

**SAIPAN *and* NORTHERN ISLANDS LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION
THIRTEENTH NORTHERN MARIANAS COMMONWEALTH LEGISLATURE**

FIRST SPECIAL SESSION, 2003

SAIPAN LOCAL LAW NO. 13-17
S.L.B. No. 13-14

**A LOCAL BILL FOR AN ACT FOR THE THIRD SENATORIAL DISTRICT
OF SAIPAN AND THE NORTHERN ISLANDS**

To amend 10 CMC 3 154(a)(l) to change the datum point of the Saipan street numbering system from Capitol Hill area to a new location southwest of Agingan Point at the coordinates N: 44,474.1785m; E: 46,536.9626 m; and for other purposes.

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE THIRD SENATORIAL DISTRICT DELEGATION
PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 4, DIVISION 1, TITLE 1 OF THE COMMONWEALTH
CODE:**

Section 1. Findings and Purpose. The Saipan Street Sign and Numbering Projects are well underway under the auspices of the Office of the Mayor. However, at this time the Legislature finds that to expedite the implementation of the Street Numbering Master Map for the island of Saipan pursuant to Saipan Local Law No. 1 1-3, it is necessary to change the datum point of the Saipan Street numbering system from the Capitol Hill area to a new location southwest of Agingan Point at the coordinates N: 44,474.1785 m; E: 46,536.9626 m.

The reason for this change is the present datum point for the street numbering system is the intersection at the Capitol Hill Post Office. Using the quadrant system for numbering from that reference point, the island is divided into north-south, east-west sections. Certain roads, therefore, would have a north or south designation in reference to their location from the datum point. For example, all numbers on Chalan Pale Arnold would be North Chalan Pale Arnold, north of the Isa Drive intersection with Chalan Pale Arnold.

Unfortunately, the street sign contract has preceded the numbering contract and the signs have already been ordered for installation. To re-order signs now, and to add an N., S., E., or W., to specific roads would require a costly change order and further delay. The Legislature, therefore, finds that the simple solution, with no added costs involved, is to simply change the datum point to a location that is not affected by directional changes.

Section 2. Amendments. 10 CMC is hereby amended as follows:


“(1) Creating of Numbering System. The commission shall prepare a master numbering map in accordance with this section. The street numbering system shall be ~~the quadrant system with a general reference point located in the Capitol Hill area~~ have a datum point located southwest of Agingan Point at the coordinates N: 4,474.1785 m; E: 46,536.9626 m.

Section 3. Severability. If any provision of this Act or the application of any such provision to any person or circumstance should be held invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of this Act or the application of its provisions to persons or circumstances other than those to which it is held invalid shall not be affected thereby.

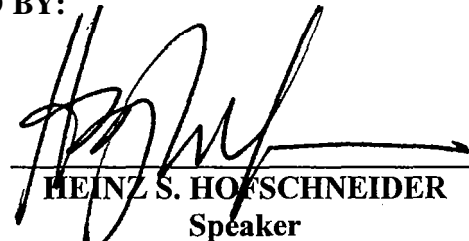
Section 4. Savings Clause. This Act and any repealer contained herein shall not be construed as affecting any existing right acquired under contract or acquired under statutes repealed or under any rule, regulation or order adopted under the statutes. Repealers contained in this Act shall not affect any proceeding instituted under or pursuant to prior law. The enactment of this Act shall not have the effect of terminating, or in any way modifying, any liability, civil or criminal, which shall already be in existence on the date this Act, becomes effective.

Section 5. Effective Date. This Act shall take effect upon its approval by the Governor, or upon its becoming law without such approval.

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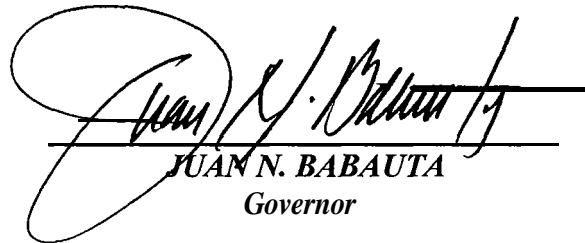


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Approved _____ *t h i s* *3rd day of* ~~July~~ *2003.*



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