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Bill No.42-38 (COR)

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

2 **Section 1.** §88102 of Chapter 88, Title 5, Guam Code Annotated, is
3 hereby *amended* to read as follows:

4 **“§ 88102. Establishment.**

5 There is within the government of Guam the Commission on
6 *CHamoru* Language and the Teaching of the History and Culture of the
7 Indigenous People of Guam, a non-stock, non-profit public corporation,
8 which *shall* perform the duties and purposes set forth in this Act.”

9 **Section 2.** §88104(g) of Chapter 88, Title 5, Guam Code Annotated, is
10 hereby *amended* to read as follows:

11 “(g) Each member shall receive ~~Fifty Dollar (\$50.00)~~ One Hundred
12 Dollars (\$100) for attendance at any meeting of the Commission, but this
13 stipend shall not apply to more than two (2) meetings in any one (1) calendar
14 month. No members shall receive any other compensation, but shall be

1 reimbursed for actual travel, subsistence, and out-of-pocket expenses incurred
2 in the discharge of responsibilities, including authorized attendance at
3 meetings held off-island, subject to the prior approval of the Commission.”

4 **Section 3.** §88104(h) of Chapter 88, Title 5, Guam Code Annotated, is
5 hereby *amended* to read as follows:

6 “(h) The Commission may hire employees and shall fix employee
7 duties and responsibilities in accordance with Title 4, Guam Code Annotated,
8 and contract services as approve in its annual appropriation and in accordance
9 with its organizational rules and regulations or as may be necessary for the
10 purposes of this Chapter.”

11 **Section 4.** A new § 88109 is hereby *added* to Chapter 88, Title 5, Guam
12 Code Annotated to read as follows:

13 **“§ 88109. Commission Use of Funds.**

14 (a) The Commission is authorized to use its funds from whatever
15 source derived in the exercise of its power and functions, subject to the
16 requirements of the funding source.

17 (b) Donations. All donations to the Commission and any of its
18 programs, associations, subsidiaries, affiliates, but not limited to the same,
19 shall be tax deductible to the donors in the same manner and to the same extent
20 donations to charitable or educational non-profit organizations are deductible
21 as referred to in the provisions of §501(c)(3) of the U.S. Internal Revenue
22 Code.

23 (c) There is established a revolving fund known as the “*Kumisión i*
24 *Fino’ CHamoru* Revolving Fund,” which shall be maintained separate and
25 apart from other funds in the Commission. This fund is under the general
26 cognizance of the Commission which shall manage and use it for the purposes
27 provided in this Chapter. All income generated by the sales of publications

1 and other products, money received from sources other than government
2 appropriations or grants, and fees charged for translation services and
3 publications of products, pursuant to §88105(0) of this Chapter, shall be
4 deposited into the “*Kumisión i Fino’ Chamoru* Revolving Fund,” to be used
5 by the Commission in carrying out its functions.

6 (d) Annual Report and Audits. The Commission shall submit to the
7 Governor of Guam and Guam legislature a detailed annual report of activities
8 and an audited, annual financial report. For this purpose, the Commission
9 shall contract for independent auditing services and shall also submit to the
10 Governor and Legislature other special reports as each may require from time-
11 to-time. The Commission’s books shall likewise be subject to annual
12 legislative audit as prescribed by law and shall be open for public inspection
13 by the public pursuant to the Sunshine Reform Act.”

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

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