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The Honorable Michael F.Q. San Nicolas
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Dear Senator San Nicolas:

Each year, our island celebrates the anniversary of our liberation from occupation during World War II. It is with pride, painful – and joyful – memories, and the hope that our children will never have to suffer atrocities from war, that we commemorate Guam's Liberation Day.

This year, the Mayors' Council of Guam (MCOG) has had some challenges with funding the festivities, so I have enlisted my office to assist them. Together, we are doing our best to execute the carnival and parade; however, we still lack funding for fireworks and nightly entertainment. As a result, I ask for your help in appropriating funds to ensure that the Liberation festivities are successful.

The following are quotes for the cost of fireworks, as well as the cost of nightly entertainment:

Quote 1:
- 10 minutes of fireworks (low altitude) - $10,000

Quote 2:
- 20 minutes of fireworks (high altitude) - $55,000

Nightly entertainment:

- $400/night for 2 sets of 2 entertainers at 2 hours each x 25 days = $10,000
- Total entertainment: $10,000

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I know that together, we – the Mayors' Council of Guam, the Legislature, and my administration – can find a solution so that the people of Guam, and our few remaining war survivors, may celebrate the anniversary of our island's liberation as proudly as we have in the past.

Senseramente,

EDDIE BAZA CALVO
Governor of Guam

cc: The Honorable Benjamin J.F. Cruz, Speaker
The Honorable Therese M. Terlaje, Vice Speaker