RELATIVE TO MASSO RESERVOIR FOR PUBLIC BENEFIT USE FOR
FISHING AND RECREATION AND FOR CONSERVATION,
PROTECTION, AND MANAGEMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

WHEREAS, freshwater fishing opportunities are limited on Guam; and

WHEREAS, the Navy’s Fena Lake Reservoir was once used as a fishing area, but public access to Fena Lake has been eliminated by the military; and

WHEREAS, the parcel of land (Apra Harbor Parcel No. 2) containing Masso Reservoir was given to the Government of Guam specifically for the use and benefit of the general public (Department of Land Management Instrument No. 623931); and

WHEREAS, the deed conveying Masso Reservoir is subject to a Cooperative Agreement by and between the Department of Navy, the Department of Interior, and the Government of Guam, for the conservation, protection, development, and management of fish, and wildlife recreation resources at the Masso River Reservoir Area, Guam (Department of Land Management Instrument No. 263521); and

WHEREAS, there is a reversionary clause in the deed (Department of Land Management Instrument No. 623931), in which the parcel of land will revert to the Federal Government if the land is not used for the general good of the people of Guam;

WHEREAS, the Department of Agriculture is in a position to restore Masso Reservoir as a public fishing facility, creating a new park that will meet both conservation and recreational use goals; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Agriculture cannot proceed with the restoration of Apra Harbor Parcel No. 2 without the title to the land; and

WHEREAS, Apra Harbor Parcel No. 2 is crown land, with no ancestral claimants who will lose property as a result of the new park.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FELIX P. CAMACHO, I Maga’låhén Guåhan, Governor of Guam, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Organic Act of Guam, the laws of Guam, and the laws of the United States of America, hereby transfer the deed to Apra Harbor Parcel No. 2 from the Guam Ancestral Lands Commission to the Department of Agriculture to develop a public fishing and recreational facility and for use by the people of Guam and for the conservation, protection, and management of fish and wildlife.
Section 1: Definitions

(a) “The Department of Agriculture” means the Guam Department of Agriculture.

(b) “Director” means the Director of the Guam Department of Agriculture.

(c) “Freshwater fishing” means fishing in a river, lake, or reservoir.

(d) “Reversionary clause” is a clause in a deed that allows ownership of land to revert to the federal Government if certain conditions are not met.

(e) “The general good of the people of Guam” means benefiting the general civilian population of Guam.

(f) “Apra Harbor Parcel No. 2” means that certain real property situated in Guam, in the Municipality of Piti, consisting of approximately 119,765.97 square meters of 29.5947 acres of land, also known as Apra Harbor Parcel No. 2 (Masso Reservoir), recorded as Document No. 623931, at the Department of Land Management on July 6, 2000.

Section 2: Department of Agriculture duties.

(a) The Department of Agriculture shall enhance, manage and maintain Apra Harbor Parcel No. 2 (Masso Reservoir), for public benefit use, public fishing and recreation, conservation, protection, and management of fish and wildlife, and the restoration of native and/or endangered species and ecosystem function.

(b) The Department of Agriculture shall restore Apra Harbor Parcel No. 2 (Masso Reservoir) for public fishing and recreation to include fish species, habitat, and structures.

(c) The Director shall provide controlled access to Apra Harbor Parcel No. 2 (Masso Reservoir) for public fishing and recreation.

(d) The Department of Agriculture shall manage the wildlife resources of Apra Harbor Parcel No. 2 (Masso Reservoir), including existing wildlife, and restore habitat to facilitate the re-introduction of native and/or endangered wildlife.

(e) The Department of Agriculture shall implement native habitat improvement (reforestation) projects for the Masso area watershed to control erosion and runoff into the reservoir and downstream.

(f) The Director shall regulate any fishing or recreational activities within Apra Harbor Parcel No. 2 (Masso Reservoir).

(g) The Department of Agriculture shall monitor its projects to ensure they are effective in achieving the Department’s goals.

(h) The Department of Agriculture shall pursue grants and other funding sources to allow continued habitat and wildlife restoration work on Apra Harbor Parcel No. 2 (Masso Reservoir).
(i) The Department of Agriculture shall follow all local and federal laws, rules, and regulations, and cooperative agreements in relation to this project.

SIGNED AND PROMULGATED at Hagåtña, Guam this 2 day of June, 2006.

FELIX P. CAMACHO
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Governor of Guam