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The Honorable Telena C. Nelson

Committee on Education, Self Determination, and Historic Preservation,

 Infrastructure, Border Safety, Federal and Foreign Affairs, and

Maritime Transportation,

I Mina’trentai Sais na Liheslaturan Guahan

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Dear Senator Nelson,

I write to you in support of Bill 208-36.

[My experience with GPT is …]

OR [GPT has helped my organization…]

OR [I am concerned about our heritage sites because…]

OR [My village has many historic places and we need GPT to…]

OR [I am a student/teacher/resident of \_\_\_\_ and I support the programs of GPT because…]

By returning the percentage of funds to GPT from the building permit fees to 100%, it will mean more of our historic structures can be saved. More of our heritage places will be preserved. More of our treasured stories will be recorded. More educational resources will be given to our schools and our students.

With more funding, we will see GPT do more work in community archaeology. We will see GPT restore and rebuild the historic architecture of Guam. With GPT’s involvement with other cultural organizations, Guam will continue to be a place with a thriving CHamoru culture. Our community can work with GPT to hear more of our history being research and told by our people. And lastly, we can see more community engagement to create plans that restore life into each of our villages.

I join GPT’s vision that preservation on Guam is a public responsibility. As you, and all the senators of the 36th Guam Legislature are our public leaders, support for Bill 208-36 expresses your responsibility to our heritage so that GPT can fulfill its mission. I ask for yours and your colleagues support for this bill.

Sincerely,

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