### I Mina'Trentai Dos Na Liheslaturan Received Bill Log Sheet

BILL NO.	SPONSOR	TITLE	DATE INTRODUCED	DATE REFERRED	CMTE REFERRED	PUBLIC HEARING DATE	DATE COMMITTEE REPORT FILED	FISCAL NOTES
L. 32-180	JR.	AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO THE GUAM OFFICE OF VETERANS AFFAIRS TO FULFILL LOCAL MATCHING FUNDING REQUIREMENTS FOR THREE SEPARATE VETERANS CEMETERY GRANTS.	7/25/14 4:42 p.m.	07/28/14	Committee on Appropriations, Public Debt, Legal Affairs, Retirement, Public Parks, Recreation, Historic Preservation, and Land	Public Hearing Wavied 8/12/14 2:01 p.m.		Fiscal Note Request 7/29/14
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385-32 (COR),		AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO THE GUAM VETERANS AFFAIRS OFFICE TO FULFILL LOCAL FUNDING REQUIREMENTS FOR THREE (3) SEPARATE VETERANS CEMETERY GRANTS.	8/12/14	5:50 p.m.	8/23/2014	8/13/2014	32-180	As amended on the Floor.

### EDDIE BAZA CALVO

Governor

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Lieutenant Governor

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Honorable Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D. Speaker I Mina'trentai Dos Na Liheslaturan Guåhan 155 Hesler Street Hagåtña, Guam 96910

Dear Madame Speaker:

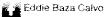
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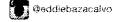
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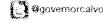
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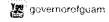
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	Speaker
Attested:  Tina Rose Muña Barnes Legislative Secretary	
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I Maga'lahen Guåhan	
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## I MINA'TRENTAI DOS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN 2014 (SECOND) Regular Session

Bill No. 385-32 (COR)

As amended on the Floor.

Introduced by:

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# I MINA'TRENTAI DOS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN

THIRTY-SECOND GUAM LEGISLATURE 155 Hesler Place, Hagåtña, Guam 96910

August 12, 2014

The Honorable Edward J.B. Calvo I Maga'lahen Guåhan Ufisinan I Maga'lahi Hagåtña, Guam 96910

Dear Maga'lahi Calvo:

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Sincerel

TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES

Legislative Secretary

Enclosures (1)

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# I MINA'TRENTAI DOS NA LIHESLATURAN

# 2014 (SECOND) Regular Session Voting Sheet

Bill No. 385-32 (COR)

Clerk of the Legislature

Speaker Antonio R. Unipingco Legislative Session Hall August 12, 2014

NAME	Yea	Nay	Not Voting/ Abstained	Out During Roll Call	Absent
Senator Thomas "Tom" C. ADA	~				
Senator V. Anthony "Tony" ADA	~				
Senator Frank Blas AGUON Jr.	\ \ \				
Vice-Speaker Benjamin J.F. CRUZ	>				
Senator Christopher M. DUENAS	$\vee$				
Senator Michael LIMTIACO	\ \				
Senator Brant McCREADIE	~				
Senator Thomas "Tommy" MORRISON	~				
Senator Tina Rose MUÑA BARNES	\ \				
Senator Rory J. RESPICIO	$\sim$				
Senator Dennis G. RODRIGUEZ, Jr.					
Senator Michael F. Q.SAN NICOLAS					
Speaker Judith T. WON PAT, Ed.D.	$\sim$				
Senator Aline A. YAMASHITA, Ph.D.					
TOTAL	4				
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CERTIFIED TRUE AND CORRECT:					

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# OFFICE OF THE SPEAKER JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D.

Chairperson of the Committee on Education, Public Library & women's affairs I MINA'TRENTAL DOS NA LIHESLATURAN GUAHAN | 32<sup>rd</sup> GUAM LEGISLATURE

August 12, 2014

### **MEMORANDUM**

To:

Honorable Rory Respicio

Chairperson, Committee on Rules

From:

Speaker Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D.

Subject:

Waiver of Public Hearing-Bill 385-32(COR)

After carefully evaluating the request to waive the requirement of a public hearing on-Bill No. 385-32(COR) An act to appropriate funds to the Guam Office of Veterans Affairs to fulfill local matching funding requirements for three separate veterans cemetery grants.

I certify that Bill No. 385-32 (COR) meets one of the requirements set forth in §2103(a) of Title 2 Guam Code Annotated and the requirement for a public hearing is hereby waived.

Sincerely,

Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D.

cc: Clerk of the Legislature

Office of Senator Rory J. Respicio

Name

Date/Time:\_

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### OFFICE OF SENATOR-

# FRANK B. AGUON, JR.

CHAIRMAN, COMMITTEE ON

GUAM U.S. MILITARY RELOCATION | HOMELAND SECURITY | VETERANS' AFFAIRS | JUDICIARY



Office of the Speaker

12 August 2014

### **MEMORANDUM**

To:

Speaker Judith T. Won Pat

From:

Senator Frank B. Aguon, Jr.

Subject:

Wavier of Public Hearing for Bill No. 385-32 (COR)

Dear Speaker Won Pat:

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Respectfully,

SENATOR FRANKS LACTON IR

Chairman, Committee of Guam U.S. Military Relocation, Homeland Security, Veterans' Affairs, and the Judiciary Mina'T entai Dos N. Liheslaturan Guahan

CC: Vice Speaker Benjamin Cruz

Mr. John Unpingco, Adminstrator, Office of Veterans Affairs

Attachment: Bill No. 385-32 (COR)

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Chairman, Committee on Guam U.S. Military Relocation, Homeland Security, Veterans' Affairs, and the Judiciary

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### Fwd:

Office of Sen. Frank B. Aguon, Jr. <committee@frankaguonjr.com>

Fri. Jul 25, 2014 at 10:41 AM

To: Krystal Agustin <media@frankaguonjr.com>

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From: Frank Aguon, Jr. <aguon4guam@gmail.com>

Date: Fri, Jul 25, 2014 at 10:32 AM

Subject: Fwd:

To: "Fred R. \"Rico\" Taitaque, III" < committee@frankaguonir.com>

Please prepare for intro TODAY. Thanks

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From: "John Unpingco" <john.unpingco@gvao.guam.gov>

Date: Jul 25, 2014 9:36 AM

Subject:

To: <aguon4guam@gmail.com>

Cc: "Office of Senator Frank Aguon, Jr. Admin" <admin@frankaguonjr.com>

Senator,

Our application for a grant for next year for the cemetery has all been turned in. This is called the preapplication process. It then goes to the approval process. But, our grant needs a certification of 10% of the funds. We must get this to Washington by August 13, 2014. Enclosed is the form which the Governor has to sign. A copy of the Bill, signed into law, has to accompany this form.

The folks in Washington tell me that our pre-application is complete, but, we must submit the approval of the 10% before they can award to us. They will return all of the 10% matching funds when we get the contract.

Your help is requested in getting the bill for the 10% matching funds enacted.

If you should have any questions, please call me and I will be glad to answer them.

Sincerely, /s/ John

### Thanks!

Committee on Guam US Military Relocation, Veterans Affairs, Homeland Security and Judiciary

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### Bill 385-32

John Unpingco <john.unpingco@gvao.guam.gov> To: "Office of Senator Frank Aguon, Jr. Admin" <admin@frankaguonjr.com> Thu, Jul 31, 2014 at 11:50 AM



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Eddie B. Calvo Governor

Ray Tenorio
Lieutenant Governor

John S. Unpingco Administrator



# OFFICE OF VETERANS AFFAIRS Office of the Governor

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TESTIMONY ON
BILL 385-32
BY
IOHN S. UNPINGCO

IT IS ALWAYS A PLEASURE TO TESTIFY BEFORE YOU TODAY.

BILL 385-32 IS QUITE IMPORTANT FOR A VARIETY OF REASONS:

FIRST, IT IS DENOTED AS BEING MATCHING FUNDS FOR IT IS THAT. BUT, WHAT IS DIFFERENT IS THAT AS PART OF A GRANT FROM NATIONAL CEMETERY GRANT SERVICE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS IT IS RETURNED TO US AT THE END OF THE CONTRACT. ALL OF IT IS 100% RETURNED TO US.

SECOND, IT ENABLES US TO COMPETE FOR AND GET FREE FEDERAL MONEY. THERE IS NO GRANT IN KIND REQUIREMENTS NOR IS THERE A PAYBACK REQUIREMENT. WITHOUT THE MATCHING FUNDS, WE CANNOT RECEIVE A GRANT. WE ABSOLUTELY HAVE TO HAVE IT.

THIRD, AS OFF-ISLAND MONEY, IT IN TURN GENERATES ABOUT A HUNDRED JOBS FOR CONTRACTOR AND SUBCONTRACTOR PERSONNEL WHO ALL PAY TAXES. IN ADDITION, THE COMPANIES THAT ARE THE CONTRACTORS AND THEIR SUBCONTRACTORS ALSO PAY TAXES TO THE GOVERNMENT OF GUAM. THEY PURCHASE THE MATERIALS WITH WHICH THEY PERFORM THE CONTRACT LOCALLY. THUS, LOCAL VENDORS GET A SHARE OF THE GRANT FROM THE CONTRACTORS. THEY, TOO, PAY TAXES TO THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

FOURTH, THE FUNDS WILL BE USED TO UPGRADE AND BEAUTIFY THE EAST AGANA CEMETERY AFTER YEARS OF NEGLECT AND HELP MAKE IT AS PLEASING OASIS THAT VISITORS HOPEFULLY WILL FIND AN ATTRACTIVE SPOT TO VISIT. WITH ITS HISTORY DATING FROM SPANISH-AMERICAN WAR TO THE KOREAN WAR, IT HAS A WONDERFUL STORY TO TELL WHICH HIGHLIGHTS THE PATRIOTISM OF

OUR PEOPLE THROUGH HARD TIMES. AND, IT WOULD CURE AN EYESORE OF THE AGANA RIVER ERODING THE CEMETERY INTO THE PHILIPPINE SEA.

FIFTH, IT WOULD COMPLETE THE WORK AT THE GUAM VETERANS CEMETERY WITH THE ADDITION OF A MUCH NEEDED MAINTENANCE SHOP WHERE WE COULD STORE OUR EQUIPMENT WITHOUT FEAR OF IT BEING STOLEN. AND IT WOULD COMPLETE THE ADDITION OF THE UNDERGROUND CRYPTS SO THAT THIS CEMETERY CAN ACCOMMODATE OUR VETERANS FOR A GOOD TWENTY (20) YEARS FROM NOW.

FINALLY, IT IS THE INTENT TO DEVELOP BOTH THE EAST AGANA CEMETERY AND THE GUAM VETERANS CEMETERY INTO TOURIST ATTRACTIONS MUCH LIKE HAWAII'S PUNCHBOWL CEMETERY WHERE VISITORS BY THE BUSLOAD STOP TO TAKE PICTURES OF A SOMBRE YET BEAUTIFUL ATTRACTION. YET, THEY ARE REMINDED THAT WARS RESULT IN TRAGIC DEATHS AND SHOULD BE CONTINUOUSLY AVERTED. ALSO IT WOULD INCORPORATE THE BEACH AREA AT EAST AGANA AS PART OF ITS CHARM.