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2026 (SECOND) Regular Session

Bill No. 278-38 (COR)

Introduced by:

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1 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:**

2 **Section 1. Findings and Intent.** *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* finds that in 2019, an
3 alleged electrical fire forced closure of the Department of Public Health and Social
4 Services (DPHSS) central clinic in Mangilao. That facility had been the island's
5 primary hub for women's and children's health, recording over 8,300 patient
6 encounters in 2018.

7 *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* finds that following relocation from the Mangilao site,
8 annual encounters fell by 49 percent (from 8,331 in 2018 to 4,281 in 2023). Services
9 for women decreased by 46 percent, and child health visits plummeted by 73 percent.
10 Such reductions undermine preventive care, jeopardize maternal and child health,
11 and risk long-term adverse outcomes for vulnerable populations.

12 *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* finds that DPHSS's alternate clinics are operating at
13 capacity and in some cases from temporary spaces. Rehabilitating the Mangilao

1 facility will alleviate overcrowding, restore comprehensive service delivery, and
2 enhance Guam’s preparedness for future public-health emergencies.

3 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* finds that the Department of Public Works expended
4 nearly one million dollars for a conditional assessment of the Mangilao Public
5 Health building “to identify all repair and renovation requires needed to utilize and
6 operate the building for administrative, medical, and dental clinic purposes”. That
7 assessment recommended restoring “the facility to proper function and operation
8 and to allow for re-use and preservation of existing structures” which is estimated to
9 cost \$27.8 million.

10 *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* finds that the Department of Public Health and Social
11 Services submitted testimony indicating that Phase III, Task 2- 90% completion was
12 due on January 11, 2026, while the 100% design completion is scheduled for
13 February 26, 2026.

14 Therefore, it is the intent of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* to appropriate Eighteen
15 Million Dollars (\$18,000,000) from Fiscal Year 2025 excess General Fund revenues
16 to the Department of Public Health and Social Services for the refurbishment of the
17 former Mangilao Public Health facility, in partnership with the Guam Community
18 College pursuant to Public Law 38-63.

19 **Section 2. Appropriation.** Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the
20 sum of Eighteen Million Dollars (**\$18,000,000**) is hereby appropriated from the
21 unaudited Fiscal Year 2025 General Fund revenues collected in excess of the
22 adopted levels enumerated in Public Law 37-125 to the Guam Department of Public
23 Health and Social Services for the refurbishment of the former public health
24 Mangilao facility.

25 **Section 3. Effective Date.** This Act shall be effective upon enactment.