

I Mina'trentai Ocho Na Liheslaturan Guåhan
BILL STATUS

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LOURDES A. LEON GUERRERO
GOVERNOR



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UFISINAN I MAGA'HÅGAN GUÅHAN
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR OF GUAM

Transmitted via Email to: speakerblas@guamlegislature.org

October 16, 2026

THE HON. FRANK BLAS, JR., Speaker
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OFFICE OF THE SPEAKER
FRANK F. BLAS JR.

OCT 16 2026

Time: 4:56 pm
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Re: Bill No. 371-38 (LS), "AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE TEN MILLION DOLLARS (\$10,000,000) FROM THE RAINY DAY FUND TO I MAGA'HÅGAN GUÅHAN FOR EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS, RESPONSE, MITIGATION, AND RECOVERY ASSOCIATED WITH TROPICAL DISTURBANCE INVEST 96W, AND TO REQUIRE THE DISBURSEMENT TO THE MAYORS' COUNCIL OF GUAM, TO EACH GUAM DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION SCHOOL ACTIVATED AS AN EMERGENCY SHELTER, AND TO APPROPRIATE TWO MILLION DOLLARS (\$2,000,000) FROM THE RAINY DAY FUND TO THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE FOR THE FARMER'S ASSISTANCE PROGRAM; THE GUAM FARMER'S CO-OP AND THE GUAM FISHERMAN'S CO-OP."

Håfa Adai Mr. Speaker,

I appreciate the 38th Guam Legislature's prompt consideration and passage of legislation providing funding for emergency preparedness, response, mitigation, and recovery associated with Tropical Storm Champi. It is critical that government agencies have sufficient funds available to allow them to assist the people of Guam before, during and after a tropical storm or a typhoon.

However, with Tropical Storm Champi forecast to approach Guam as at least a Category 2 typhoon, the Ten Million Dollars (\$10,000,000) appropriated in Bill No. 371-38 (LS) will not be sufficient to support the government's preparation and recovery efforts. After accounting for the mandatory disbursements to the mayors' offices and the Mayors' Council of Guam, only Five Million, One Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$5,150,000) is projected to remain available to support emergency shelter operations and the emergency operations of other government agencies, including the Department of Public Works, Guam Police Department, Guam Fire Department, and Guam Homeland Security and Office of Civil Defense.

To: The Hon. Frank Blas, Jr., Speaker
Fr: The Hon. Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero, Governor of Guam
Date: October 16, 2026
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To ensure that sufficient funds are available for these agencies to carry out their critical responsibilities, I am calling the Legislature into special session to consider an additional appropriation of Fifteen Million Dollars (\$15,000,000) for emergency preparedness, response, mitigation, and recovery associated with Tropical Storm Champi.

I am therefore signing Bill No. 371-38 into law as Public Law 38-144, while calling upon the Legislature to act promptly on the additional funding necessary to protect our community.

Senseramente,

LOURDES A. LEON GUERRERO

I Maga'hågan Guåhan
Governor of Guam

Enclosure(s): Bill No. 371-38 (LS) nka P.L. 38-144
cc via email: *Honorable* Joshua F. Tenorio, *Sigundo Maga'låhen Guåhan*, Lt. Governor of Guam
Compiler of Laws



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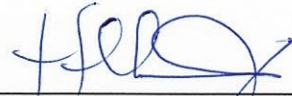
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2026 (SECOND) Regular Session

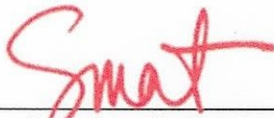
CERTIFICATION OF PASSAGE OF AN ACT TO *I MAGA'HÅGAN GUÅHAN*

This is to certify that Bill No. 371-38 (LS), "AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE TEN MILLION DOLLARS (\$10,000,000) FROM THE RAINY DAY FUND TO *I MAGA'HÅGAN GUÅHAN* FOR EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS, RESPONSE, MITIGATION, AND RECOVERY ASSOCIATED WITH TROPICAL DISTURBANCE INVEST 96W, AND TO REQUIRE THE DISBURSEMENT TO THE MAYORS' COUNCIL OF GUAM, TO EACH GUAM DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION SCHOOL ACTIVATED AS AN EMERGENCY SHELTER, AND TO APPROPRIATE TWO MILLION DOLLARS (\$2,000,000) FROM THE RAINY DAY FUND TO THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE FOR THE FARMER'S ASSISTANCE PROGRAM; THE GUAM FARMER'S CO-OP AND THE GUAM FISHERMAN'S CO-OP," was on the 15th day of October 2026, duly and regularly passed.



Frank F. Blas, Jr.
Speaker

Attested:



Sabrina Salas Matanane
Legislative Secretary

This Act was received by *I Maga'hågan Guåhan* this 15th day of OCT., 2026, at 10:50 o'clock P.M.



Assistant Staff Officer
***Maga'håga's* Office**

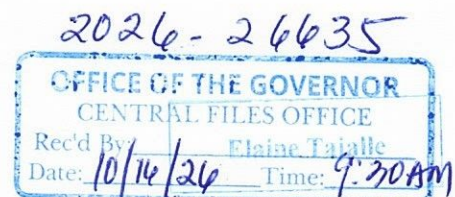
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Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero
I Maga'hågan Guåhan

Date: 10/16/2026

Public Law No. 38-144



I MINA'TRENTAI OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
2026 (SECOND) Regular Session

Bill No. 371-38 (LS)

As amended on the Floor.

Introduced by:

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

2 **Section 1. Emergency Appropriation from the Rainy Day Fund.**

3 Notwithstanding any other provision of law, and in addition to existing authorities
4 under 5 GCA § 22402 and Public Law 38-60, the sum of Ten Million Dollars
5 **(\$10,000,000)** is hereby appropriated from the Rainy Day Fund established pursuant
6 to 5 GCA, Chapter 22, Article 9, to *I Maga'hågan Guåhan* for emergency
7 preparedness, response, mitigation, and recovery activities associated with Tropical
8 Disturbance Invest 96W, including any escalation into a tropical depression, tropical
9 storm, or typhoon. Such expenses include, but are not limited to, costs related to
10 safety and security; food, water, and sheltering; health and medical services; energy;
11 communications; transportation, and hazardous materials. Individual Assistance is
12 authorized under this Section, supported by survey and damage assessment data. *I*
13 *Maga'håga* shall disburse Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars **(\$250,000)** to each
14 Mayor's Office, which may utilize such monies for the purposes identified above.
15 Each Mayor shall report all expenditures of funds provided herein to *I Liheslaturan*
16 *Guåhan* and the Public Auditor within forty-five (45) days of expenditure. *I*
17 *Maga'håga* shall disburse Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars **(\$250,000)** from
18 the funds appropriated herein to each Guam Department of Education school or other
19 government facility that is activated as a shelter for residents. GDOE may utilize
20 such monies for the purposes identified above. The Superintendent of GDOE shall
21 report all expenditures of funds provided herein to *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the
22 Public Auditor within forty-five (45) days of expenditure. *I Maga'håga* shall
23 disburse One Hundred Thousand Dollars **(\$100,000)** from the funds appropriated
24 herein to the Mayors' Council of Guam for administrative costs. The Executive
25 Director of the Mayors' Council shall report all expenditures of funds provided

1 herein to *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the Public Auditor within forty-five (45) days
2 of expenditure. *I Maga'håga* shall provide a written report of all expenditures under
3 this Section, including those expended by the Mayors, to *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and
4 the Public Auditor within sixty (60) days of initial disbursement and every thirty
5 (30) days thereafter.

6 **Section 2.** No less than Two Million Dollars **(\$2,000,000)** shall be
7 appropriated from the Rainy Day Fund to the Department of Agriculture for the
8 Farmer's Assistance program due to Tropical Disturbance Invest 96W and for
9 administrative costs to implement the program. Two Hundred Thousand Dollars
10 (\$200,000) of the Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000) shall be disbursed to the Guam
11 Farmer's Co-op, and Two Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$200,000) shall be disbursed
12 to the Guam Fisherman's Co-op.

13 **Section 3. Priority and Timely Disbursement of Funds.** Upon *I*
14 *Maga'håga's* declaration of Condition of Readiness 3 (COR 3) for Guam in
15 connection with Tropical Disturbance Invest 96W, or any subsequent intensification
16 thereof, the Department of Administration shall make the funds available for
17 disbursement within twenty-four (24) hours of enactment of this Act, subject to the
18 availability of funds and applicable law. *I Maga'håga* shall make the disbursements
19 herein in the following order first, to the Mayoral Offices; second, to the Mayors'
20 Council of Guam; third, to each Guam Department of Education school or other
21 government facility activated as a shelter.

22 **Section 4. Expenditure Deadline and Reversion of Unexpended**
23 **Funds.**

24 (a) All funds appropriated pursuant to this Act shall be expended no
25 later than thirty (30) calendar days following the expiration or termination of
26 *I Maga'håga's* Executive Order declaring a state of emergency associated
27 with Tropical Disturbance Invest 96W, including any extension thereof.

1 (b) Any funds remaining unexpended after the deadline established
2 in subsection (a) shall revert to the Rainy Day Fund. No expenditures or new
3 obligations shall be incurred against such funds after the deadline.

4 (c) The Department of Administration shall account for and ensure
5 the reversion of all unexpended funds pursuant to this Section.

6 (d) Within thirty (30) days of the reversion required by subsection
7 (a), *I Maga'hågan Guåhan* shall submit to *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the
8 Public Auditor a final consolidated report of all expenditures under this Act,
9 including those of the Mayoral Offices, the Mayors' Council of Guam, and
10 the Guam Department of Education, together with a certification of the
11 amount reverted to the Rainy Day Fund. The thirty (30) day reporting
12 requirement in Section 1 shall terminate upon submission of the final report.

13 **Section 5. Effective Date.** This Act shall be effective immediately.