

*I Mina'trentai Ocho Na Liheslaturan Guåhan*  
**BILL STATUS**

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168-38 (COR)	Frank F. Blas, Jr.	AN ACT TO ADD A NEW § 849.18 TO CHAPTER 8, TITLE 1 GUAM CODE ANNOTATED; RELATIVE TO DESIGNATING ROUTE 6 AND ROUTE 7 AS THE "WORLD WAR TWO SURVIVORS MEMORIAL HIGHWAY".	7/7/25 10:11 a.m.						

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**2025 (FIRST) Regular Session**

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Introduced by:

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**BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF**

**Section 1. Legislative Findings and Intent.** *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* finds that the people of Guam endured profound suffering during the Second World War yet displayed extraordinary resilience and bravery. Guam was invaded by the Imperial Japanese army and navy on December 8, 1941, and remained under Japanese occupation until its liberation by U.S. forces on July 21, 1944. This period was marked by severe hardship for the indigenous CHamoru people, many of whom were subjected to forced labor, imprisonment, starvation, and cruel acts of violence.

*I Liheslaturan Guahan* further finds that Route 6, which extends from the junction with Route 1 in Piti / Asan-Maina to the Agana Heights area, passes through historically significant areas, including the Asan Bay Overlook and American military landing zones. Route 7, which continues from Route 6 through Agana Heights to West O'Brien Drive, serves as a ceremonial road, passing Government House and Fort Santa Ageuda, and providing access to the U.S. Naval Hospital.

1 These routes collectively hold historic and symbolic importance related to Guam’s  
2 occupation, liberation, and ongoing commemoration of World War II events.

3 *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* further finds that at the Asan Bay Overlook Memorial,  
4 15,891 survivors of the Japanese occupation are listed on a memorial wall, adding  
5 relevance to designating Route 6 and Route 7 as World War Two Survivors  
6 Memorial Highway.

7 It is therefore the intent of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* to honor these individuals,  
8 their resilience, and their contributions by designating Route 6 and Route 7 as  
9 “World War Two Survivors Memorial Highway”. This designation affirms Guam’s  
10 responsibility to preserve its wartime legacy as well as providing future generations  
11 with a visual and education reminder of this chapter of our history.

12 **Section 2. A new § 849.18 is added to Chapter 8, Title 1 Guam Code**  
13 **Annotated to read:**

14 **“§ 849.18. Designating Route 6 and Route 7 as the “World War**  
15 **Two Survivors Memorial Highway.**

16 (a) The entirety of Route 6 and Route 7 from the junction of Route 1  
17 and Route to the junction of Route 7 and West O’Brien Drive is  
18 hereby designated as “World War Two Survivors Memorial  
19 Highway.

20 (b) The Director of the Department of Public Works shall cause to have  
21 signs posted, at appropriate intervals, that visibly identify the  
22 highway’s official name.

23 (c) All references within the government of Guam documentation and  
24 signage shall reflect this designation.

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