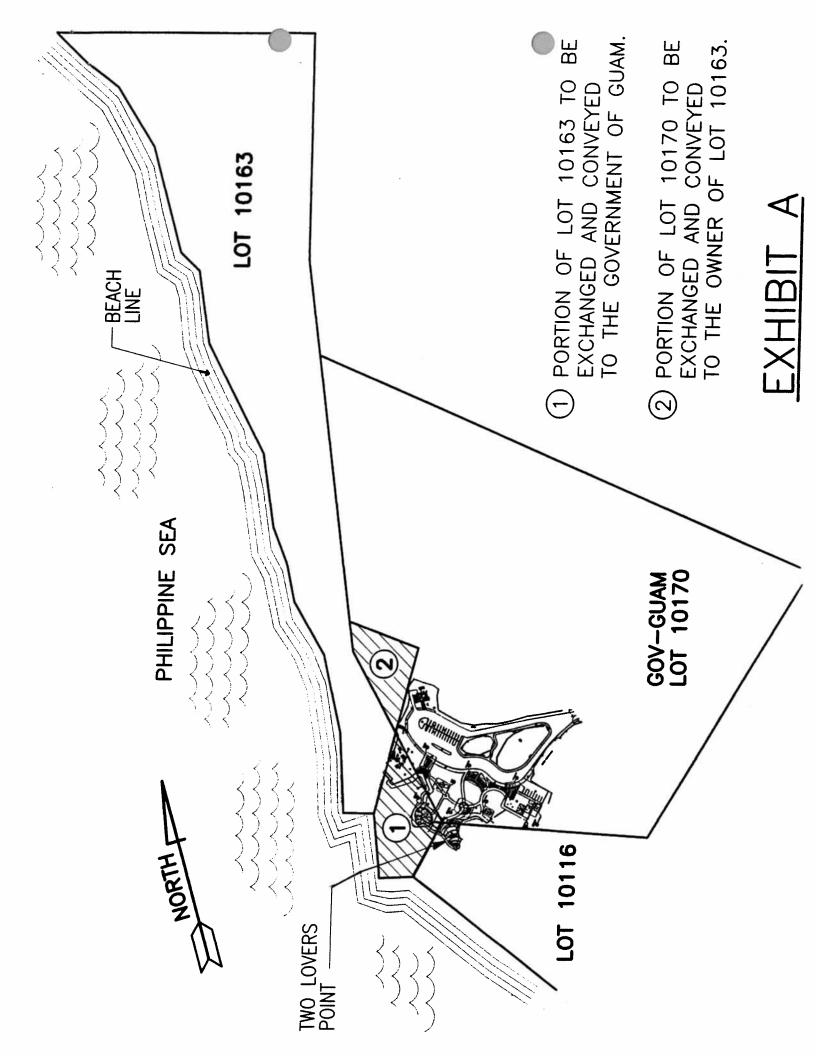
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### COMMITTEE ON TOURISM, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS

Twenty-Fourth Guam Legislature 155 Hesler Street Agana, Guam 96910

#### **COMMITTEE REPORT**

#### **ON**

#### **BILL NO. 739**

An Act to Reappropriate the Sum of One Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$1,500,000) from the Tourist Attraction Fund to the Guam Visitors Bureau for the Purposes of Renovating and Upgrading the Two Lovers Leap Park

#### **COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

Chairman: Senator Alberto C. Lamorena, V

Vice Chairperson: Senator Joanne M.S. Brown

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#### **INTRODUCTION**

The Committee on Tourism, Economic Development and Cultural Affairs reconvened the Public Hearing 9:28 a.m. Tuesday, September 29, 1998 in the Public Hearing Room of the Liheslaturan Guåhan Temporary Bldg., in Hagåtña.

Committee Members Present: Senator Alberto C. Lamorena, V., Chairman

Senator Eduardo J. Cruz

Other Senators Present: Senator Tom C. Ada

Senator Francis E. Santos

Senator Francisco P. Camacho Senator Frank B. Aguon, Jr.

Government Officials: Ms. Theresa Cruz-Paulino,

Acting General Manager, GVB

Mr. Bruce Kloppenburg, Vice Chairman

Guam Beautification Task Force

Mr. Dean Gillham, Member

Guam Beautification Task Force

Others: Former Governor Paul M. Calvo

Private Citizen Atty. Ed Calvo

#### **SUMMARY OF TESTIMONY**

Ms. Theresa Cruz-Paulino, Acting General Manager for GVB, provided the committee with oral testimony in support of Bill No. 739. Ms. Paulino-Cruz stated that because of the funds appropriated previously has reverted back to the TAF, GVB utilized funds from its operations budget to commence the renovations at the park. Basically, GVB is in support of the bill and urges the committee to favorably consider passage of the bill.

Mr. Bruce Kloppenburg, Vice Chairman for the Guam Beautification Task Force, provided the committee with oral testimony in support of Bill No. 739. Mr. Kloppenburg informed the committee that he is fairly new to the project since he just joined the Guam Beautification Task Force. However, he is doing his best to catch up from where his predecessor left off. Mr. Kloppenburg continued that when pursuing the implementation of the renovations to the Two Lover's Leap Park, the Beatification Task Force was notified by the Department of Administration that the funding for the renovation was no longer available. Therefore, approximately \$750,000 from GVB's operations budget was utilized, with the understanding that legislation to replenish the funds would be forwarded to the Legislature. Mr. Kloppenburg concluded that the renovation of the park are now underway and that completion is expected by the end of the year.

Mr. Dean Gillham, Member of the Guam Beautification Task Force, also provided testimony in support of Bill No. 739. On a separate issue, Mr. Gillham informed that committee that he is the owner of a portion of the property within the confined of the park. Mr. Gillham continued that at a later date, he will be approaching the legislature for assistance with respect to a land use exchange, or an out right land exchange.

Former Governor Paul M. Calvo appeared before the committee as the Chairman of Calvo Enterprises, owner of Pepsi Cola Bottling Company and owner of a portion of Two Lover's Leap Park. Governor Calvo stated that for the last 20-30 years, island residents and tourist have utilized the park at no cost to them. Governor Calvo continued that the government has not maintained the park as a result of the lack of funds to upkeep the park. Governor Calvo further informed that committee that he has invested approximately \$1.7 million on his project at the park, at that upon completion of his project, he would have invested close to \$2 million. Governor Calvo

concluded that upon completion of the project there will be an admission fee of anywhere between \$1.50-\$3.00 per person, with 50% being set aside for continued maintenance of the park, and 50% for future capital improvements.

Attorney representing the Calvo project. Attorney Calvo informed the members of the committee that he has been working on this project for the last 2-3 years. Since that time, the park remained unclean, and lacked the maintenance as a tourist site. Now with the implementation of the renovation project, island residents and tourist can appreciate the park when the project is completed. Attorney Calvo continued that prior to the renovation of the park, tourist would still go to the park, look out at the point and then leave. Majority of the tourist, if not all would leave disappointed with the condition of the park. Attorney Calvo concluded that he will be working on the Memorandum of Understanding between the private property owners and the government of Guam.

Testimony was submitted by Mr. David B. Tydingco, President of the Guam Hotel and Restaurant Association. In his testimony, Mr. Tydingco stated that the GHRA was in support of the passage of Bill No. 739. Mr. Tydingco stated further that the renovation of the park is long over due and badly needed, and that a large percentage of the visitors coming to Guam in the past have visited Two Lovers Point. Mr. Tydingco requested the committee's continued support to fund the completion of the project.

Testimony was also submitted by Mr. Toyohito Yoneyama, President of the Japan Guam Travel Association. In his testimony, Mr. Yoneyama announced JGTA's support for the passage of Bill No. 739. Mr. Yoneyama stated further that this legislation would be a catapult for increased business from Japan, as well as glorify Guam's most beloved legend. With the improvement of Two Lover's Point, Guam will have a golden token to show the world the beauty of its island and its culture. Mr. Yoneyama continued that the Two Lover's Point is one of the most popular points on Guam and a "must see" for the Japanese tourist. A renovation of the park would enable all the members of JGTA to converge on a special marketing plan to present Two Lover's Point as an attractive destination for families. Mr. Yoneyama concluded by stating that JGTA is confident that Bill No. 739 will become law for the people of Guam to benefit from this project.

#### **COMMITTEE FINDINGS**

The committee finds that "Puntan Dos Amantes" is Guam's most famous and visited landmark. A large number of visitors to the Park have indicated extreme disappointment with the condition, appearance and safety of the Park. In today's tourist market, it is of the utmost importance that Guam enhances its island wide facilities and image to protect Guam's economic lifeline, our tourism industry. The improvement of the Park facilities, maintenance, and safety is of a critical nature and essential to Guam's fragile tourist industry. Additionally, the committee finds that over the years, the residents of Guam, as well as our visiting tourist, have been afforded access to a portion of the Park which is privately-owned property. The committee recommends also that the Government of Guam address the issue of the Park area that involves the use of privately-owned property.

#### **COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS**

The Committee on Tourism, Economic Development and Cultural Affairs hereby reports out Bill No. 739 to the Twenty-Fourth Guam Legislature with the recommendation To Pass, as Substituted by the Committee on Tourism, Economic Development and Cultural Affairs.



# MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING PUNTAN DOS AMANTES

THIS MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING made this 2nd day of December, 1998 by and between CALVO ENTERPRISES, INC. ("Calvo"), and THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION, GOVERNMENT OF GUAM and THE GOVERNOR'S BEAUTIFICATION TASK FORCE (collectively the "Government").

Puntan Dos Amantes Park is a park facility situated in Harmon, Guam (the "Park").

The Park is probably Guam's most famous and visited landmark; however, the Park is presently a sparse, unclean, unsafe and unsightly facility, not very well maintained, favored only by spectacular views.

Notwithstanding the large numbers of visitors to the Park, tour agents and companies, as well as local visitors, have generally indicated extreme disappointment with the condition and appearance of the Park.

In today's fragile tourist market and the continuing crisis in the Asian economics, it is of critical importance that Guam improve and enhance its facilities and image to help avoid stagnation, or even decline, in our tourism industry.

The Government and GVB have identified the Park as a critical site to improve and maintain in an effort to improve and enhance Guam's image for tourists and residents alike.

The Park is made up of three separate property interests: the Government (largest portion of the Park), Calvo wholly owned subsidiary (the Park outlook, portion of Lot 10116-R1), and the northwest cliffline, portion of Lot 10163-1 owned by Dean Gillham ("Gillham"). Enclosed is a copy of a map of a portion of the Park showing the three respective property interests.

The parties agree that it is in their mutual best interest to improve and renovate the Park; thus, each party plans to improve its portion of the Park in a cooperative effort.

The parties have agreed on a comprehensive Park renovation plan.

The parties understand and realize that it is of utmost importance that once the Park is improved that it be maintained to the highest standard possible.

The parties feel that it is in their mutual best interest to establish an independent entity to assure that there be sufficient funding to operate and maintain the Park.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises and other good and valuable consideration, the parties agree as follows:

- 1. Government Capital Improvements. The Government shall fund up to \$1.5 million dollars for the initial renovation and improvements to the Park (the initial plan is attached hereto), including the following features:
  - Entry/Arrival Gate
  - Signage and street/landscape furniture
  - Sidewalk system
  - Bridge over natural rock cavity and hardscape
  - Comprehensive lighting
  - Renistall Two Lovers' statue
  - Landscaping, irrigation and drainage system
  - Interpretative center and restrooms
  - Vendors open structure facilities
  - Water tank for fire protection system
  - Rest/rain shelters
  - Parking lot additions and improvements
- Bell plaza (situated on a portion of Salas-Gillham property)
- 2. <u>Calvo Capital Improvements</u>. Calvo shall undertake the improvement of its portion of the existing outlook point in the Park and will charge an admission fee for entry and use thereof. It is intended that the Calvo improvements to said portion of the Park shall be undertaken during the Government's renovation and improvement project.

- Non-Profit Entity. To maintain and operate the 3. Park the parties shall form a non-profit entity with a six (6) person board of directors comprised of the following: Two (2) representatives of Calvo, two (2) representatives Beautification Task Force, a representative of the Department of Parks and Recreation, and a representative of the Guam Visitors Bureau; provided, upon Gillham's entering into this Memorandum of Understanding and commencing commercial activity on his portion of the Park, Gillham shall replace one (1) Calvo member on the board of directors. The non-profit entity shall be formed by the parties no later than sixty (60) days from the date hereof. The sole purpose of this entity shall be to collect and apply funds exclusively for the maintenance and operation of the Park. After the first year the board of directors shall establish an annual budget for Park maintenance and operation. Each annual budget must be unanimously agreed to by the board of directors.
- 4. Funding. The non-profit entity shall be funded in part from a portion of the revenues generated by (a) admission to the portion of the Park outlook point owned by Calvo (Section 2 above), and (b) other sources (Government funding, third party contributions and/or private donations). After the first \$1.50 of each admission charge for entry unto Calvo's portion of the Park outlook point, Calvo shall donate to the non-profit entity twenty-five percent (25%) to fifty percent (50%) of the excess over the

first \$1.50 of each admission fee collected to meet the maintenance and operation budget of the Park (Section 3 above). understood and agreed that upon the commencement of any commercial activity in the Park by a third party, including Gillham ("third party"), Calvo's funding requirements hereunder shall be reduced by the corresponding contributions to Park maintenance and operation by third party, as such contribution(s) maybe unanimously approved by the non-profit entity board of directors. The funding for Park maintenance and operations by the Government, private donations, Calvo and third party shall be segregated and maintained in separate accounts all in the name of the non-profit entity. non-profit entity shall utilize the Government funding and private donations for maintenance and operations prior to the Calvo and third party contributions being utilized. The Calvo and third party funding requirements shall have a total "ceiling" or limit equal to the annual operating and maintenance budget set by the board of directors each year. Once the Calvo's or third party's portion of the ceiling or limit is reached then the Calvo and third party funding, as the case may be, shall cease until the respective drop below \$50,000.00. Thereafter, the funding requirements of Calvo and/or third party, as the case may be, shall resume until the respective portion of the ceiling or limit is Notwithstanding any other provision herein, it reached. understood and agreed that the funding by Calvo and third party

hereunder shall be solely from admission fees and Park commercial activity revenue, respectively.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Memorandum of Understanding on the day and year first written.

CALVO ENTERPRISES, INC.

THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION

GOVERNMENT OF GUAM

By:

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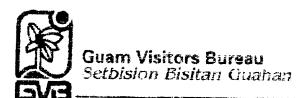
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Governor of Guam



To Jon Blee, Jes, Lamorenaiska Three

Frankling GVB

15 September 1998

HONORABLE ALBERTO A.C. LAMORENA, V. Senator and Chairman, Committee on Tourism, Economic Development & Cultural Affairs 24th Guarn Legislature Suite 314, Union Bank Building 194 Hernan Cortez Avenue Hagatña, Guam 96910

Dear Chairman Lamorena:

Hâja Adai from the Guam Visitors Bureaul Thank you for this opportunity to present testimony on

Bill No. 739 (An Act to Reappropriate the Sum of One Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$1,500,000) from the Tourist Attraction Fund to the Guam Visitors Bureau for the purposes of Renovating and Upgrading the Two Lovers Leap Park.)

With the Bureau's mission to improve and develop Guam, we believe that the renovation and upgrading of Two Lovers Point is a necessity in making this popular park a more clean and beautiful attraction. Furthermore, with the heightened competition we now face due to the Asian economic crisis, we must continue to enhance the tourism product we call Guam.

The Guam Visitors Bureau supports the intent of this measure and recognizes that this project falls within the authorized use of the Tourist Attraction Fund (TAF). We also feel that the upgrade and renovation of this project is needed not only for community enjoyment but in attracting additional visitors to our island.

Once again, Mr. Chairman, we extend our appreciation for this opportunity to testify on Bill 739 and stand committed in making Guam a better place to live and visit.

Respectfully submitted,

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Chairman of the Board

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September 29, 1998

Honorable Alberto "Tony" Lamorena V
Chairman
Committee on Tourism, Economic Development & Cultural Affairs
24th Guam Legislature
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Hafa Adai Mr. Chairman:

Thank you for the opportunity given to the Guam Hotel & to Restaurant Association to provide written testimony in support of Bill No. 739: An Act to Re-appropriate the Sum of One Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$1,500,000) from the Tourist Attraction Fund to GVB for the purposes of renovating and upgrading Two Lovers Leap Park.

Funding for the Two Lovers Leap renovation, authorized by previous legislation. lapsed due to delays in the initiation of the project. The renovation has since been initiated based on interim funding provided by the Guam Visitors Bureau.

Notwithstanding those delays, the renovation of the Two Lovers Leap Park is long over due and badly needed. A large percentage of visitors coming to Guam in the past have visited Two Lovers Point. This site is considered one of Guam's major natural attractions.

On behalf of the Guam Hotel & Restaurant Association, we extend our appreciation for your support of the Two Lovers Park Renovation and request your continued support to fund the completion of the project.

Senseramente.

DAVID B. TYDINGCO

President

# JGTA Japan Guam Travel Association

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September 29, 1998

Sen. Alberto C. Lamorena V Chairman, Committee on Tourism, Economic Development, and Cultural Affairs Twenty-fourth Guam Legislature Suite 314, Union Bank Building 194 Herman Cortez Ave., Agana, Guam 96910

Dear Sen. Lamorena:

Hafa Adai! Thank you for your continued support of the Japan Guam Travel Association (JGTA) and the advancement of Guam's Visitor Industry. Your insight for a sound and stable Visitor Industry is evident in your effort to improve the attractiveness of Guam through Bill No. 739. We praise your hard work and look forward to your continued support.

We have learned of the public hearing of Bill No. 739, which is scheduled for today, September 29, 1998. Briefly Bill 739 states:

Bill No. 739. An act to re-appropriate the sum of One Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$1,500,000.00) from the Tourist Attraction Fund to the Guam Visitor's Bureau for the purposes of Renovating and Upgrading the Two Lovers' Point Park.

On behalf of JGTA, we would like to announce our support of Bill No. 739. This important legislation would be a catapult for increased business from Japan, as well as glorify Guam's most beloved legend. As with any other destination in the world, culture plays an important role in attracting the interest of visitors. With the improvement of Two Lovers' Point, Guam will have a golden token to show the world the beauty of its island and its culture.

We regard Two Lovers Point as one of the most popular vista points on Guam and a "must see" for Japanese Tourists. In the past, inappropriate Infrastructure, Public Restroom Facilities, Vendor Facilities, and Public Safety considerations plagued the Two Lovers' Point as a dirty, unsafe, and unrepresentative of Guam's rich culture. A Renovation and Upgrading Project of Two Lover's Point would enable all the members of JGTA to converge on a special marketing plan to present Two Lovers' Point as an attractive destination for Families, Honeymooners, and the General Public alike. In this context, this proposition poses tremendous business opportunities and raises the possibility for increased revenue for the Government of Guam.

As such, and with our full support, we are optimistic that Bill No. 739 will soon become law and enable the people of Guam to benefit from this project. The livelihood of the whole island rests on Bill No. 739 and the ability of Guam's Government and Business Leaders to work together to strengthen the Visitor Industry and the Island Economy.

Sincerely.

Teyohito Yoneyama

President



# Senator Alberto "Tony" Cristobal Lamorena V

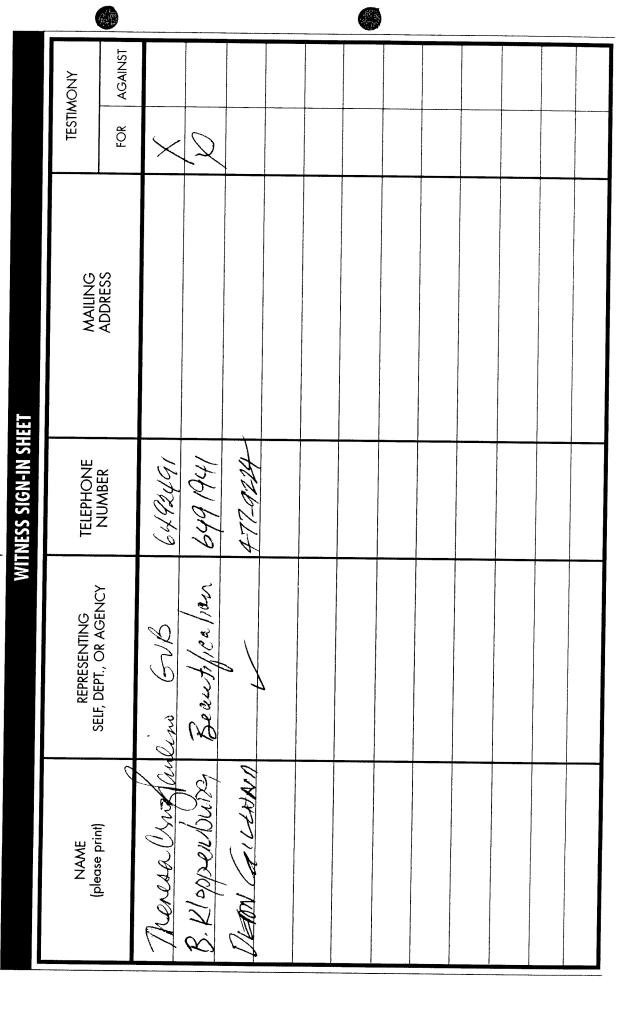
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