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Lieutenant Governor

21 MAY 2004

The Honorable Vicente C. Pangelinan
Speaker
I Mina'Bente Siete Na Liheslaturan Guahån
Twenty-Seventh Guam Legislature
155 Hesler Street
Hagåtña, Guam 96910

Dear Speaker Pangelinan:

Transmitted herewith is Bill No. 277 (COR), "AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY-SIX THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$186,000) FROM THE TOURIST ATTRACTION FUND TO THE GUAM VISITORS BUREAU TO SUPPORT AND PROMOTE SPECIFIC SPORTS TOURISM ACTIVITIES ON OUR ISLAND," which I signed into law on April 30, 2004, as **Public Law No. 27-86**.

I applaud Senator Aguon's endeavor to support various sporting events through Bill No. 277. The Bill appropriates One Hundred Eighty-six Thousand Dollars (\$186,000) to the Guam Visitors Bureau for the purpose of funding various sporting events in Guam in order to promote our island's sports tourism market. I fully endorse sports tourism on Guam and would one day like to see our island as a world-class destination for sports in the Pacific. Unfortunately, the amount appropriated is beyond the adopted revenue for the Tourist Attraction Fund. Please amend the adopted revenue to increase it to reflect this appropriation to ensure that these events are fully supported as intended in Bill No. 277.

Sinseru yan Magåhet,

FELIX P. CAMACHO
I Maga'låhen Guåhan
Governor of Guam

Attachment: copy attached of signed bill

cc: The Honorable Tina Rose Muña - Barnes
Senator and Legislative Secretary



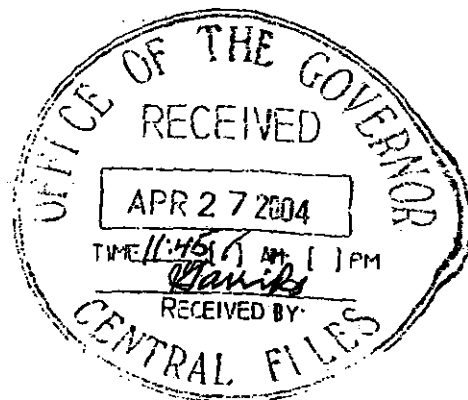
MINA' BENTE SIETE NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN

TWENTY-SEVENTH GUAM LEGISLATURE

155 Hessler Place, Hagåtña, Guam 96910

April 27, 2004


The Honorable Felix P. Camacho
I Maga'lahaen Guåhan
Ufisinan I Maga'lahi
Hagåtña, Guam 96910



Dear *Maga'lahi* Camacho:

Transmitted herewith are Bill Nos. 178(LS), 193(COR), 256(LS), 261(LS) and 277(COR), and Substitute Bill Nos. 17(LS), 115(COR), 119(COR), 146(LS), 172(LS), 175(LS), 177(LS), 183(COR), 220(COR), 230(LS), 231(LS), 249(COR), 255(LS) and 258(LS) which were passed by *I Mina' Bente Siete Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* on April 23, 2004.

Sincerely,


TINA ROSE MUNA BARNES
Legislative Secretary

Enclosures (19)

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I MINA'BENTE SIETE NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
2004 (SECOND) Regular Session

CERTIFICATION OF PASSAGE OF AN ACT TO I MAGA'LAHEN GUÅHAN

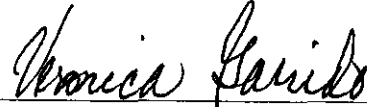
This is to certify that Bill No. 277 (COR), "AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY-SIX THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$186,000) FROM THE TOURIST ATTRACTION FUND TO THE GUAM VISITORS BUREAU TO SUPPORT AND PROMOTE SPECIFIC SPORTS TOURISM ACTIVITIES ON OUR ISLAND," was on the 23rd day of April, 2004, duly and regularly passed.

Attested:


Tina Rose Muña Barnes
Senator and Legislative Secretary

vicente (ben) c. pangelinan
Speaker

This Act was received by I Maga'lahaen Guåhan this 27 day of April, 2004,
at 11:45 o'clock A. .M.



Assistant Staff Officer
Maga'laha's Office

APPROVED:



FELIX P. CAMACHO
I Maga'lahaen Guåhan

Date: April 30, 2004

Public Law No. 27-86

**I MINA'BENTE SIETE NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
2004 (SECOND) REGULAR SESSION**

Bill No. 277 (COR)

As amended by the Committee on Appropriations
and Budgeting, General Governmental Operations,
Reorganization and Reform and amended on the Floor.

Introduced by:

F. B. Aguon, Jr.
J. M. Quinata
T. R. Muña Barnes
J. M.S. Brown
C. Fernandez
F. R. Cunliffe
Mark Forbes
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R. Klitzkie
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Ray Tenorio

**AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF ONE HUNDRED
EIGHTY-SIX THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$186,000) FROM THE
TOURIST ATTRACTION FUND TO THE GUAM VISITORS
BUREAU TO SUPPORT AND PROMOTE SPECIFIC
SPORTS TOURISM ACTIVITIES ON OUR ISLAND.**

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

2 **Section 1. Legislative Findings and Intent.** *I Liheslaturan Guåhan*
3 finds that in the last few years, sports tourism has shown that it has worth
4 on our island, as events held on Guam with a strong international appeal
5 tend to garner significant revenues for our island's economy. The recent

1 training visits of Japan's Yomiuri Giants and a professional Japanese soccer
2 team brought a league of fans, media reporters and photographers to our
3 island, in addition to the already considerable numbers of athletes, trainers,
4 coaches, and other support staff. This contingent of visitors infused much-
5 needed revenues into Guam's economy, and encouraging international
6 sporting events, in addition to training visits, will only further benefit our
7 island and our people.

8 In particular, the annual "Smokin' Wheels" races, the GUAM Asia
9 Supercross Championships, and the Asia Pacific Region Little League
10 Championships Tournament have traditionally attracted numerous and
11 various international athletes from around the region to participate, along
12 with several family members, trainers, coaches, and other support staff.

13 Therefore, it is the intent of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* to appropriate the
14 sum of One Hundred Eighty-Six Thousand Dollars (\$186,000) from the
15 Tourist Attraction Fund to the Guam Visitors Bureau for the purpose of
16 providing funding support to the 2004 "Smokin' Wheels", the GUAM Asia
17 Supercross Championships, and the Asia Pacific Region Little League
18 Championships Tournament in order to boost our island's sports tourism
19 market.

20 **Section 2. Appropriation.** The sum of One Hundred Eighty-Six
21 Thousand Dollars (\$186,000) from the Tourist Attraction Fund is hereby
22 appropriated to the Guam Visitors Bureau for the use of the Sports
23 Tourism Committee for the purpose of funding the following events:

- 1 (a) The sum of Sixty-Ei ght Thousand Dollars (\$68,000) for the
2 2004 "Smokin' Wheels", taking place on April 17 and 18,
3 2004 at the Guam International Raceway Park.
- 4 (b) The sum of Eighteen Thousand Dollars (\$18,000) for the
5 GUAM Asia Supercross Championships, taking place in
6 June 2004 at the Guam International Raceway Park.
- 7 (c) The sum of One H undred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000)
8 for the Asia Pacific Region Little League Championships
9 Tournament in July 2004, to be held at the *Paseo Stadium*
10 in *Hagåtña*, Guam.

11 **Section 3. Exemption from Transfer Authority.**

- 12 (a) The appropriations provided in Section 2 of this Act are
13 hereby *exempt* from the Guam Visitors Bureau transfer
14 authority granted in P.L. 27-29.
- 15 (b) The Tourist Attraction Fund ("TAF") appropriations
16 contained in Section 2 of this Act shall be utilized *solely*
17 for the purposes outlined herein and shall *not* be subject
18 to any transfer authority by *I Maga'lahaen Guåhan*.

19 **Section 4.** The Sports Tourism Committee of the Guam Visitors
20 Bureau shall submit a detailed report of expenditures of the funds
21 authorized herein to the General Manager of the Guam Visitors Bureau, the
22 Speaker of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan*, and the Public Auditor of Guam, *no later*
23 *than* May 2004 for Section 2(a) expenditures, July 2004 for Section 2(b)
24 expenditures, and August 2004 for Section 2(c) expenditures.

1 **Section 5. Severability.** *If* any provision of this Law or its
2 application to any person or circumstances is found to be invalid **or**
3 contrary to law, such invalidity shall *not* affect other provisions **or**
4 applications of this Law which can be given effect without the invalid
5 provisions or applications, and to this end the provisions of this Law are
6 severable.



FRANK B. AGUON, JR.

Vice Speaker

April 5, 2004

The Honorable ben c. pangelinan
Speaker, *I Mina' Bente Siete Na Liheslaturan Guåhan*
155 Hesler Street
Hagåtña, Guam 96910

Via: Honorable Senator Lou Leon Guerrero, Committee on Rules & Health

Dear Speaker pangelinan:

The Committee on Appropriations and Budgeting, General Governmental Operations, Reorganization and Reform, to which was referred, **Bill No. 277**, As Amended, "An Act to appropriate the sum of One Hundred Eighty-Six Thousand Dollars (\$186,000) from the Tourist Attraction Fund to the Guam Visitors Bureau to support and promote specific sports tourism activities on our island." has had the same under consideration, and now wishes to report back the same with the recommendation TO DO PASS.

The voting record is as follows:

TO PASS

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NOT TO PASS

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TO ABSTAIN DUE TO POTENTIAL CONFLICT

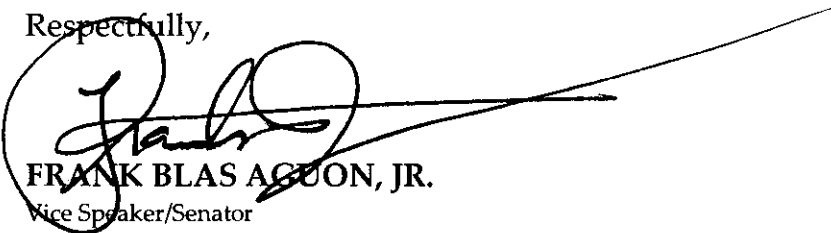
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Copies of the Committee Report and other pertinent documents are attached. Thank you for your attention to this matter. **Dangkolo' Na Si Yu'os Ma'ase.**

Respectfully,


FRANK BLAS AGUON, JR.

Vice Speaker/Senator

I Mina' Bente Siete Na Liheslaturan Guåhan

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FRANK B. AGUON, JR.

Vice Speaker

April 5, 2004

MEMORANDUM

TO: Members, Committee on Appropriations and Budgeting, General Governmental Operations, Reorganization and Reform

FROM: Vice Speaker Frank B. Aguon, Jr. Chairman, Committee on Appropriations and Budgeting, General Governmental Operations, Reorganization and Reform

SUBJECT: Committee Report – Bill No. 277, As Amended.

Transmitted herewith for your information and action is the report on Bill No. 277, As Amended, "An Act to appropriate the sum of One Hundred Eighty-Six Thousand Dollars (\$186,000) from the Tourist Attraction Fund to the Guam Visitors Bureau to support and promote specific sports tourism activities on our island," from the Committee on Appropriations and Budgeting, General Governmental Operations, Reorganization and Reform.

This memorandum is accompanied by the following:

1. Committee Voting Sheet
2. Committee Report
3. Bill No. 277, As Amended
4. Public Hearing Sign-in Sheet
5. Notice of Public Hearing

Please take the appropriate action on the attached voting sheet. Your attention and cooperation in this matter is greatly appreciated.

Should you have any questions regarding the report or accompanying documents, please do not hesitate to contact me. **Dangkolo' Na Si Yu'os Ma'ase.**

Respectfully,



FRANK BLAS AGUON, JR.

Vice Speaker/Senator

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Committee on Appropriations and Budgeting, General Governmental Operations, Reorganization and Reform

VOTING SHEET

Bill No. 277, As Amended, "An Act to appropriate the sum of One Hundred Eighty-Six Thousand Dollars (\$186,000) from the Tourist Attraction Fund to the Guam Visitors Bureau to support and promote specific sports tourism activities on our island."

Committee Members	To Pass	Not to Pass	To Abstain due to potential Conflict	To place in Inactive File
 FRANK B. AGUON, JR. Chair	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
 ANTOINETTE D. SANFORD Vice Chair	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
 LOU LEON GUERRERO Member	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
 TINA R. MUÑA-BARNES Member	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
 JOHN M. QUINATA Member	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
 RORY J. RESPICIO Member	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
 CARMEN FERNANDEZ Member	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
 MARK FORBES Member	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Committee on Appropriations and Budgeting,
General Governmental Operations,
Reorganization and Reform

**VICE SPEAKER FRANK B. AGUON, JR.
CHAIRMAN**

Committee Report
On
Bill No. 277, As Amended

"AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY-SIX THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$186,000) FROM THE TOURIST ATTRACTION FUND TO THE GUAM VISITORS BUREAU TO SUPPORT AND PROMOTE SPECIFIC SPORTS TOURISM ACTIVITIES ON OUR ISLAND."

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I. OVERVIEW

The Committee on Appropriations and Budgeting, General Governmental Operations, Reorganization and Reform to which was referred Bill 278(COR) held a public hearing at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, March 31, 2004 in the Public Hearing Room, *I Liheslaturan Guåhan*. A paid ad was publicized in the Pacific Daily News on Wednesday, March 24 and Monday, March 29, 2004. The hearing was also announced during the 6 p.m. broadcast of the KUAM evening news on Monday, March 29, 2004, and in the Pacific Daily News "Government Meetings" section on Tuesday, March 30, 2004.

Senators present at the public hearing were:

Vice-Speaker Frank Blas Aguon, Jr., Chairman

Senator Lawrence Kasperbauer, Member

Senator Ray Tenorio

Senator Robert Klitzkie

II. SUMMARY OF TESTIMONY

Francisco B. Aguon, Assistant District Administrator, Guam Little League Baseball, Inc., provided written testimony in favor of the measure (*see attached*). Aguon said Guam has received a great deal of positive publicity from Guam Little League teams in recent years, and providing this \$100,000 funding to the host the regional championships tournament will serve to provide more free publicity to mainland China, Japan, and other important Asian tourism markets.

Greg Borja, District Administrator, Guam Little League Baseball, Inc., provided written testimony in favor of the bill (*see attached*). Borja said supporting this tournament

Henry Simpson, Guam Raceway Federation, provided oral testimony in favor of the bill. Simpson said the "Smokin' Wheels" event has been covered by ESPN for past few years. This year ESPN agree to cover the event without the presence of the big, expensive professional racing teams, and will film and run race coverage for two races on April 17 and 18.

Richard Lai, Chairman of the Guam Visitors Bureau Sports Tourism Committee provided oral testimony in favor of the intent of the bill, but recommended that the funding go to the Sports Tourism Committee (STC) rather than to GVB as a whole.

Lai said the committee received a total of \$75,000 in initial funding, and is to act as a "clearinghouse" for sports tourism events. The committee already has in excess of \$450,000 worth of requests for event funding, but has less than \$50,000 left. Lai submitted a list of pending funding requests for the Committee's review (*see attached*)

Manny Duenas of the Guam Fisherman's Co-Op, provided oral testimony in favor of bill, saying that the perpetuation of these events help take kids off the streets. Duenas did say that GVB no longer funds two major fishing derbies that traditionally bring out many tourists to compete. Duenas said these events must not be forgotten, and that funding should be given for them.

Tony Lamorena, General Manager of the Guam Visitors Bureau provided written testimony in favor of bill, with the provision that the money comes to the Sports Tourism Committee instead of GVB itself. The organizations mentioned in the bill originally came to the STC, but were told to seek help with the Legislature, as the STC did not have enough money to fund them.

Ted Nelson provided oral testimony in favor of the bill, but said now is not the time to appropriate to the STC, as it would only add another layer of bureaucracy, and next year's budget will be better for funding the committee.

II. FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

The Committee on Appropriations and Budgeting, General Governmental Operations, Reorganization and Reform finds that Bill 277, As Amended: "An Act to appropriate the sum of One Hundred Eighty-Six Thousand Dollars (\$186,000) from the Tourist Attraction Fund to the Guam Visitors Bureau to support and promote specific sports tourism activities on our island," is worthwhile legislation that will bring tourists and their families to Guam to compete in the events specified.

Accordingly, the Committee on Appropriations and Budgeting, General Governmental Operations, Reorganization and Reform, to which Bill 277, As Amended, was referred does hereby submit its findings and recommendations to *I Mina Bente Siete Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* TO DO PASS Bill No. 277, As Amended: "An Act to appropriate the sum of One Hundred Eighty-Six Thousand Dollars (\$186,000) from the Tourist Attraction Fund to the Guam Visitors Bureau to support and promote specific sports tourism activities on our island."

- Attachments:
1. Bill 277, As Amended.
 2. Written Testimonies:
 - A. Frank B. Aguon, Assistant District Administrator, Guam Little League Baseball, Inc.
 - B. Greg Borja, District Administrator, Guam Little League Baseball, Inc.
 - C. Tony Lamorena, General Manager of the Guam Visitors Bureau.
 - D. List of pending funding requests with the Sports Tourism Committee, provided by Richard Lai, Chairman of the Guam Visitors Bureau Sports Tourism Committee
 3. Tourist Attraction Fund report.



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March 31, 2004

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Testimony of Assistant District Administrator
before the Committee on Appropriations and
Budgeting

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Mr. Chairman, Mr. Speaker and Hon. Senators, my name is Francisco Blas Aguon, or for short Frank Blas Aguon, Sr. I am here to testify in favor of Sub-section (c) of Section 2 appropriating the sum of One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00) from the Tourist Attraction Fund to the Guam Visitors Bureau Sports Tourism Program to help the Guam Little League host the Asia/Pacific (ASPAC) Little League Championship Tournament on July 2004 at the Paseo Stadium in Hagatna, Guam.

Before I proceed with my testimony, I want to express our appreciation, The Guam Little League, to the Guam Visitors Bureau and RC Cola for their help in our successfully hosting the ASPAC Mid-season Regional Administrators Preliminary Meeting held on February 6-8, 2004 and the Umpire Training held on March 13-19, 2004. The Preliminary meeting brought to Guam Mr. Joseph Losch, Vice-President of Little League from Williamsport, Pennsylvania, Mr. B.H. Chow, Director of ASPAC of Hongkong and nine other District Administrators from the Asia/Pacific Region. There were about thirty (30) umpires that participated in the Umpire Training program. Three professional Umpires from Williamsport conducted the training.

In the last three years, Guam has sent three Major teams (11-12 years old) to participate in the Little League World Series in Williamsport, Pennsylvania. We hope that the Guam Little League Major Team will prevail in this year's Pacific Tournament and make it a fourth in a row. At this point, I need to give thanks to those individuals who had foresight to divide the Far East Teams to ASIA and the PACIFIC Regions. The major teams become two separate teams; the Asia Teams and the Pacific Teams. Each group compete among themselves and the Champion from each group goes

ATTACHMENT 2A

Testimony of ADA continued:

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directly to the Little League World Series.

The Juniors (13-14 years old), the Seniors (15-16 years old) and the Big League (17-18 years old) although less publicity were given to them, Guam has been sending at least two (2) teams from these age groups each year to the World Series held in different states each year. Guam Major Team received excellent publicity in 2001 by the major news media whether it be NBC, ABC, BBC, ESPN or others. The Team Guam of 2001 received over twenty (20) minutes of publicity by ESPN. Indeed, a major accomplishment for Guam and free at that.

Please, allow me a minute to express The Guam Little League appreciation to the Bank of Hawaii especially the Executive Vice-President, Mr. Ron Leach, in bailing the 2001 Team Guam on their way to HongKong Regional Tournament, a Twelve Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$12,500.00) signature loan to Mr. Greg M. Borja and yours truly. We are ever thankful to BANK OF HAWAII, a friend indeed when in need.

The year 2004 ASPAC Regional Little League Tournament in Guam will be held from July 9-14 for the Juniors, Seniors, and Big Leagues. Each Division will have a minimum of three (3) teams and possibly as many as five (5) teams in some division. The Majors (11-12) tournament will be held from July 22-28 and will show the best of ASIA TEAMS and the PACIFIC TEAMS separately. The ASIA Teams will consist of teams from Japan, Korea, China, Taiwan and Hongkong. The PACIFIC teams will consist of teams from CNMI, the Philippines, Indonesia, Guam and possibly a team from FSM and/or Palau. Each competing team will be asked to bring one major media of their choice to help in the publicity of their respective teams back to their country. Little League world-wide would have their eyes on the Japan Team, since Japan won the 2003 Major League World Series in Williamsport. Which team will defeat Japan in ASPAC Regional Tournament?

We are especially pleased that CHINA has indicated that a second team will be sent to Guam which only means more publicity to the Mainland, China. This extra publicity would help augment our Governor, Governor Felix P. Camach, promotional effort to bring TOURIST from Mainland China to Guam. We are very hopeful that the media in Guam both electronic and Print will go out of their way to help the Guam Little League in maximizing the exposure of Sports Tourism throughout the ASPAC Little League Regional Tournament at the Paseo Stadium in Hagatna, Guam.

I will be remiss to close my testimony without acknowledging the tremendous financial help from our business community, Bank of Hawaii, RC Cola, the Guam Visitors Bureau and all others that are supporting the various teams from the four (4) different Leagues, the Northern, the Central East, the Central and the Southern. Our heartfelt SI YUUS MAASE and THANK YOU from ALL MEMBERS OF THE GUAM LITTLE LEAGUE.

Last, Mr. Chairman, Mr. Speaker and Hon. Senators, may I use this FORUM to ASK our business community to generously help the Guam Little League through this forthcoming ASPAC Regional Tournament financially. We direly need the support of the Business Community and plead for their help. Our estimated financial outlay for this year's 2004 ASPAC Regional Little League Tournament is in excess of Two Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$200,000.00). Every dollar spent on this tournament will be more than worth the publicity world-wide Guam will received. More importantly, every dollar spent in this Tournament will be spent in GUAM. The CHAMPIONS of this tournament, five (5) in all, their respective trip to the World Series will be paid by Little League in Williamsport. In fact, Little League has already designated GUAM and JAPAN as the hub for the Champions to and from Williamsport. Another, plus for Guam.

SI YUUS MAASE and THANK YOU, Mr. Chairman, Mr. Speaker and Hon. Senators for hearing me out. Should you have any question, please direct them to my District Administrator, Mr. Greg M. Borja.

March 31, 2004

ATTACHMENT 2 B

Honorable Senator Frank B. Aguon, Jr.
Vice Speaker, Chairman, Committee on
Appropriation and Budgeting, GGO
Reorganization and Reform

Mr. Chairman and Honorable Members of the Committee
Thank you for the invitation to participate in this hearing.
My name is Gregorio M. Borja, District Administrator
of the Guam Little League, member of the Asia-
Pacific (AS-PAC) Region.

I am here this morning to encourage to Bill No. 277 (C)
- Guam District comprised of four (4) chartered leagues
embracing a specific League Boundary and which
operating independently of each other ~~independ~~ with
their Board of Directors and officers elected annually
in October, and terms expiring on September 30th
the following year.

Northern League - Central League - Southern League
and Central East League

The following is the 2004 season structure of
our program.

Minor 6-9 yrs. 11 Teams	Majors 10-12 yrs. 22 Teams	Juniors 13-14 yrs. 5 Teams	Seniors 14-16 yrs. 2 Teams	Big League 16-18 yrs. 5 Teams
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There are (45) Teams participating in games which is now in progress in various fields around the Island, on Saturdays and Sundays.

The TEE BALL program will start in June^{when} the 5 and 6 years old are free from their school activities. More than 700 young Boys and girls are participating in our program.

There 21 countries/Districts in the Asia-Pacific Region and the following have confirmed their commitment to participate in this year's Regional Tournament in Guam:

2004 ASPAC LITTLE LEAGUE REGIONAL TOURNAMENT

Proposed Tournament Schedule Juniors, Seniors and Big League

⁹ July 10 to 14, 2004 ¹⁵
Paseo Stadium, Hagatna, Guam

PARTICIPATING TEAMS

JUNIORS

1. CNMI ✓
2. Indonesia ✓
3. Guam ✓
4. Palau
5. Philippines ✓
6. China

SENIORS

1. CNMI ✓
2. Guam ✓
3. Palau
4. Philippines ✓

BIG LEAGUE

1. CNMI ✓
2. Guam ✓
3. Palau
4. Philippines ✓

2004 ASPAC LITTLE LEAGUE REGIONAL TOURNAMENT

Proposed Tournament Schedule Major League

²² July 23 to 28, 2004 ²⁹
Paseo Stadium, Hagatna, Guam

PARTICIPATING TEAMS

ASIA

1. China ✓
2. Chinese Taipei ✓
3. Hong Kong ✓
4. Japan ✓
5. Korea ✓

PACIFIC

1. CNMI ✓
2. FSM
3. Guam ✓
4. Indonesia ✓
5. Palau
6. Philippines ✓

Guam Little League hosted the Regional Administrative meeting on February 6-8, 2004, and the Umpires Training Clinic conducted by Umpire-in-Chief Mr. Andy Konyar, from Williamsport Pa., assisted by Mr. Steven Sorensen and Mr. Frank Policar. March 14-19, 2004.

We are happy to report that 25 of our own participated and certified by Little League Baseball International Operations.

So much for us patting ourselves in the back, our program can only be successful by the total support of the Adult Volunteers and Parents who organized and trained the young participants as managers and coaches as well as all the team sponsors.

At this point and time I would like to submit a copy of our organization overview that we submit to Guam Visitors Bureau, Community Development Grant for your consideration.

In behalf of our Little League families, we are grateful and appreciative of your interest support to this program ~~which~~ which will greatly benefit our entire Island Community.

Thank you

TESTIMONY ON BILL 277

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March 31, 2004

Buenas Yan Hafa Adai,

Vice Speaker Frank B. Aguon Jr., Chairman and members of the Committee on Appropriations and Budgeting, General Operations, Reorganization and Reform. My name is Tony Lamorena, General Manager of the Guam Visitors Bureau, thank you for affording us the opportunity to submit testimony on behalf of the Guam Visitors Bureau on Bill 277, an act to appropriate the sum of one hundred eighty-six thousand dollars (\$186,000) from the Tourist Attraction Fund to the Guam Visitors Bureau to support and promote specific sports tourism activities on our island.

The Guam Visitors Bureau supports the intent of Bill 277 as it promotes a new market segment to our visitor base. Last year Governor Felix Camacho urged the board to seriously promote "Sports Tourism", this legislative body also passed legislation to create a taskforce to look into the viability of this market. A report has since been submitted to the legislature with its findings that confirms sports tourism is in fact a viable endeavor.

The Board of Directors of the Guam Visitors Bureau has recently created a sports tourism committee; board member Richard Lai, who has an extensive background in the sports field, chairs this new standing committee. Although, funding remains a problem for the committee since it was created after the fiscal year budget was passed. The various standing committees have contributed a small portion of their budgets to the committee but are not sufficient to meet the demands.

The organizers of the events mentioned in Bill 277 originally approached the GVB Board of Directors and the Sports Tourism Committee for funding. The Board and the Committee supports the events but due to the lack of funds within GVB's existing operational budget the Bureau recommended they seek other alternatives such as corporate sponsorship.

On October 9, 2003 the GVB Board created the "Sports Tourism Committee" to promote Guam as a credible sports tourism destination. Recent successes include the preconditioning training camp by the Yomiuri Giants held in January. The Giants attracted over 120 media, which created a huge impact for Guam with over \$30 million in media coverage in our core market, Japan. This is a huge success in accomplishing good public relations exposure for tourism and for Guam.

Other sports training camps this year include the Tokyo Verde Football team, the Sapporo Cosadole Football team, Japan National swim team, Japan National women's synchronized swim team, Japan Olympic women's softball team, various professional Korean pitchers from several teams have also trained on Guam. The Governor's Cup Ladies Professional Association Tournament that was recently held also brought positive media exposure.

The goals of the committee are to enhance Guam's image as a credible sports destination for both amateur and professional sports. Secondly, to support sports related programs and individuals, which

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serve to improve our image as a safe sports tourism destination. And lastly, to encourage marketable sports activities within the industry in conjunction with the Bureau's overall mission.

Currently, the Committee has over 13 grant applications pending for various sporting events. All of the applications have a noble cause to promote sports tourism on Guam and to further develop this market segment in attracting participants, support staff, and spectators to our island thus contributing to our island economy. Therefore, GVB recommends that the funds identified in Bill 277 be appropriated to the sports tourism committee to be used to fund various sporting events including those mentioned in Bill 277.

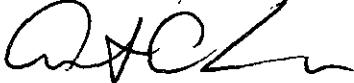
The Committee has a committed group of members who are capable of screening applications to ensure that funds are used properly and efficiently. The Committee then makes recommendations to the Board for approval. The GVB Board also provides oversight on all policy matters pertaining to the GVB mission while being fiscally responsible. The GVB management and staff will also ensure that funds are spent in the manner, which they were intended, and ensure that issues such as event insurance, protocol, and sponsor acknowledgements are in order. In short, GVB has the mechanisms in place to ensure the people of Guam that diligence is taken to ensure the spending of public funds is proper and accountable.

In closing we support the intent of Bill 277 and that the funds be appropriated to GVB as the administrators of the allocation, through the Sports Tourism Committee. The Bureau will be diligent in ensuring that the organizers are in accordance with the overall mission of the Sports Tourism Committee as well as other criteria necessary for a successful event.

We also want to state again that the Sports Tourism Committee is in need of supplemental funds in order to meet their mission statement and to aggressively go after potential organizations that seek support for sports related activities. With our island's warm weather and upgraded facilities, we can make our goal of Guam being the perfect sports destination a reality, putting Guam on the sports world map as a well as infusing money into our economy.

On behalf of the Guam Visitors Bureau, I would like to again thank you for allowing us the opportunity to testify on Bill 277.

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Tony Lamorena
General Manager

**Guam Visitors Bureau
FY2004 Pending Sports Grant Requests**

Exhibit B

Guam-Japan International ATV Races March 20 – 21, 2004 • Tado, Japan April 17 – 18, 2004 • Yigo, Guam May 22 – 23, 2004 • Kawanishi, Japan June 19 – 20, 2004 • Sugo, Japan July 24 – 25, 2004 • Kayama, Japan August 21 – 22, 2004 • Kawanishi, Japan September 18 – 19, 2004 • Karuizawa, Japan October 9 – 10, 2004 • Tado, Japan November 6 – 7, 2004 • Sugo, Japan	\$68,000	Rec'd 1/14/04
Smokin' Wheels April 17 – 18, 2004 • Yigo International Raceway Park	\$68,000	Rec'd 2/9/04
1 st Annual Guam International Tennis Open May 22 – 23, 2004 • Hilton Resort & Spa	\$15,000	Rec'd 2/13/04
Tumon Bay Ocean Swim May 29, 2004 • Tumon Bay	\$5,000	Rec'd 3/5/04
Manukai International Cocos Crossing Ocean Swim May 30, 2004 • Merizo	\$15,000	Rec'd 3/10/04
Inaugural Lifeguard Challenge May 31, 2004 • Tumon Bay	\$5,000	Rec'd 3/5/04
UAM Asian Supercross Championships June 2004 • Yigo International Raceway Park	\$18,000	Rec'd 2/9/04
Micronesia Basketball Tournament July 5 – 10, 2004 • UOG Fieldhouse, Mangilao	\$10,000	
8 th World Youth Tenpin Bowling Championships July 28 – August 8, 2004 • Central Lanes, Tamuning	\$15,000	Rec'd 3/5/04
Guam Extreme Adventure Race V September 18, 2004 • Undisclosed location	\$10,000	
Guam Little League Championships Playoffs July 2004 • Guerrero Field, Hagatna	\$100,000	Rec'd
World Ranking Masters Bowling Championship June 22 – 27, 2004 • Moscow, Russia	\$2,000	Rec'd 3/25/04
Isla International Triathlon and Half Ironman June 19, 2004 • Tumon to Merizo	\$5,000	Rec'd 3/5/04
Kaizen Volleyball Club Junior Olympics Boys Volleyball Championships July 2004 • Austin, Texas	\$1,000	Re c'd 3/4/04
2004 Jet Sports Japan Championships May 29 – 30, 2004 • Makuhari June 26 – 27, 2004 Choshi July 24 – 25, 2004 Sennan August 28 – 29, 2004 Fukuoka September 25 – 26, 2004 Fujisawa	\$100,000	Rec'd 11/14/03
Total Request:	\$452,000	

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FY 2004	October	November	December
All Arrivals-Air CIV/MIL	83,254	97,489	93,934
Projected Arrivals	75,000	70,000	85,000
% Difference	11%	39%	11%
Total CIV/MIL who use accommodations subject to HOT	78,650	88,091	88,299
Average Visitors per room	1.9	1.9	1.9
Average nights stay	3.5	3.5	3.5
Room Nights Demand	144,882	162,273	162,656
Projected Room Nights Dem	138,158	128,947	156,579
% Difference	4%	25%	4%
Hotel Rooms for Sale	8,659	8,659	8,659
Room Nights Supply	268,429	259,770	268,429
Occupancy	54%	62%	60%
Actual Occupancy Rate	51%	50%	58%
Point Difference	-2%	-12%	-2%
(Mean) Average Room Rate	\$ 81	\$ 85	\$ 101
\$ 90			
Revenues	\$11,735,407.89	\$13,793,196.05	\$16,428,261.32
Anticipated HOT Collections (11%)	\$1,290,894.87	\$1,517,251.57	\$1,807,108.74
Projected HOT Collections (87.38%)			
Actual HOT Collections	\$1,611,767.89	\$1,281,615.10	\$1,164,962.72
Difference	\$320,873.02	(\$235,636.47)	(\$642,146.02)

January	February	March	April	May
101,819	112,053	99,375	91,475	96,341
90,000	96,800	99,375	91,475	96,341
13%	16%			
96,985	96,634	93,015	85,621	90,175
1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9
3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5
178,657	178,010	171,343	157,722	166,112
165,789	178,316	183,059	168,507	177,470
8%	1%			
8,659	8,659	8,659	8,659	8,659
268,429	251,111	268,429	259,770	268,429
67%	71%	63%	60%	61%
62%	71%			
-5%	0%			
\$ 96	\$ 87	\$ 95	\$ 95	\$ 95
\$17,151,031.58	\$15,486,870.00	\$17,390,625.00	\$16,008,125.00	\$16,859,675.00
\$1,886,613.47	\$1,703,555.70	\$1,912,968.75	\$1,760,893.75	\$1,854,564.25
		\$1,671,552.09	\$1,538,668.96	\$1,620,518.24
\$1,418,123.49	\$1,568,680.18			
(\$468,489.98)	(\$134,875.52)	\$241,416.66	\$222,224.79	\$234,046.01

June	July	August	September	TOTAL
102,300	108,500	112,650	96,164	1,195,354
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95,753	101,556	105,440	90,010	1,110,228
1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	
3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5	
176,387	187,077	194,232	165,807	2,045,158
188,447	199,868	207,513	177,144	
8,659	8,659	8,659	8,659	
259,770	268,429.00	268,429.00	259,770	3,169,194
67%	68%	71%	63%	64%
\$ 95	\$ 95	\$ 95	\$ 95	
\$17,902,500.00	\$18,987,500.00	\$19,713,750.00	\$16,828,700.00	\$ 200,913,884.96
\$1,969,275.00	\$2,018,950.86	\$2,168,512.50	\$1,851,157.00	\$21,741,746.47
\$1,720,752.50	\$1,764,159.26	\$1,894,846.22	\$1,617,540.99	\$11,828,038.26
				\$ 7,045,149.38
\$248,522.51	\$254,791.60	\$273,666.28	\$233,616.01	\$18,873,187.64

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Legislative Public Hearing Room:

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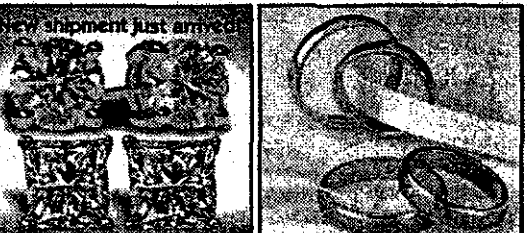
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The U.S. administration has been pushing Beijing to stop linking its currency to the U.S. dollar and let the value of the yuan be set in open markets.

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VEYORS BOARD: 4 p.m. March 30, board conference room, Suite 208, East-West Business Center, Tumon. For special accommodations, call 646-3115.

▲ **PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION:** Special meeting, 6 p.m. March 30, Suite 206, GCIO Building, 414 West Soledad Ave., Hagatna.

March 31

▲ **COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS AND BUDGETING:** Public hearing, 9 a.m. March 31, Legislature's public hearing room, Hagatna. Call 472-3464. Bills to be discussed:

▲ Bill 141, enabling government

employees to become full participants in the free enterprise system, to provide for employee-owned companies and to enact the employee-owned company law and for other purposes.

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▲ Bill 278, to appropriate \$90,000 from the Tourist Attraction Fund to the Department of Chamorro Affairs, Guam Planning Committee and the IX Festival of Pacific Arts.

▲ **GUAM HOUSING CORP. BOARD OF DIRECTORS:** 3 p.m. March 31, fifth floor, Suite 535, GHC conference room, ITC Building, Tamuning. For special accommodations, call 647-4143.

April 1

▲ **CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION BOARD:** 5:30 p.m. April 1, second floor, Hakubotan Building, Tamuning. For special accommodations, call Bianca at 647-1855/7 or TDD 647-1872.

▲ **DEPARTMENT OF LAND MANAGEMENT APPLICATION REVIEW COMMITTEE:** 9:30 a.m. April 1, DLM conference room, first floor, to review and evaluate all land use applications.

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