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The Honorable Benjamin J.F. Cruz
Speaker
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Dear Mr. Speaker:

Transmitted herewith is Bill No. 218-34 (COR), **"AN ACT TO *AMEND* §§ 7120.2(c) OF CHAPTER 7, AND 3101.4 OF ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 3, BOTH OF TITLE 16, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO REQUIRING THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE AND TAXATION MOTOR VEHICLE DIVISION, AND DRIVER'S LICENSE AND IDENTIFICATION CARD BRANCH TO SUBMIT COPIES OF VETERAN DD214 FORMS OR OTHER PROOF OF VETERAN STATUS TO THE GUAM OFFICE OF VETERANS AFFAIRS FOR THE PURPOSE OF UPDATING THE GUAM VETERANS REGISTRY,"** which was signed into law on May 14, 2018, as **Public Law 34-93.**

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Senseramente,

EDDIE BAZA CALVO
Governor of Guam

I MINA'TRENTAI KUÅTTRO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
2018 (SECOND) Regular Session

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

This is to certify that **Substitute Bill No. 218-34 (COR), "AN ACT TO *AMEND* §§ 7120.2(c) OF CHAPTER 7, AND 3101.4 OF ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 3, BOTH OF TITLE 16, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO REQUIRING THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE AND TAXATION MOTOR VEHICLE DIVISION, AND DRIVER'S LICENSE AND IDENTIFICATION CARD BRANCH TO SUBMIT COPIES OF VETERAN DD214 FORMS OR OTHER PROOF OF VETERAN STATUS TO THE GUAM OFFICE OF VETERANS AFFAIRS FOR THE PURPOSE OF UPDATING THE GUAM VETERANS REGISTRY,"** was on the 1st day of May 2018, duly and regularly passed.

Benjamin J.F. Cruz
Speaker

Attested:

Régine Biscoe Lee
Legislative Secretary

This Act was received by *I Maga'låhen Guåhan* this 3rd day of May, 2018, at 11:50 o'clock AM.

Assistant Staff Officer
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APPROVED:

EDWARD J.B. CALVO
I Maga'låhen Guåhan

Date: MAY 14 2018

Public Law No. 34-93

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

Bill No. 218-34 (COR)
As substituted by the Committee on Education, Finance and Taxation; and amended on the Floor.

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

Section 1. Legislative Findings and Intent. *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* finds that since the enactment of Public Law 32-101 in November 2013, the Office of

Veterans Affairs has been responsible for the establishment and maintenance of a Guam Veterans Registry.

I Liheslaturan Guåhan finds that the established number of veterans on the registry can help make the case to increase the level of services and benefits afforded to Guam veterans by the U.S. federal government. Public Law 32-101 authorizes the Office of Veterans Affairs to use data collected at other government agencies that may be "collecting the data in whole or in part" and provides that all other government agencies "whenever applicable, shall render assistance" to the Office of Veterans Affairs in the implementation of its provisions.

In furtherance of the current efforts of the Office of Veterans Affairs and other agencies, it is the intent of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* to require the Department of Revenue and Taxation Motor Vehicle Division and Driver's License and Identification Card Branch to actively submit copies of DD214 forms or other proof of veteran status obtained from applicants as a qualifying document, to the Office of Veterans Affairs, for purposes of updating the Guam Veterans Registry.

Section 2. § 7120.2(c) of Chapter 7, Title 16, Guam Code Annotated, is hereby *amended* to read as follows:

"(c) Application. Any person who is a veteran, verified by the Department of Defense 214 form (DD214), or who otherwise is qualified under Subsection (b) (1) of this Section and certified by the government of Guam Veterans Affairs Office, and is the registered owner or lessee of a passenger vehicle registered with the Department of Revenue and Taxation, or who makes application for an original registration or renewal registration of any such vehicle, may apply to the Motor Vehicle Division of the Department of Revenue and Taxation for a veteran license plate(s), which *shall* be affixed to the passenger vehicle for which registration is sought in lieu of regular license plates.

The Motor Vehicle Division *shall*, with documented consent of the party of interest, transmit a copy of all DD214 forms or other proof of Veteran

status submitted pursuant to this Section to the Office of Veterans Affairs for the purpose of updating the Guam Veterans Registry no later than thirty (30) days after the date of acceptance by the Motor Vehicle Division. Transmission of forms may be made by electronic means over a secured network as prescribed by the Office of Technology and the Office of Veterans Affairs. The Office of Veterans Affairs *shall* have the authority to adopt regulations to implement and administer the provisions of this Section and ensure the confidentiality of Veteran information."

Section 3. § 3101.4 of Article 1, Chapter 3, Title 16, Guam Code Annotated, is hereby *amended* to read as follows:

"**§ 3101.4. Veterans Designation for Driver's Licenses, Identification Cards, and Renewals of the Same.**

Every applicant for a Guam driver's license or a Guam identification card who is a veteran, pursuant to § 7120.2(b) of Chapter 7 of this Title, *shall*, at the applicant's request, have the word "Veteran" affixed on a section of the Guam driver's license or the Guam identification card. The requirements of this Section *shall* also apply to the renewal of the same.

The Driver's License and Identification Card Branch *shall*, with documented consent of the party of interest, submit a copy of the DD214 Form or other proof of Veteran status to the Office of Veterans Affairs of every applicant for the purposes of updating the Guam Veterans Registry no later than thirty (30) days after the date of acceptance by the Driver's License and Identification Card Branch. Transmission of forms may be made by electronic means over a secured network as prescribed by the Office of Technology and the Office of Veterans Affairs. The Office of Veterans Affairs *shall* have the authority to adopt regulations to implement and administer the provisions of this Section and ensure the confidentiality of Veteran information."