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March 16, 2017

Honorable Therese M. Terlaje
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Committee on Culture and Justice
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Håfa Adai Chairperson Terlaje,

Si Yu'os ma'ase' for the invitation to the Public Hearing on Resolutions 51-34 and 52-34. The duties of the GEC are prescribed by law and by court decisions interpreting those laws. Before the Decision and Order issued by District Court of Guam in *Arnold Davis v. Guam, et al.*, the GEC had for a number of years been carrying out its duties to register and promote the registration of Native Inhabitants of Guam. In light of the ruling from the District Court, the GEC has ceased all activities related to the registration of Native Inhabitants of Guam. If there is a change in the Court's order, or if the law changed, the GEC will move forward accordingly.

Sinseramente,

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cc: Honorable Michael F.Q. San Nicolas, Chairperson, Committee on Rules

Vice Speaker Therese M. Terlaje

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