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Honorable Benjamin J.F. Cruz
Speaker
*I Mina'trentai Kuåttro Na Liheslaturan Guåhan*
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Dear Mr. Speaker:

Transmitted herewith is Bill No. 90-34 (COR), **"AN ACT TO *ADD* A NEW § 849.13 TO ARTICLE 1 OF CHAPTER 8, TITLE 1, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO DEDICATING AND NAMING THE GUAM VISITORS BUREAU BUILDING IN TUMON AS THE NORBERT "BERT" R. UNPINGCO VISITORS CENTER,"** which was signed into law on October 13, 2017, as **Public Law 34-46.**

*Senseramente,*

**EDDIE BAZA CALVO**

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*I MINA'TRENTAI KUÅTTRO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN*
**2017 (FIRST) Regular Session**

**Bill No. 90-34 (COR)**
As amended on the Floor.

Introduced by: James V. Espaldon
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**BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:**

**Section 1. Legislative Findings and Intent.** *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* finds that the late Norbert "Bert" Unpingco, fondly known as "Mr. Tourism," was a legend and an institution in the island's tourism industry, who had helped to establish the Guam Visitors Bureau, where he served as its first General Manager.

Bert was always an ambassador of Guam's tourism and culture, and he promoted the island wherever he went, even after his retirement from government service.

Bert created the innovative Welcome All Visitors Enthusiastically ("WAVE!") program, which encouraged local residents to participate in the island's tourism industry.

In 2008, Bert Unpingco was officially recognized by the Guam Visitors Bureau, the Guam Economic Development Authority, and *I Mina'Bente Nuebi Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* (the 29th Guam Legislature) for his "*Lifetime Excellence in Tourism*" and was officially dubbed as "*Mr. Tourism.*"

Bert Unpingco was a pioneer of the tourism industry on Guam, and the people of Guam owe him a lot. The visitor industry, which is now Guam's number one economic industry, would not be where it is now without the hard work of the late Bert Unpingco.

Therefore, it is the intent of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* that the Guam Visitors Bureau building, located at 401 *Pale San Vitores* Road in *Tumon*, be named as the "*Norbert 'Bert' R. Unpingco Visitors Center*" by this Act, which also provides for the affixing of appropriate nameplates or signs designating the new name of the GVB building, to include a plaque bearing the name, photo, and brief history of Bert Unpingco and his contributions to Guam; and there is no better way to preserve the memory of Bert Unpingco and honor his legacy than by naming the Guam Visitors Bureau building, located against the backdrop of *Tumon*, after its first General Manager amidst the industry that "*Mr. Tourism*" loved all his life.

**Section 2.** A new § 849.13 is hereby *added* to Article 1 of Chapter 8, Title 1, Guam Code Annotated, to read:

**"§ 849.13. Norbert "Bert" R. Unpingco Visitors Center.**

The Guam Visitors Bureau building located at 401 *Pale San Vitores* Road in *Tumon*, Guam is hereby named the *Norbert "Bert" R. Unpingco Visitors Center. I Maga'låhen Guåhan* and the General Manager of the Guam Visitors Bureau *shall* cause to be erected appropriate nameplates or signs designating the Guam Visitors Bureau building as the *Norbert "Bert" R. Unpingco Visitors Center.* At such ceremony as *I Maga'låhen Guåhan* and the General Manager of the Guam Visitors Bureau deem appropriate, the *Norbert "Bert" R. Unpingco Visitors Center shall* be officially named; and a plaque bearing the name, picture, and a brief history of the late Norbert "Bert" R. Unpingco and his contributions to the people of Guam *shall* be affixed in a suitable spot within the *Visitors Center.*"

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**CERTIFICATION OF PASSAGE OF AN ACT TO *I MAGA'LÅHEN GUÅHAN***

This is to certify that **Bill No. 90-34 (COR), "AN ACT TO *ADD* A NEW § 849.13 TO ARTICLE 1 OF CHAPTER 8, TITLE 1, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO DEDICATING AND NAMING THE GUAM VISITORS BUREAU BUILDING IN TUMON AS THE NORBERT "BERT" R. UNPINGCO VISITORS CENTER,"** was on the 29th day of September 2017, duly and regularly passed.

**Benjamin J.F. Cruz**
**Speaker**

Attested:

**Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr.**
**Acting Legislative Secretary**

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This Act was received by *I Maga'låhen Guåhan* this 2nd day of Oct, 2017, at 4:40 o'clock P.M.

Assistant Staff Officer
*Maga'låhi's* Office

APPROVED:

EDWARD J.B. CALVO
*I Maga'låhen Guåhan*

Date: OCT 13 2017

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