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BILL STATUS

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2025 (FIRST) Regular Session

Bill No. 40-38 (COR)

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

Section 1. Legislative Findings and Intent. *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* finds that in 1953, the people of Guam inaugurated a new school building for the children of the charming southern village of *Humatak*. Designed by the renowned architect Richard Neutra, the school was initially named the Magellan School but was later renamed *Humatak* School and ultimately honored its first principal, Francisco Q. Sanchez, a significant figure in Guam's education and politics.

I Liheslaturan Guåhan further finds that F.Q. Sanchez Elementary School is recognized on the Guam Register of Historic Places and was added to the National Register of Historic Places in 1998 due to its exceptional importance as a work of Richard Neutra, a pioneer of Mid-Century modern architecture. In June 2011, the Guam Education Board decided to close F.Q. Sanchez Elementary, leading to its students transferring to schools in *Hågat* or *Malessó*, with the facility placed under the authority of the Guam Department of Parks and Recreation. In April 2013, *I*

1 *Liheslaturan* enacted Bill 5-32, designating the former school property under the
2 jurisdiction of the *Humatak* Mayor's Office.

3 *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* also finds that the residents of *Humatak* are deeply
4 concerned about the deterioration and neglect of the property, emphasizing the need
5 for revitalization as it holds historical significance and has served as a fathering point
6 for community events. In March 2022, *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* enacted Bill 172-36,
7 which appropriated three million five hundred thousand dollars (\$3,500,000) to
8 begin the restoration and renovation process. On August 5th, the Board of Directors
9 of the Guam Preservation Trust submitted a formal request for a supplemental
10 appropriation of three million five hundred thousand dollars (\$3,500,000) to ensure
11 the successful completion of the revitalization project. The Board indicated that
12 inflationary pressures have increased construction costs, necessitating this additional
13 funding to adequately support the renovations needed to preserve this vital piece of
14 *Humatak* heritage. Therefore, it is in the intent of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* to
15 appropriate three million five hundred thousand dollars (\$3,500,000) to the Guam
16 Preservation Trust for the purpose of renovating and revitalizing the historic former
17 F.Q. Sanchez Elementary School, as outlined in Public Laws 32-011 and 36-82.

18 **Section 2. Appropriation.**

19 (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the sum of Three
20 Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$3,500,000) from Fiscal Year 2025
21 General Fund Revenues collected in excess of the adopted levels enumerated
22 in Public Law 37-125 is hereby appropriated to the Guam Preservation Trust
23 for the purpose of renovating the former Francisco Q. Sanchez Elementary
24 School for the purposes pursuant to § 40143 of Chapter 40 of Title 5, Guam
25 Code Annotated. The appropriation in this Section shall not lapse and shall
26 continue to be available until fully expended.

27 **Section 5. Effective Date.** This Act shall be effective upon enactment.

1 **Section 6. Severability.** If any provision of this Act or its application to any
2 person or circumstance is found to be invalid or inorganic, such invalidity shall not
3 affect other provisions or applications of this Act that can be given effect without
4 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this Act are
5 severable.