

I Mina'trentai Ocho Na Liheslaturan Guåhan
APPOINTMENTS

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38GL-26-2169	Frank P. Arriola	Member	Board of Directors Port Authority of Guam	4/1/26	Three (3) Years; From Date of Confirmation	4/10/26	Committee on Transportation, Tourism, Customs, Utilities, and Federal and Foreign Affairs	5/11/26	5/13/26			



May 13, 2026

The Honorable Frank F. Blas Jr.
Speaker, *I Mina'trentai Ocho na Liheslaturan Guåhan*
163 W. Chalan Santo Papa
Hågatña, Guam 96910

Via: Honorable Vice Speaker V. Anthony
Ada Chairman, Committee on Rules

RE: Committee Report on the Appointment of Frank P. Arriola.

Buenas yan Håfa Ådai Speaker,

Transmitted herewith is the Committee Report on Frank P. Arriola to serve as a Member of the Port Authority of Guam, Board of Directors for a term of Three (3) Years from the date of Confirmation.

Committee votes are as follows:

- 7 TO DO CONFIRM
- TO NOT CONFIRM
- TO REPORT OUT ONLY
- TO ABSTAIN
- TO PLACE IN INACTIVE FILE



COMMITTEE ON RULES

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May 13, 2026 3:25 p.m.

Senseremente,

Senator Jesse A. Lujan

Chairperson, Committee on Transportation, Tourism, Customs, Utilities and Federal & Foreign Affairs



COMMITTEE REPORT

Nomination of Frank P. Arriola

**As a Member of the
Port Authority of Guam, Board of Directors
for a Term of Three (3) Years; from Date of
Confirmation**



May 13, 2026

MEMORANDUM

To: **All Members**
Committee on Transportation, Tourism, Customs, Utilities and Federal & Foreign Affairs

From: **Senator Jesse A. Lujan**
Chairperson, Committee on Transportation, Tourism, Customs, Utilities and Federal & Foreign Affairs

Subject: **Committee Report on the Appointment of Frank P. Arriola.**

Transmitted herewith for your consideration is the Committee Report on Frank P. Arriola to serve as a Member of the Port Authority of Guam, Board of Directors for a term of Three (3) Years from the date of Confirmation.

This report includes the following:

- Copy of COR Referral of the Appointment
- Copy of the Appointment Letter to the Speaker
- Copy of the Appointment Packet & Supporting Documents
- Additional Police and Court Clearance submitted to the Committee
- Notices of the Public Hearing & Other Correspondence
- Copy of the Public Hearing Agenda
- Public Hearing Sign-in Sheet
- Submitted Written Testimony and supporting Documents
- Committee Vote Sheet
- Committee Report Digest

Please take the appropriate action on the attached vote sheet. Your attention to this matter is greatly appreciated. Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Respectfully,


Senator Jesse A. Lujan

Chairperson, Committee on Transportation, Tourism, Customs, Utilities and Federal & Foreign Affairs




COMMITTEE ON RULES

Vice Speaker V. Anthony Ada, Chairperson
I Mina'trentai Ocho Na Liheslaturan Guåhan
38th Guam Legislature

April 10, 2026

To: **Rennae V. C. Meno**
Clerk of the Legislature

Attorney Darleen E.H. Phillips
Legislative Legal Counsel

From: **Vice Speaker V. Anthony Ada** 
Chairperson, Committee on Rules

Subject: **Referral of Appointment**

Håfa Adai,

As per my authority as Chairperson of the Committee on Rules and subject to §9.01, Rule IX of our Standing Rules, I am forwarding the referral of the following appointment:

Appointee: **Frank P. Arriola**

Position: **Member**

Term Length: **Three (3) Years; From Date of Confirmation**

Please refer the following document:

“**Doc. No. 38GL-26-2169** – Office of the Governor - Appointment and Supporting Documents for Frank P. Arriola, Member, Port Authority of Guam Board of Directors.”

Ensure the appointment is referred to the Committee on Transportation, Tourism, Customs, Utilities, and Federal and Foreign Affairs chaired by Senator Jesse A. Lujan. I also request that the same be copied to Management Information Services (MIS) for posting on our website.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Kamarin Nelson, Committee on Rules Director at 671-472-2461.



LOURDES A. LEON GUERRERO
GOVERNOR



JOSHUA F. TENORIO
LT. GOVERNOR

UFISINAN I MAGA'HĀGAN GUĀHAN
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR OF GUAM

38GL-26-2169
OFFICE OF THE SPEAKER
FRANK F. BLAS JR.

April 1, 2026

HONORABLE FRANK BLAS JR., *Speaker*
I Mina'trentai Ocho Na Liheslaturan Guåhan
38th Guam Legislature
Guam Congress Building
163 Chalan Santo Papa
Hagåtña, Guam 96932

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Time: 11:47am
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RE: Board Appointment

Håfa Adai Mr. Speaker:

By virtue of the authority vested in me pursuant to the Organic Act of Guam, 12 GCA § 10103, and all other applicable local laws, I am pleased to transmit the following appointment and supporting documents:

APPOINTEE: Frank P. Arriola
POSITION: Member, Board of Directors
Port Authority of Guam
TERM LENGTH: Three (3) Years; From Date of Confirmation

The appointment is subject to the advice and consent of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan*. Please schedule a hearing at your earliest convenience.

Senseramente,

LOURDES A. LEON GUERRERO
Maga'hågan Guåhan
Governor of Guam



38GL-26-2169
Messages and Communications

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COMMITTEE ON RULES
April 9, 2026

9:22 a.m.
Marie Crisostomo

cc: *Honorable* Joshua F. Tenorio, *Sigundo Maga'låhen Guåhan*, Lt. Governor of Guam

LOURDES A. LEON GUERRERO
GOVERNOR



JOSHUA F. TENORIO
LT. GOVERNOR

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OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR OF GUAM

April 1, 2026

FRANK P. ARRIOLA



Håfa Adai Mr. Arriola:

Pursuant to my authority under the Organic Act of Guam, 12 GCA § 10103, and all other applicable laws, I am appointing you to serve as a member of the:

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS
PORT AUTHORITY OF GUAM
Term Length: Three (3) Years; From Date of Confirmation**

I appreciate your willingness to serve in this position, and I am confident that your time will be spent in a manner to improve the island of Guam.

The appointment is subject to the advice and consent of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan*.

Should you have any questions, please contact my office at (671) 473-1121.

Senseramente,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero".

LOURDES A. LEON GUERRERO

Maga'hågan Guåhan

Governor of Guam

cc: *Honorable* Joshua F. Tenorio, *Sigundo Maga'låhen Guåhan*, Lt. Governor of Guam
Dorothy P. Harris, Chairperson, Board of Directors, Port Authority of Guam
Rory J. Respicio, General Manager, Port Authority of Guam

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Governor



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OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR OF GUAM
Nomination and Appointment Information Form

The following information is required for submission to the Speaker of / *Liheslaturan Guåhan* in accordance with Title 4, Guam Code Annotated Section 2103

NOMINEE INFORMATION

Last Name ARRIOLA	First Name FRANK	Middle Initial P.
Mailing Address [REDACTED]		Apartment/Unit # [REDACTED]
City [REDACTED]	State [REDACTED]	Zip Code [REDACTED]
Phone [REDACTED]	E-mail Address [REDACTED]	
Position to which Appointment is Made MEMBER, PORT AUTHORITY OF GUAM BOARD		
Are you a citizen of the United States? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		
If no, are you authorized to work in the United States? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		

EDUCATION

SCHOOL (Name, City and State)	DATES OF ATTENDANCE	TYPE OF DEGREE	YEAR EARNED
High School JOHN F. KENNEDY, GUAM	1985-1989	HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA	1989
College UNIVERSITY OF GUAM	1989-1995	BBA	1995
Graduate School			
Other Degree			

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Name of Present/Last Employer and Mailing Address GUAM VISITORS BUREAU		Position Title GENERAL MANAGER
		Dates Held APRIL 2025 - NOVEMBER 2025
Previous Employer and Mailing Address AETNA INTERNATIONAL GUAM		Position Title SENIOR FLIGHT SERVICE MANAGER
		Dates Held 12/2019 - 03/2022
Previous Employer and Mailing Address AKS INSURANCE GUAM		Position Title VICE PRESIDENT
		Dates Held 04/2018 - 03/2022
Previous Employer and Mailing Address LP REALTY GUAM		Position Title ASSOCIATE BROKER
		Dates Held 01/2016 - PRESENT 09/2023
Previous Employer and Mailing Address PACAIR, LTD. / PACAIR PROPERTIES		Position Title GENERAL MANAGER
		Dates Held 07/2001 - 03/2018

PRIOR GOVERNMENT OF GUAM SERVICE

Agency or Department Name GUAM COMMUNITY COLLEGE		Position Title BOARD OF TRUSTEES	
Address	Phone No.	Dates Held DEC. 2020 / FEB 2026	
Agency or Department Name		Position Title	
Address	Phone No.	Dates Held	

PRIOR GOVERNMENT SERVICE (EXCLUDING GOVERNMENT OF GUAM)

Agency or Department Name		Position Title	
Address	Phone No.	Dates Held	
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Address	Phone No.	Dates Held	

TRAINING

INSTITUTE/SEMINARS/ON-THE-JOB TRAINING	DATE
AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF COMMUNITY COLLEGE TRUSTEES (AACT) ANNUAL CONFERENCE	ANNUAL SINCE 2009
AACT GOVERNANCE LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE	2024, 2025
ASIA PACIFIC ASSOCIATION FOR FIDUCIARY STUDIES	2017, 2019, 2022, 2024
ETHICS IN GOVERNMENT TRAINING PROGRAM	2020, 2021

AWARDS

List all educational, professional, civic awards, and recognition for public service:

PROFESSIONAL INVOLVEMENT

List involvement on a local/national/international level. List organizations, activities participated in, and offices held:

COMMUNITY / CIVIC INVOLVEMENT

List organizations, activities participated in, and offices held:

MEMBER, GUAM COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
VICE PRESIDENT, BBMC'S CONSULTATIVE BOARD
INSTRUCTOR, MARIANAS JUDO ASSOCIATION

PUBLICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

List any published articles, papers delivered at professional meetings, etc.:

MILITARY SERVICE (Please attach Form DD-214)

BRANCH	DATES OF SERVICE	RANK AT DISCHARGE	TYPE OF DISCHARGE

OTHER INFORMATION

(1) Have you ever been found guilty of a felony in any court, whether within or without the United States?

Yes No If so, please specify in detail: _____

Address of the Court: _____

Date(s) of Conviction: _____

Specific Infraction Committed: _____

(2) Have you ever been declared mentally incompetent by any court, whether within or without the United States?

Yes No If so, please specify in detail the reasons and facts related to such declaration:

(3) Have you ever been found not guilty or not punishable in any criminal proceedings by reason of insanity?

Yes No

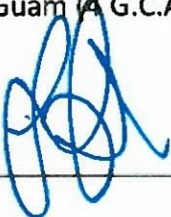
(4) Have you ever been confined to a mental institution for any reason?

Yes No If so, please specify in why the appointing authority believes you that you are not suffering from any mental illness or affliction:

AFFIDAVIT / DECLARATION UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY

I, the undersigned, do hereby depose and say that: (1) I have read and reviewed the information contained in the attached Appointment/Nomination letter from the Governor of Guam; (2) that the matters contained in the Appointment/Nomination letter, together with all attachments thereto, are true and correct and that I am competent to testify to said matters; and (3) that this Declaration is made for the purpose of complying with the requirements of 4 G.C.A. Section 2103.5.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of Guam (4 G.C.A. Section 4308) that the foregoing is true and correct.

FRANK P. ARRIOLA 
Print Name and Signature

3/20/2020
Date



Government of Guam
GUAM POLICE DEPARTMENT
RECORDS & IDENTIFICATION SECTION
P.O. Box 23909
Guam Main Facility, Guam 96921



March 13, 2026

SUBJECT: CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORD

NAME:	Frank P. ARRIOLA		
DATE OF BIRTH:	[REDACTED]	FINGERPRINT#:	[REDACTED]
■	The individual has no record of criminal conviction(s) in the Guam Police Department files that are subject to Guam law.		

*****NOTHING FOLLOWS*****

THIS INFORMATION MAY BE LIMITED TO A LOCAL CRIMINAL OFFENSE ONLY AND IS NOT INTENDED FOR USE FOR ANY LOCAL, STATE, OR FEDERAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY.

By Direction: priscilla

STEPHEN C. IGNACIO
Chief of Police

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HON. ALBERTO C. LAMORENA, III
PRESIDING JUDGE

JANICE M. CAMACHO-PEREZ, ESQ.
CLERK OF COURT

VALERIE D. TENORIO
CHIEF DEPUTY CLERK

Name: Frank P Arriola

Drivers License Number: [REDACTED]

Date of Birth: [REDACTED]

CERTIFICATE OF SEARCH

The undersigned Clerk hereby certifies the following results of a diligent search of the records of this Court:

Criminal Cases:
No Record Found

Civil Cases:

Request for further information may be addressed at the Records Division of the Superior Court of Guam, Guam Judicial Center, 120 West O'Brien Drive, Hagåtña, Guam. Hours of operation are Monday - Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Closed Saturdays, Sundays and local/federal holidays. **Court Clearances are Non-Refundable.**

Dated: March 6, 2026

Janice M. Camacho-Perez
Clerk of Court

By: _____
Deputy Clerk II

Prepared by: Ventura Salenga Jr.



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May 12, 2026

SUBJECT: CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORD

NAME:	Frank P ARRIOLA		
DATE OF BIRTH:		FINGERPRINT#:	
The individual has no record of criminal conviction(s) in the Guam Police Department files that are subject to Guam law.			

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Dated: May 12, 2026

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By: 
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Senator Jesse Lujan <senator.lujan@guamlegislature.gov>

FIRST NOTICE of Public Hearing on May 11, 2026

Senator Jesse Lujan <senator.lujan@guamlegislature.gov>

Mon, May 4, 2026 at 11:00 AM

To: phnotice@guamlegislature.gov

Bcc: Rory Respicio <rjrespicio@portofguam.com>, Margret Duenas <mduenas@portofguam.com>

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

May 4, 2026

MEMORANDUM

To: All Senators, Stakeholders, Media

From: Senator Jesse A. Lujan
Chairman, Committee on Transportation, Tourism, Customs, Utilities,
and Federal & Foreign Affairs

RE: FIRST NOTICE of Public Hearing on May 11, 2026

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2:00 PM

- **Doc. No. 38GL-26-2169** – Appointment for Frank P. Arriola, Member, Port Authority of Guam Board of Directors.

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 **Posted by:** Cecile Suda, Deputy Chief of Staff

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Confirmation hearing on the appointment of Frank P. Arriola to the seaport board

Scheduled for May 11, 2026

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SECOND NOTICE of Public Hearing on May 11, 2026

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Fri, May 8, 2026 at 10:00 AM

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PUBLIC HEARING

 **Posted on:** 05/08/2026 09:45 AM

 **Posted by:** Cecile Suda

 **Public Hearing Date:** 05/11/2026 02:00 PM

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May 8, 2026

MEMORANDUM

To: All Senators, Stakeholders, Media

From: Senator Jesse A. Lujan
Chairman, Committee on Transportation, Tourism, Customs,
Utilities,
and Federal & Foreign Affairs

RE: SECOND NOTICE of Public Hearing on May 11, 2026

The Committee on Transportation, Tourism, Customs, Utilities and Federal & Foreign Affairs will convene a public hearing on **May 11, 2026** beginning at **2:00 PM** at the Public Hearing Room in the Guam Congress Building. The agenda is as follows:

2:00 PM

Doc. No. 38GL-26-2169 – Appointment for Frank P. Arriola, Member, Port Authority of Guam Board of Directors.

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Confirmation hearing on the appointment of Frank P. Arriola to the seaport board

Scheduled for May 11, 2026

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Public Hearing for Frank P. Arriola, PAG Board Nominee

1 message

Senator Jesse Lujan <senator.lujan@guamlegislature.gov>
To: Rory Respicio <rjrespicio@portofguam.com>
Cc: Margret Duenas <mduenas@portofguam.com>

Mon, Apr 27, 2026 at 10:32 AM

Hafa Adai General Manager Respicio and Board of Directors!

The Committee on Transportation, Tourism, Customs, Utilities and Federal & Foreign Affairs will conduct a Public Hearing on **Monday, May 11, 2026**, beginning at **2:00PM** at the Public Hearing Room in the Guam Congress Building. Please advise Mr. Arriola about his public hearing. The agenda is as follows:

2:00 PM

Doc. No. 38GL-26-2169 – Appointment for Frank P. Arriola, Member, Port Authority of Guam Board of Directors.

We value your input and encourage you to attend and share your testimony. If you plan to present written testimony, please bring fifteen (15) copies.

If you cannot attend in person, please submit written testimony via email to senator.lujan@guamlegislature.gov at least **48 hours** before the public hearing.

Please confirm receipt of this email and whether you will attend the hearing. If you have any questions or need more information, please call our office at (671) 969-6525.

Thank you,
Cecile Bamba Suda
Deputy Chief of Staff

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Public Hearing Agenda
Monday, May 11, 2026, 2:00 PM
Guam Congress Building

AGENDA

2:00 PM

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 Office of Senator Jesse A. Lujan

Chairman, Committee on Transportation, Tourism, Custome, Utilities and Federal & Foreign Affairs

Date: Monday, May 11, 2026

Time: 2:00PM

Confirmation Hearing - Frank P. Arriola, PAG Board Nominee

	Name	Agency / Address	Contact No.	Email	Type of Testimony		Support	
					Oral	Written	Yes	No
1	Jesse Pangelinan	Barrigada, GU 96915			✓		✓	
2	Rina Lippin	PMT			✓	✓	✓	
3	Jay ARRIOLA				✓	✓	✓	
4	FRANK ARRIOLA							
5	DOT HARRIS	PMT Board Chair			✓	✓	✓	
6	Donchita Taitano	PAG Board VC					✓	
7	AUBRIENE MERTALIN						✓	
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Confirmation Hearing - Frank P. Arriola, PAG Board Nominee

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1	Dominic Mund	PAG					✓	
2	Pacific Maatta	PAG			✓		✓	
3	Jill Amata	TRIPLE IS FORWARD				✓	✓	
4	Chirag M. Bhojani	Personal				✓	✓	
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May 5, 2026

The Honorable Jesse A. Lujan
Chairperson, Committee on Transportation, Tourism,
Customs, Utilities and Federal and Foreign Affairs
Thirty-Eight Guam Legislature
Calvo Arriola Building, Suite 101-A
259 Martyr Street
Hagatna, Guam 96910

Subject: Testimony Supporting the Nomination of Frank P. Arriola

Good morning, Mr. Chairman and members of your Committee.

As Chairperson of the Board of Directors of the Port Authority of Guam, I am here to express our support for the nomination of Frank P. Arriola to serve as a member of the Board.

The responsibility of the Board is to provide oversight, ensure accountability, and maintain alignment between the Port's operations and its statutory obligations. The Board maintains a strong and productive working relationship with its General Manager, allowing us to strengthen governance, reinforce financial discipline, and support systems that guide consistent and transparent decision-making.

The Board remains focused on disciplined decision-making, ensuring that actions are guided by policy, supported by data, and aligned with the Port's long-term interests. Our role is to provide oversight and direction while respecting the operational responsibilities of management. That balance is essential to maintaining accountability and organizational stability. The Board also recognizes its responsibility to the public, ensuring that decisions are made with transparency and in the best interest of the people of Guam.

The Board conducts independent review of matters before it, asks questions where appropriate, and ensures decisions are supported by policy and the record. This reflects active oversight and reinforces that Board actions are deliberate, documented, and accountable.

As the Port moves forward, the focus is on maintaining that structure while supporting the execution of major initiatives. This includes oversight of capital investments, protection of the Port's financial position, and ensuring that the organization continues to operate in a stable and predictable manner.

The Board has also played an active role in guiding the development of the Port's Master Plan 2025 and the Look Ahead 2026 framework. These efforts reflect the Board's responsibility to set long-term direction, align priorities with Guam's broader economic and national security needs, and ensure that planning translates into disciplined execution. Through this process, the Board has remained engaged in shaping the Port's strategic path while maintaining its oversight role.

Stability and continuity remain important as the Port advances its priorities. The Board is focused on maintaining consistency in governance while supporting ongoing progress. The Board has confidence in the direction of the organization and remains committed to supporting its continued progress.

The Board reflects a range of experience in governance, financial oversight, operations, and community leadership. This diversity supports balanced, informed, and disciplined decision-making, consistent with the scope and responsibility of the Port's mission.

At this stage, the Board's composition matters. Adding members who understand governance, accountability, and long-term planning is important as the Port continues to move forward.

Mr. Arriola brings experience that complements this role. His background in business operations, insurance, and real estate reflects an understanding of risk, value, and long-term planning. These are important considerations for a Board that is overseeing significant infrastructure development and financial commitments.

He also brings prior public service experience, which reflects an understanding of fiduciary duty and the importance of governance in a public institution. That perspective is essential to maintaining consistency and accountability in Board decision-making.

Mr. Arriola is also the grandson of Gregorio D. Perez, for whom the Hagåtña Marina is named, reflecting a longstanding connection to Guam's maritime and fishing community.

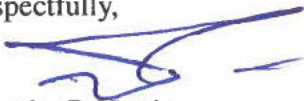
The Port continues to play a central role in Guam's economic stability and national security posture. The Board remains focused on ensuring that the Port is positioned to meet these responsibilities through sound oversight, disciplined decision-making, and continued alignment with long-term priorities.

We welcome Mr. Arriola's willingness to serve and contribute to the continued progress of the Port Authority of Guam.

For these reasons, I respectfully support his nomination and ask for your favorable consideration.

Thank you.

Respectfully,



Dorothy P. Harris
Chairperson
Port Board of Directors



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May 7, 2026

The Honorable Jesse A. Lujan
Chairperson, Committee on Transportation, Tourism,
Customs, Utilities and Federal and Foreign Affairs
Thirty-Eight Guam Legislature
Calvo Arriola Building, Suite 101-A
259 Martyr Street
Hagatna, Guam 96910

Subject: Testimony Supporting the Nomination of Frank P. Arriola

Good morning, Mr. Chairman and members of your Committee.

I am here to support the nomination of Frank P. Arriola to serve as a member of the Port Authority of Guam Board.

Given Mr. Arriola's background in tourism, insurance, and real estate, I will focus on those areas that align with his experience and demonstrate his suitability for this position.

Over the past several years, the Port has taken deliberate steps to reform and strengthen the integrity of its Commercial Division. This work, in coordination with the Commercial Division, Finance, and in-house legal counsel, has focused on ensuring that all lease arrangements are compliant, structured, and aligned with the Port's statutory authority. We have transitioned to direct lease relationships, enforced terms consistently, and addressed underperforming arrangements that did not reflect the true value of Port assets.

These reforms have strengthened tariff application, billing accuracy, lease administration, and overall revenue integrity. They have led to greater revenue stability and a more predictable commercial environment. More importantly, they have laid the foundation for long term financial strength, which is critical as the Port advances major capital investments and infrastructure improvements.

Sustaining and building on this progress requires Board members who understand both the discipline behind these reforms and the opportunities they create.

As reflected in the Port's Look Ahead 2026, the organization has transitioned from a period of reform into one focused on sustained execution and delivery. This next phase requires disciplined oversight in financial management, capital investment, and continuity in governance and leadership.

The Port is now advancing major infrastructure initiatives from planning into execution, while maintaining operational reliability and financial discipline. Financial stability remains non-negotiable, with continued emphasis on consistent tariff application, lease terms aligned with statutory requirements, budget controls, and long-term financial protection.

This progress is also reflected in the recent award of approximately \$60 million through the Maritime Administration's Port Infrastructure Development Program to support the acquisition of three ship to shore gantry cranes. This investment represents a significant federal commitment to Guam's supply chain and national security role. It reinforces the importance of disciplined execution, strong financial oversight, and risk management as these projects move forward. These are not future considerations. They are active responsibilities before the Board today.

The Port's success in this next phase will be measured not only by project delivery, but by our ability to maintain uninterrupted operations while executing major capital improvements. The Port also plays a critical role in energy security, with fuel infrastructure supporting both civilian demand and national defense requirements. The focus now is execution, delivering on these commitments in a disciplined and accountable manner.

At the same time, we have strengthened and institutionalized governance systems to ensure compliance, transparency, and accountability remain consistent and embedded across the organization.

We have also taken steps to restore and strengthen the Port's insurance coverage, securing coverage valued at 100 percent of the Port's property valuation based on current asset values. This ensures that all Port assets, operations, and ongoing capital investments are fully protected. As modernization accelerates and risk exposure increases, maintaining comprehensive coverage is essential to safeguarding the Port's financial position and operational continuity.

Mr. Arriola brings an understanding that aligns directly with this phase of the Port's development. He complements the current Board effectively, adding to the range of perspectives and diverse professional backgrounds already in place. The Board, under the leadership of Chair Dot Harris, Vice Chair Conchita Taitano, Board Secretary Fe Valencia-Ovalles, and Director Mark Mendiola, reflects a strong combination of governance, financial oversight, operational experience, and community leadership. Each member contributes to balanced and disciplined decision-making. Mr. Arriola's background further strengthens that composition, particularly in business operations, risk management, and market awareness. His experience with PacAir also provides familiarity with transportation and logistics environments that intersect with supply chain operations, supporting his ability to engage on Port-related matters. His background in insurance, in particular, provides added insight into risk management, coverage considerations, and the importance of protecting institutional assets, especially as the Board oversees major capital investments of this scale.

There is also a natural point of coordination between the Port and the Guam Visitors Bureau, particularly in the planning and execution of cruise ship visits. These calls require alignment across scheduling, passenger processing, and on-island experience. Mr. Arriola's familiarity with the tourism sector adds practical insight into how these efforts can be coordinated effectively, helping to strengthen the visitor experience while supporting the Port's operational framework.

He also brings governance experience through his long service on the Guam Community College Board of Trustees. That experience reflects a sustained commitment to public service and fiduciary responsibility. He understands the role of a board member, which is to provide oversight, uphold policy, ensure accountability, and support the long-term success of the organization.

The Port's role extends beyond commerce. It is central to Guam's economic stability and national security posture. As the Port continues to strengthen its commercial framework, advance infrastructure modernization, and support both civilian and military demands, it is important to have Board members who can evaluate decisions within that broader context.

I also want to acknowledge Governor Lou Leon Guerrero and Lieutenant Governor Joshua Tenorio for this appointment, and Mr. Arriola for his willingness to step forward and serve once again.

As we look ahead, the Port is entering a critical phase of execution. The work before us requires continued consistency, discipline, and a clear understanding of how commercial strategy, financial management, and capital investment come together to support both immediate needs and long-term sustainable growth.

Mr. Arriola brings that perspective and is well positioned to contribute meaningfully to the Board's work.

For these reasons, I respectfully support his nomination and ask this body to give him favorable consideration. Thank you.

Respectfully,



Rory J. Respicio
General Manager

Cc: Port Board of Directors
Deputy General Managers

May 11, 2026

Hon. Senator Jesse A. Lujan
Chairman, Committee on Transportation,
Tourism, Customs, Utilities, and Federal
And Foreign Affairs

Re: Frank Arriola

Buenas yan Háfa Adai Chairman Senator Lujan and Members of the Committee on Transportation, Tourism, Customs, Utilities, and Federal and Foreign Affairs. I am pleased to offer my testimony in support of the nomination of Frank Arriola to the Board of Directors of the Port Authority of Guam.

I have known Frank for many years, both through our professional and personal circles on Guam. Frank has always shown his capabilities as a leader in business, on the football field, or on the tatame mats. He is consistent, shows up prepared, makes effort to understand the issues in front of him, and he follows through.

Frank's background is very relevant to this role. His experience working in both air cargo and ocean shipping gives him a practical, working understanding of the logistics chain that keeps Guam moving. He understands the important role the Port Authority carries in ensuring continuity and growth of Guam's economy.

Beyond his industry experience, Frank has also demonstrated strong leadership in the public and community space. His service as former Chairman of the Guam Community College Board reflects his ability to lead an organization, work through complex issues, and stay focused on long-term outcomes. That experience translates well to the responsibilities required of Port Authority board members.

On a personal level, Frank brings discipline and character to everything he does. As a football captain & judo black belt, he embodies focus, respect, and resilience—qualities that show up in how he approaches both challenges and leadership. I respectfully and confidently support his nomination and I ask for your favorable consideration.

Sincerely,

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May 11, 2026

The Honorable Jesse A. Lujan
Chairman
Committee on Transportation, Tourism, Customs,
Utilities, and Federal and Foreign Affairs
38th Guam Legislature

REF Frank Arriola Appointment to the Port Authority of Guam Board of Directors

Dear Senator Lujan,

I am writing to formally submit my testimony in support of Frank P. Arriola's nomination to the Board of Directors of the Port Authority of Guam.

I have known Frank personally for over 30 years. He is a highly respected member of our business community with extensive private sector experience, particularly within the real estate industry. Beyond his professional work, Frank has been a dedicated community figure, actively supporting Guam's youth through junior golf and judo programs.

Notably, I served with Frank as a trustee of the Guam Community College for over 14 years. During his two terms as **board chair**, he worked tirelessly with President Mary Okada to oversee the significant expansion and modernization of the college. Throughout this time, Frank proved to be a strong, capable, and dedicated leader.

As a member of Guam's shipping industry, I strongly support Frank's appointment to the PAG board of directors. His proven leadership, vision, and industry experience, combined with his integrity, will make him a significant asset to the board. I am confident that his contributions will be instrumental in the continued development, growth, and management of Guam's only public seaport.

Sincerely,

Richard P. Sablan
President

May 11, 2026

Honorable Frank F. Blas, Jr.
Speaker, 38th Guam Legislature
Guam Congress Building
163 Chalan Santo Papa
Hagatna, Guam 96910

Re: Frank P. Arriola – Port Authority of Guam

Hafa Adai Speaker Blas and members of I Liheslaturan Guahan:

I am honored to testify today in strong support of Frank P. Arriola for the advice and consent of this body confirming his appointment to the Board of Directors for the Port Authority of Guam.

Frank and I are cousins, and because of that, I have had the privilege of witnessing firsthand both his personal character and professional growth. I have come to know him as someone who is hardworking, dependable, honest, and deeply committed to serving our island community. He is also a man of faith and family.

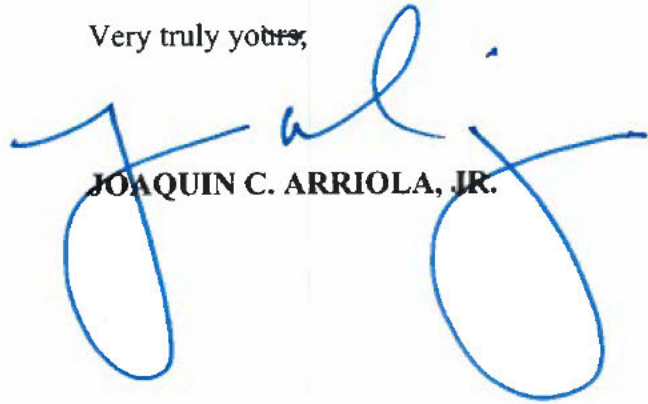
Frank brings with him extensive leadership, operational, and management experience that makes him exceptionally qualified for this important role. His professional background includes decades of experience in logistics, transportation, operations management, business development, and project management. He has worked in telecommunications, insurance and real estate. Of particular relevance is his prior experience coordinating directly with the Port Authority of Guam during his time with Matson Navigation Company, where he worked closely with port operations, vessel planning, cargo coordination, and harbor operations. His understanding of the operational demands and importance of Guam's port system provides him with valuable insight that would greatly benefit the Board and the Port.

In addition to his professional accomplishments, Frank has demonstrated a longstanding commitment to public service and community involvement. His leadership as Chairman of the Guam Community College Board of Trustees and his work supporting workforce development, education, and local organizations reflect his dedication to improving Guam and serving its people.

What stands out most to me is Frank's integrity and ability to build strong working relationships with others. He approaches challenges thoughtfully, communicates effectively, and consistently conducts himself with professionalism and respect. I have no doubt that he would serve the Port Authority of Guam with the same level of dedication, accountability, and leadership that he has demonstrated throughout his career.

It is with great pride and confidence that I support Frank P. Arriola's nomination to the Board of Directors for the Port Authority of Guam. I respectfully ask that his nomination receive your favorable consideration, advice and consent.

Very truly yours,



JOAQUIN C. ARRIOLA, JR.

Testimony in Support of the Nomination of Frank P. Arriola

Chairperson, Members of the Committee, and Honorable Senators,

Hafa Adai and Good afternoon. My name is Joel Quitugua and I am here today in strong support of the nomination of Mr. Frank P. Arriola to serve on the Board of the Port Authority of Guam.

I have known Frank for many years as both a close business associate and friend, and I can confidently say that he brings a tremendous amount of experience, professionalism, and integrity to any organization he serves.


Frank has been a respected member of Guam's business community for decades, holding major leadership roles with organizations such as Matson Guam Operations, Pac Sports as General Manager, PacAir Properties as Air Cargo Terminal Building Property Manager, and AETNA as General Manager for the GovGuam Employees Health Insurance Plan. He has also served as a Real Estate Agent and as Chairman of the Guam Community College Board.

Throughout his career, Frank has demonstrated a strong work ethic. He is often the first to arrive and the last to leave. More importantly, he has always treated his clients, business associates, employees, and the community with fairness, respect, and professionalism.

His extensive business background, leadership experience, and understanding of Guam's transportation and logistics environment will make him a valuable asset to the Port Authority of Guam Board.

I respectfully ask for your favorable consideration and confirmation of Mr. Frank P. Arriola's nomination.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify today. Si Yu'os Ma'ase!


JOEL M. QUITUGUA
05/11/2026



May 07, 2026

RE: Letter of Support for Frank P. Arriola, Deputy General Manager for GVB

Sent via Email

To the Honorable Chairman Jesse Lujan and Members of the Committee on Transportation, Tourism, Customs, Utilities, and Federal and Foreign Affairs

I am honored to provide this letter of testimony in strong support of the confirmation of Frank P. Arriola for the position of Deputy General Manager of the Guam Visitors Bureau.

I have had the pleasure of serving alongside Mr. Arriola on the Guam Community College Board of Trustees for the past eight years. During this time, I have witnessed firsthand his professionalism, dedication, and unwavering commitment to public service and institutional excellence.

His professionalism is consistently reflected in the way he conducts himself in board deliberations and decision-making processes. He approaches complex issues with clarity, respect for diverse perspectives, and a strong sense of responsibility. He is thoughtful and measured in his contributions, ensuring that decisions are guided by sound judgment rather than personal interest. He also maintains a high standard of integrity, earning the trust and confidence of his colleagues through transparency and accountability.

Equally notable is his commitment. Frank does not view service as a title or obligation, but as a responsibility to the people of Guam. He demonstrates persistence in seeing initiatives through to completion, even when challenges arise. He invests time in understanding the issues at hand, actively engages with stakeholders, and remains focused on long-term outcomes rather than short-term convenience. His dedication to student success, institutional improvement, and workforce development reflects a genuine investment in the future of our island.

Frank Arriola has consistently demonstrated the leadership, professionalism, and commitment necessary to help guide one of Guam's most important industries. His experience in tourism, business development, operations, and community engagement has given him a well-rounded understanding of both the opportunities and challenges facing Guam's visitor industry today.

Throughout his career, Frank has earned the respect of colleagues, industry professionals, and community members through his strong work ethic, strategic thinking, and ability to build meaningful relationships. He understands the importance of collaboration between government, private industry, airlines, hospitality partners, and local stakeholders to strengthen Guam's tourism economy and ensure sustainable growth for our island.

What makes Frank especially qualified for this role is not only his professional background, but also his genuine commitment to Guam and its people. He recognizes that tourism is more than an economic driver — it is an opportunity to showcase our culture, hospitality, and island identity to the world. His leadership style reflects accountability, integrity, and a practical approach to problem-solving that will serve the Guam Visitors Bureau well.

At a time when Guam continues to navigate recovery, market diversification, and increased regional competition, the Bureau requires leadership that is experienced, forward-thinking, and capable of working effectively with both public and private sector partners. Frank Arriola possesses those qualities and will be a valuable asset to the organization and the island community.

I respectfully urge this body to support and confirm Frank P. Arriola as Deputy General Manager of the Guam Visitors Bureau. I am confident he will serve with distinction and help advance the long-term success and stability of Guam's tourism industry.

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully,



Carlo M. Leon Guerrero
Vice President, M-80 Systems, Inc.

May 11, 2026

Honorable Jesse A. Lujan

Chairperson

Committee on Transportation, Tourism, Customs, Utilities and Federal & Foreign Affairs

I Mina'trentai Ocho Na Liheslaturan Guåhan

RE: Letter of Support for the Appointment of Mr. Frank P. Arriola

Dear Senator Lujan,

Hafa Adai! I write in my personal capacity in strong support of the confirmation of Mr. Frank P. Arriola to serve as a Member of the Board of Directors for the Port Authority of Guam.

I have known Frank for nearly a decade, both professionally and personally, and throughout that time I have consistently found him to be thoughtful, solutions-oriented, transparent, and deeply committed to the people of Guam.

I first met Frank during my time as Senior Policy Director for then-Speaker Tina Muña Barnes in the 35th Guam Legislature. At the time, our committee had oversight over human resources matters, including the Government of Guam health insurance program. Frank was serving as General Manager for Aetna, which had recently assumed responsibility for the GovGuam health insurance plan.

The transition from a local provider to an off-island provider created significant confusion and frustration, particularly among our retirees and *manåmko'*. Like many stateside insurance companies, Aetna initially lacked the local capacity necessary to effectively serve the in-person and personal needs of Guam's subscribers. What stood out to me was that Frank did not hide behind corporate talking points or dismiss the concerns being raised. Instead, he immediately acknowledged the problems and worked collaboratively with policymakers and stakeholders to address them.

Under Frank's leadership, Aetna implemented a locally staffed customer service number to replace the existing 1-800 call center experience. He expanded local staffing, organized outreach events, and made himself accessible to the public. Most importantly, rather than avoiding scrutiny, Frank encouraged transparency and personally appeared before the Legislature for oversight hearings on multiple occasions. In a difficult and highly criticized transition period, he chose accountability over avoidance.

I later had the opportunity to work with Frank again during my tenure as Chief of Staff for Vice Speaker Tina Muña Barnes while he served as Chairman of the Guam Community College Board of Trustees. During that time, we collaborated on initiatives aimed at strengthening workforce development and healthcare education opportunities for Guam.

Frank played an important role in efforts to leverage federal funding opportunities to advance the vision of building a modern nursing and healthcare training facility at Guam Community College. He also supported the implementation of the *BIRÁDA* program, which greatly expanded opportunities for students pursuing medical education and careers in healthcare through partnerships with leading medical schools.

Beyond his professional accomplishments, I also know Frank through my family's business interests. He has long been a trusted family friend and advisor. I have personally witnessed the time and energy he devotes to mentoring young athletes and emerging leaders in our community. He consistently uses his personal time to teach discipline, leadership, teamwork, and life skills to Guam's youth. His commitment to community service extends well beyond any title or position he has held.

The Port Authority of Guam is one of the most critical institutions in our island community. It requires board members who are capable of navigating complex operational issues while remaining responsive to the people they serve. Based on my experiences working with Frank over many years, I am confident he possesses the leadership, integrity, and practical problem-solving skills necessary to serve effectively in this role.

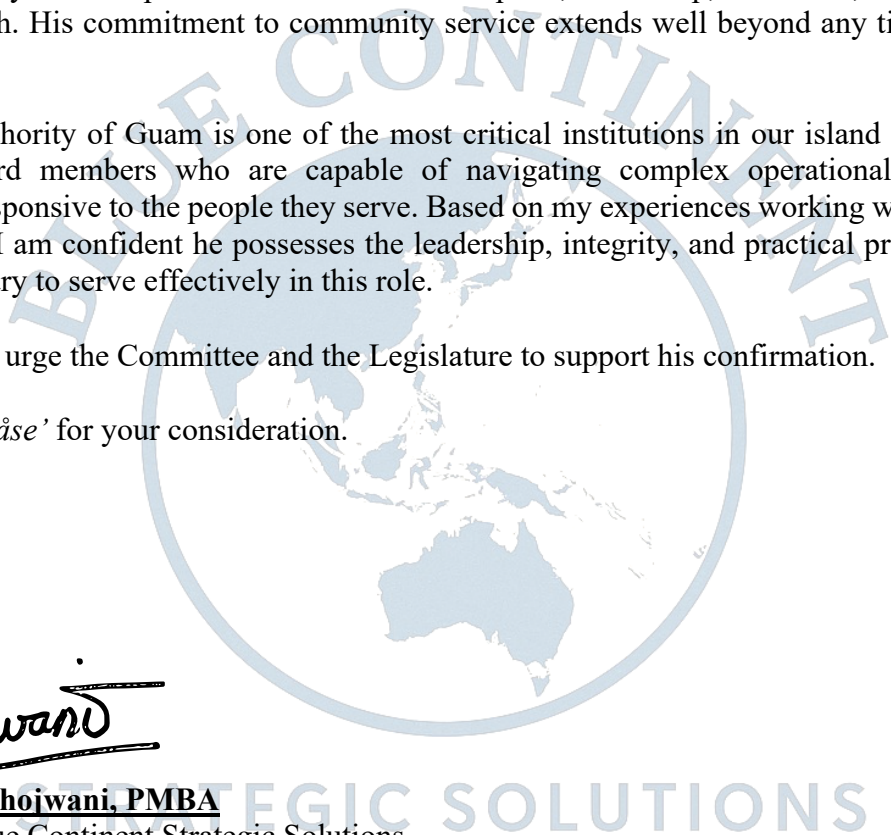
I respectfully urge the Committee and the Legislature to support his confirmation.

Si Yu'os Ma'áse' for your consideration.

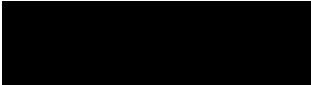
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Tuesday, May 5, 2026

Re: Port Authority of Guam Nominee Frank P. Arriola as Director, Port Authority of Guam

Håfa Adai Senator Lujan,

I am Shin Taira, currently serving our island as a Director for Guam Economic Development Authority (GEDA). I am writing to offer my strong support for the confirmation of Mr. Frank P. Arriola to the Board of Directors of the Port Authority of Guam (PAG). Frank's extensive private-sector executive experience in maritime shipping, aviation logistics, commercial infrastructure, insurance, and tourism leadership make him exceptionally well-qualified to serve on the Port board.

Frank brings more than two decades of proven leadership across commercial real estate, insurance, renewable energy, retail, and education. Most notably:

- Early in his career, he served as Marine Coordinator at Matson Navigation Company from 1998 to 2001. In this role, he gained direct, hands-on experience in maritime operations, cargo coordination, and shipping logistics — providing him with invaluable insight into the needs of the Port's major ocean carriers and the daily realities of Guam's maritime supply chain.
- As General Manager of PacAir Properties LLC (and related entities PacAir Ltd. and Pacsports), he played a central role in the development and operation of the \$26.5 million Integrated Air Cargo Facility at the A.B. Won Pat Guam International Airport. This 163,000-square-foot state-of-the-art logistics hub enhanced cargo handling efficiency and capacity. His direct experience in aviation cargo infrastructure, commercial leasing, and operational management is highly transferable to the Port Authority's maritime cargo operations.
- He previously served as Vice President of AXS Insurance and as senior client service manager for Netcare and Aetna, giving him deep expertise in risk management, insurance programs, and operational resilience — critical skills for the Port's complex maritime safety, security, and liability environment.
- He currently serves as Deputy General Manager and Vice President of the Guam Visitors Bureau (GVB). In this role, he contributes to strategic initiatives that directly intersect with Port operations, particularly cruise ship tourism, visitor arrivals, and economic development.
- Mr. Arriola is a long-serving member and former Chairman of the Guam Community College (GCC) Board of Trustees. His commitment to workforce development and industry-aligned education will

help the Port address its ongoing need for skilled labor in logistics, maintenance, operations, and other critical areas.

Throughout his career, Frank has demonstrated success in leading organizations, managing multimillion-dollar projects, and driving growth initiatives. He combines strong private-sector operational discipline with a deep commitment to Guam's economic future.

The Port Authority of Guam is vital to our island's economy, supply chain security, and quality of life. Confirming experienced leaders like Frank— with direct maritime shipping experience, logistics expertise, and workforce development knowledge — will greatly benefit the Port as it modernizes and expands.

I respectfully urge the Committee and the full Legislature to confirm Mr. Frank P. Arriola to the Port Authority of Guam Board of Directors.

Si Yu'us Ma'åse,



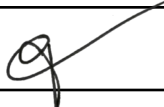
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COMMITTEE VOTE SHEET

Nomination of Frank P. Arriola to serve as a Member of the Port Authority of Guam, Board of Directors for a term of Three (3) Years from the date of confirmation.

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Senator Tina Rose Muña Barnes <i>Member</i>						
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Wed, May 13, 2026 at 8:38 AM

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Si Yu'us ma'åse'!

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COMMITTEE REPORT DIGEST

Committee on Transportation, Tourism, Customs, Utilities and Federal & Foreign Affairs

Senator Jesse A. Lujan, Chairman

I. OVERVIEW

The Committee on Transportation, Tourism, Customs, Utilities and Federal & Foreign Affairs convened a Public Hearing for the appointment of [Mr. Frank P. Arriola](#) to serve as a Member of the Port Authority of Guam, Board of Directors for a term of Three (3) Years from the date of Confirmation on May 11, 2026 at 2:00PM in the Guam Congress Building's Public Hearing Room.

Public Hearing Notices were posted to the Government Public Notices Portal and disseminated via electronic mail to all Senators and all main media broadcasting outlets on **May 4, 2026** (5-Day Notice), and again on **May 8, 2026** (48-Hour Notice).

SenatorS PRESENT

Jesse A. Lujan, Chairman

Eulogio Shawn Gumataotao, Member

V. Anthony Ada, Vice Speaker

ORAL TESTIMONY:

Frank P. Arriola, Appointee

Jesse Pangelinan, CAP

Dorothy "Dot" P. Harris, Chairperson, PAG Board of Directors

Rory J. Respicio, General Manager, PAG

Joaquin "Jay" C. Arriola, Jr., Attorney, Arriola Law Firm, LLC

WRITTEN TESTIMONY:

Brian Bamba, Self

Richard P. Sablan, President, Marianas Steamship Agencies, Inc.

Joel Quitugua, Self

Carlo M. Leon Guerrero, Vice President, M-80 Systems, Inc.

Dorothy "Dot" P. Harris, Chairperson, PAG Board of Directors

Rory J. Respicio, General Manager, PAG

Joaquin "Jay" C. Arriola, Jr., Attorney, Arriola Law Firm, LLC

Chirag M. Bhojwani, Principal, Blue Continent Strategic Solutions

Shin Taira, Director, Guam Economic Development Authority

II. SUMMARY OF TESTIMONY & DISCUSSION

The public hearing for the appointment of Mr. Frank P. Arriola was called to order at [2:00PM](#).

SENATOR JESSE A. LUJAN, CHAIRPERSON: Good afternoon. This afternoon's public hearing is conducted by the Committee on Transportation, Tourism, Customs, Utilities and Federal and Foreign affairs is called to order. It is now 2:04pm on Monday, May 11, 2026. The first notice of this public hearing was disseminated to all senators and media outlets on May 4, 2026 with the second notice disseminated on May 8, 2026. These hearing notices were also made available on the Guam Legislature's website, our legislative calendar and the the Government of Guam's Public Notice Portal. The Committee will hear testimony on the appointment of Frank P. Arriola to serve as a member of the Port Authority of Guam's (PAG) Board of directors. At this time I would like to welcome my colleagues who are joining us this afternoon: Vice Speaker Tony Ada, thank you for joining us; as well as Senator Shawn Gumataotao, thank you for being here this afternoon. Before we begin, I'd like to remind everyone in attendance of *I Liheslaturan Guahan's* general rules of conduct. Individuals testifying shall first be recognized by the Chairperson before speaking and shall state their full name for record purposes. Questions and testimony shall be confined to the substance of nature of the bill or confirmation. Personal inferences to the character or motive of any or of any senator or individual testifying is not permitted. The Chairperson of the Committee may order the removal from this hearing any member of the *I Liheslaturan Guahan* or the public who failed to observe public property quorum pursuant to the 38th Guam Legislature standing rules. Any violation of this general rule of conduct will result in immediate removal from the Public Hearing room. We'll now proceed and if I can call up – yes, the nominee and anyone else that are giving testimony. Jesse Pangelinan, Senator Respicio, Jay Arriola. Dot, are you testifying? Yes? Okay. Conchita, you testifying? No? Okay. And Aubrey, are you testifying? Okay, thank you. We'll just go ahead and have everyone that's going to

testify – and please remain seated while I open the floor. Okay. And I'll remind also my colleagues that after their testimonies, we have five minutes. Okay? Thank you very much. So, Mr. Arriola, go ahead.

FRANK P. ARRIOLA, APPOINTEE: *Hafa Adai*, Chairman Lujan and members of the esteemed 38th Guam Legislature. As a nominee to the Port Authority of Guam Board of Directors. I am honored to present my qualifications and share how my values, experience and commitment can strengthen Guam's vital port operations. I am dedicated to serving our community and ensuring that Guam's port remains a cornerstone of our island's progress. My cumulative experience in the private sector and public sector, along with many years in public service has prepared me for this moment. In the private sector, I have worked in logistics, both cnair, construction management, project management, facilities management and leasing, including federal leases. I have also significant experience in real estate, project development, insurance and sales. Serving on the PAG board will allow me to support the port in its key role as Guam's logistic and supply chain center, moving cargo that affects and improves everyday life. The Port Authority is a lifeline for the island of Guam, a central hub for commerce and economic growth. Our port needs ongoing support to continue modernizing and becoming more efficient. Which is why it's essential that the Board and the Port Users Group continue their incredible work ensuring port has the equipment and technology it needs to meet Guam's future. I am confident that I will bring strong leadership to advance the port's master plan, supporting continued economic development and innovation as it enters the next era of Guam's growth and military expansion. With my background in logistics and facilities management, I value efficient operations and sustainability, both financially and environmentally. Protecting Guam's environment should be our top priority as it directly impacts our people. As stewards of our island, of our land and sea, I will support measures to preserve Guam's water. Encourage the board and PAG leaders to do the same in daily decision making. Furthermore, the port's operations enable business and job growth access across multiple sectors. Beyond transportation and handling, PAG is

a vital pillar of our local economy, providing opportunities for business to flourish and generating tax revenue for Guam. For the past three months, I've served as Vice President of the Guam Visitors Bureau. In that time, we've completed a major international running event and prepared our industry for a super typhoon. We then led recovery efforts for our tourism partners after the storm. These outcomes came across from our team's operational insight and efficiency, enabling Guam to welcome visitors again quickly. We aim to restore Guam's beauty for Guam tourists. Our goal is to strengthen resilience, diversify the economy and help residents and local communities benefit from our visitor industry. Like tourism, the Port of Guam is critical to the island's prosperity. It is a vital development gateway for Guam's tourism industry, providing more opportunities for visitors to reach our shores. Moreover, an efficient port directly benefits all tourism related businesses. From hotels and restaurants to our local grocery stores and other reliant on supply chains. Some of my proudest moments were serving seventeen (17) years on the Guam Community College (GCC) Board of Trustees, including seven (7) as chairman. The Board revamped the college by working with leadership on the Strategic Master Plan. GCC holds groundbreaking and ribbon cutting today thanks to its staff's hard work. On the GCC board, we prioritize workforce development through public private partnerships. This led to pre apprenticeship boot camps that prepared our community for employment and for apprenticeship programs. I have advocated for the college and Guam in Washington D.C., securing funding, loans and grants for our program. Guam's port is vital to our island's operation. Also provides opportunities for our residents to start and grow meaningful careers that can support families right here at home. With my background in workforce development, I'll bring a structured strategic approach to developing and training the next generation of port professionals. They are a very important reason why I want to be part of this board. Clean audits marked by my board tenure. The college earned accreditation including an extended accreditation review from five (5) to seven (7) and even eight (8) years at GCC with no requirements for change. I am proud of these achievements and confident that I left GCC a better place for our community. I respectfully ask for your support in confirming my nomination to the

board. My experience and dedication position me to help the Port Authority of Guam fulfill its crucial mission to our island's future. *Si Yu'us Ma'ase!*

SENATOR JESSE A. LUJAN, CHAIRPERSON: Thank you, Mr. Arriola. Before we ask – continue with testimonies, we need some clarification on some dates here. And the vice speaker has some questions on some dates here. Just real quick.

VICE SPEAKER TONY ADA: Thank you, Mr. Chair. Just before we continue with your confirmation hearing. You know, I see that your application was dated March 26, but you weren't appointed until April 1.

FRANK P. ARRIOLA, APPOINTEE: Are you talking about GVB?

VICE SPEAKER TONY ADA: No. Port Authority.

FRANK P. ARRIOLA, APPOINTEE: Port Authority?

VICE SPEAKER TONY ADA: Yes. So how is it that we apply for a position before we're appointed to it?

FRANK P. ARRIOLA, APPOINTEE: Oh, we didn't.

VICE SPEAKER TONY ADA: Pardon?

FRANK P. ARRIOLA, APPOINTEE: You said I applied for a position at the Port Authority?

VICE SPEAKER TONY ADA: Yeah. No. There's your packet. Your application is dated March 26th.

FRANK P. ARRIOLA, APPOINTEE: Okay.

VICE SPEAKER TONY ADA: But you weren't appointed until April 1st.

[UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER]: Oh, for the port.

RORY RESPICIO, GENERAL MANAGER, PAG: Well, I think the best way to answer that, Senator, is there a vacancy existed and so the governor reached out to see from who in the community would be interested in this position. So what he submitted was his application so that governor's office can do their due diligence to make sure he meets the statutory requirements and he's suitable.

FRANK P. ARRIOLA, APPOINTEE: Correct for the compliance.

RORY RESPICIO, GENERAL MANAGER, PAG: I think that's how I would answer that.

VICE SPEAKER TONY ADA: Yeah. Okay. Because when then we also have the clearances that were dated March 13th. Way prior to the—

FRANK P. ARRIOLA, APPOINTEE: Yeah. Part of the reason is I knew I was taken on a board position at the GVB and in the process I was — it was communicated that there may be some interest in other poor op boards and so that is why I started that process early. (*inaudible speaking*) Court clearance. Yes.

VICE SPEAKER TONY ADA: So this is not an original — this is not an original certification then. Am I correct?

FRANK P. ARRIOLA, APPOINTEE: Yes.

VICE SPEAKER TONY ADA: No, it's not. Because you have to turn in the original to the board that you applied for. You only get one original, right?

FRANK P. ARRIOLA, APPOINTEE: Oh, yes, that's the original. We went ahead and did an additional.

VICE SPEAKER TONY ADA: So that's what I'm saying. Is this the same – is this the same document that you submitted for the GVB position?

FRANK P. ARRIOLA, APPOINTEE: No.

VICE SPEAKER TONY ADA: You just said that it was.

FRANK P. ARRIOLA, APPOINTEE: No, no, no, no. That's for the Port Authority Board. The documents. The compliant documents are for the Port Authority Board.

VICE SPEAKER TONY ADA: Okay.

FRANK P. ARRIOLA, APPOINTEE: GVB's a separate thing. GVB does all of that internally.

VICE SPEAKER TONY ADA: But you didn't. Okay, I mean, let me just back this up, Mr. Chair. Your application is March 26th.

FRANK P. ARRIOLA, APPOINTEE: Okay.

VICE SPEAKER TONY ADA: Your clearance is March 6th. So?

FRANK P. ARRIOLA, APPOINTEE: Okay. I stand corrected. That is for the Guam Visitors Bureau.

VICE SPEAKER TONY ADA: So then this – this is not a clearance for this position.

FRANK P. ARRIOLA, APPOINTEE: I was told it was good for both. Yeah (*inaudible speaking*). From the front office.

VICE SPEAKER TONY ADA: Did you get two originals?

FRANK P. ARRIOLA, APPOINTEE: I think there's two originals on each. Yes. (*inaudible speaking*) Yeah, it's a clearance. It's just a clearance processor.

VICE SPEAKER TONY ADA: Because with GPD as well.

FRANK P. ARRIOLA, APPOINTEE: Yeah. Yes.

VICE SPEAKER TONY ADA: We don't have a – Mr. Chair, unless you have the originals. I don't have any originals on my documentation. Both the police clearance and court clearance. (*inaudible speaking*) Can we just take a one minute recess, Mr. Chair?

SENATOR JESSE A. LUJAN, CHAIRPERSON: Thank you. Thank you. Okay. We're hunting the – actually from the clerk's office – but I'm gonna ask. Okay. Give you twenty four (24) hours to clear this to make sure that we get the current clearances. So give you, you know, twenty four (24) hours to submit it to this Speaker as well. So please, please, please note that. (*inaudible speaking*)

VICE SPEAKER TONY ADA: Yeah. Mr. Chair, just for clarification, there's the –the current – the clearances are cleared. It's just that – it's just the date and the original.

SENATOR JESSE A. LUJAN, CHAIRPERSON: Yeah. Actually, so –

VICE SPEAKER TONY ADA: Just to make sure that we have.

SENATOR JESSE A. LUJAN, CHAIRPERSON: Okay. So we're all. We're on the same page, so.

FRANK P. ARRIOLA, APPOINTEE: Yes, sir.

SENATOR JESSE A. LUJAN, CHAIRPERSON: Okay. Okay. Yes, thank you. Thank you. Thank you very much.

COMMITTEE NOTE: Updated clearances were received and have been appended to this Committee Report.

SENATOR JESSE A. LUJAN, CHAIRPERSON: Okay. Mr. Pangelinan. Go'head.

JESSE PANGELINAN, CSP: Thank you, Chair and Senator and Vice Speaker and Senator, for having me here and for my – for providing me the opportunity to speak. My name is Jesse Pangelinan. I'm a Certified Safety Professional at CSP by the Board of Certified Safety Professionals. I have been actively, actively working in the construction industry for the past thirty five (35) years in safety project management, quality control, small business utilization, procurement and accounting for multiple large federal contractors, small business and finally with the Government of Guam for the past nine (9) years. I am writing this to highly recommend Mr. Arriola to serve as Director at the Port Authority of Guam. Mr. Arriola has shown his accomplishments in his resume with his colleagues speaking to his accomplishments. I want to share his soft skills and keep short in respect to your time. I have seen Mr. Arriola work with building owners, construction management, engineers, government agencies and contractors – keeping candid communication and cooperation to meet construction goals.

Construction goal accomplishment is by no means easily achievable. Consistent challenges surface in project execution. Mr. Arriola's work ethic, project management skills and understanding of human nature were critical to the project's success at the PacAir facility in *Tiyan*. I truly believe these skills will be important contributions to the board. Mr. Arriola is also firm and fair. I personally see this in Mr. Arriola in all his actions with family, friends and others, he is firm to his commitment to the right thing to do and fair to all involved. His firm stance on issues come from fact and reason. His passion comes through in his commitment to his principles. Good leadership requires this approach so that the staff at the Port can move forward with decisions that may be hard or unpopular, but are always made with reason and all affected in mind. You'll always want Mr. Arriola involved. Mr. Senator, your confirmation of Mr. Frank P. Arriola to serve as Director of Port Authority of Guam will be a wise decision that will surely benefit the Port Authority of Guam and its loyal and hard working employees. I respectfully urge the Committee and full Legislature to confirm Mr. Frank P. Arriola to the Port Authority of Guam Board of Directors. Again, I appreciate your time and *Si Yu'us Ma'ase* for everything.

SENATOR JESSE A. LUJAN, CHAIRPERSON: Thank you, Mr. Pangelinan. Senator Respicio.

RORY RESPICIO, GENERAL MANAGER, PAG: Uh, Mr. Chair. Maybe I defer to our Chairperson first, if that's okay. Thank you.

DOT HARRIS, CHAIRPERSON, PAG:

[\[Mrs. Harris reads into the record her submitted written testimony which has been appended to this Committee Report.\]](#)

SENATOR JESSE A. LUJAN, CHAIRPERSON: Thank you, Ms. Harris.
Senator –

RORY RESPICIO, GENERAL MANAGER, PAG: Yes, thank you.

[\[Mr. Respicio reads into the record his submitted written testimony which has been appended to this Committee Report.\]](#)

SENATOR JESSE A. LUJAN, CHAIRPERSON: Thank you, Senator.
Attorney Arriola.

ATTORNEY JAY ARRIOLA:

[\[Attorney Arriola reads into the record his submitted written testimony which has been appended to this Committee Report.\]](#)

SENATOR JESSE A. LUJAN, CHAIRPERSON: Thank you very much, Attorney Arriola – and you're absolutely right with that because I – I still have some vacancies in – in the agencies that I oversee and it's very hard to get people to, I mean, it's just, you know, they said I want to be able to sleep at night without worrying about anything else. But again, thank you for your, your testimony. So on. And thank you, Frank, again, for, for stepping up to, to the plate and congratulations I think, for taking on this position position as well again. But let me, let me ask you a few questions before I turn over to my colleagues. And the good thing about the board that you're entering is I not only do I have oversight of the Port Authority, but also of the Guam Visitors Bureau and the Airport Authority. But I would be remiss if I didn't ask you this question because I stated in the very first day of my taking the helm of these agencies, I said I need the, the Guam Visitors Bureau, the Port Authority Guam and GIAA to be in constant collaboration because these are the challenges that we face at this point. And I attend all their meetings. Of course, the GVB meeting, not, not just myself, my, my chief of staff as well. And, and the Port Authority, it's either in zoom or face to face. But I would be remiss if I didn't ask you this. The challenges that we have

from the Guam Visitors Bureau and working in conjunction as well with the Airport Authority with the challenges that they have as well. But we need full attention as well to what's happening down at the Port Authority of Guam. You see yourself being divided into that and are you still committed? Can, would your time allow you again to give your undivided attention as well to be, being a board member down at the Port Authority, knowing that again, you, you know, you have a, you know, heavy burden with the Guam Visitors Bureau, likewise with GIAA.

FRANK P. ARRIOLA, APPOINTEE: That's a good question, Senator. Maybe I can point back to my time at GCC. I was on the board for 17 years. That's the board of trustees seven of those years as a chairman. And whenever you hold a position of chairman, you're spending a lot of time with the institution. And so work life, family life, and then also my service life with the board, it's a matter of planning. And through, through the years, I've been able to do it with support from the family, with support from my employer, and then with support from the community to be successful. So I'm going to use the same plan with the Port Authority while I'm at GVB. At GVB, we just finished. Within the last 30 days, we had a typhoon. We were preparing for our signature event, which we had over 700 participants coming in. We had to plan for them to get on an airplane on Sunday just in case the flights weren't coming out. And then we went straight into recovery. What tourists are still around that are stranded? The answer was zero. We had a couple that maybe checked out of their hotels a little early, but based off of, you know, past storms and past events, it's planning. And so that's, that's what I'm going to bring to this board as far as my time. I'm committed. Committed to serve this board and work with existing management and the employees to be successful.

SENATOR JESSE A. LUJAN, CHAIRPERSON: Well, thank, thank you for that as well. Because it's one of the things that, working closely with, with the Port Authority as well, is we want to be able to, to again, strengthen and, and bring in more cruise ships, you know, tourism there. And it's great that you're also part of GVB. You're the deputy general manager over there as well. And, and so it works

out. I mean, looks like the stars are aligned at this point. But thank you for that and thank you again during the storm for keeping in constant communication with our office. This is what's happening with the, with tourists that were stranded and working closely with the Guam Airport Authority and again, also with the Port Authority, and because people were calling us as to when are you guys going to be in operation? Were the ships. Because their shells were running low and all that. But thank you for that and for the men and women and all these entities that were able to work collaboratively to get things going. But thank you for that. What do you think? What do you think the port's greatest strength and its weaknesses at this point and from what you saw as being down there in the past and maybe in work in the past few weeks with collaboration with the general manager?

FRANK P. ARRIOLA, APPOINTEE: Well, I got to tell you, it's, it's people, it's the people that make up the Port Authority of Guam. And the people aren't successful unless they have support for management and the board. So I think that's the strength right now is you have, you know, you have a mixture of employees that have been working for 20 to 30 years and then they're training the younger ones to deal with emergencies, to deal with typhoon recovery, to get the island. The Port Authority is the bloodline of the island. I'm sure you guys have heard that, you know, for years. And that just doesn't happen. It's training, it's working with your resources, which we know the Port Authority does not have. There's a lot of resources that it needs to be provided. And then I'd say the weakness, the primary weakness is infrastructure. We talked earlier about the gantry and it's not just the gantry that the cranes are bringing in. You're going to have to bring in new rail systems for it. You're going to have to take a look at the wharf, what improvements, infrastructure is needed. I work down at Matson, so I know everything, everything about that port. After a storm, what happens to debris underwater? Do we have the, the right depth to bring in these ships? You know, we talk about cruise lining ships. We want to bring in the bigger ones. We have to make sure that, that, that issue, the infrastructure issue is addressed.

SENATOR JESSE A. LUJAN, CHAIRPERSON: You know, one of, one of the things that concerns me as well and I've talked to the port board and also the general manager regarding this and looking at the transshipment hub, I mean we see what we did or doing with the airport as well. With a 50 year lease, the Port Authority right now is up to 15 I think if I'm not mistaken. Right. And one of the things that we're looking at, you know, and we want to turn the port into a transshipment hub as well, you know, cargo shipment hub. But the problem is, is that, you know, we lack the real estate. Yeah, real estate. What is, what is your, your idea? Can you give me some ideas that, that you may have for the Port Authority to improve Guam's resiliency and also capitalizing in the port strengths as serving as a transitment hub for, for this region?

FRANK P. ARRIOLA, APPOINTEE: Well, Chairman, the just this past typhoon showed when the rocks came on the road, it shut down the Port Authority and we, meaning the island community had limited access to fuel. Thank, thank God for their experience and everything that they were able to clear it up and went back to. But I think we should take a look at the properties nearby. Cabras 3 and 4 is retired. And I believe that property fits within the zoning that we need to maybe construct these type of facilities. Maybe we look and approach these guys about fuel storage outside of the Port Authority having a, and there are pipelines that are available that go from the main island into the Port Authority. So I think there's opportunities there. And then as far as transshipment I helped build that cargo facility up there. They won't come unless the facilities are there. And so I think one of the things that the Port Authority needs they have a master plan. It's support in order for us to. To build the infrastructure that we need to bring business in.

SENATOR JESSE A. LUJAN, CHAIRPERSON: Well, one of the things also because I have oversight in utilities as well. GTA and, and Waterworks, right. And I know the Okkodo plan. They can burn alternative, they can burn LNG (liquefied natural gas). The problem with that is we don't bring in LNG basically right. And we don't have storage for that. I know that I've spoken, actually the, the port board

as well as general manager and the Coast Guard, they were, they were saying that at least designated area where they, they're looking at possible storage that that would be, that would be too dangerous for a storage component component because of their proximity to, to the Navy. The Navy the Navy base.

FRANK P. ARRIOLA, APPOINTEE: I think that it should be revisited. Times have changed probably from when they made that type of announcement. As long as the you know the main things that you look at compliance we look at environmental impacts and then we take a look at what is required in order for us to provide that, that service. Is it, is it construction? Is it expanding into other areas? I know that fuel comes in through the Golf, F1 also? And Foxtrot. So there are a number of ways. I mean we saw it before. We saw a pier that was strictly used for fisheries get converted over into ship repair facility. So we, we at the Port Authority have the know how it's it providing the, the funding and the experience and the infrastructure to get it done.

SENATOR JESSE A. LUJAN, CHAIRPERSON: Well, let me ask this as well. Okay. Because you know national security is big. Very very big. Right. But entrance to the port is not secured at this point. What are your ideas in regards to security? Because at some point I mean all indications are again that you know that's the main target down there. Not only you know for food source commercial stuff but the proximity to the base where all the you know, warships are at this point. So that, and you know, you only have you know your same entrances, your same exit to the Port Authority. So what do you, what, what are your ideas in regards to security measures?

FRANK P. ARRIOLA, APPOINTEE: Well, I think they can establish a entrance closer to the road through Route 1 or Marine Corps Drive, that, that could also be established.

SENATOR JESSE A. LUJAN, CHAIRPERSON: Is that all port property?

RORY RESPICIO, GENERAL MANAGER, PAG: You're probably talking about the area where GPA is at. Cabras.

SENATOR JESSE A. LUJAN, CHAIRPERSON: Yeah, but, but we also have the USO that has. What happened to the USO? Because I, I heard it was supposed to go. Go back to the local government. Yeah, but I think it's still stalled with the military. Right?

RORY RESPICIO, GENERAL MANAGER, PAG: Yeah, we, we believe that the, the plan for that is when it's turned over to the government of Guam, it's going to be transferred over to the Piti Mayor. That's the last thing we heard about that USO property.

SENATOR JESSE A. LUJAN, CHAIRPERSON: Okay.

RORY RESPICIO, GENERAL MANAGER, PAG: But the property right next to the Emerald Lake, across the Cabras, that's port property. And everything else inside, inland is port property.

DOT HARRIS, CHAIRPERSON, PAG: Mr. Speaker, the, the thoroughfare that leads into the Port Authority belong, It falls under the jurisdiction of the Department of Public Works. And I remember very early on when we were looking at security measures, port security, specifically that we, we really did want to have controlled access along Route 11A, to the point where we even set up a sentry, a portable sentry for our port police to man and operate. And unfortunately, you know, because that didn't, that roadway didn't fall under our jurisdiction, we didn't have the control. We didn't have the. We couldn't do that. We couldn't block access of a established public roadway. And, but I certainly hear your concerns regarding port security. We, we have always been, you know, the number one where we do

scenarios or exercises and what's going to bring down the territory of Guam. The economy is always at the port. I mean, I certainly share your concern.

SENATOR JESSE A. LUJAN, CHAIRPERSON: Well, we have actually, we have the DPW oversight chair here as the Vice Speaker.

DOT HARRIS, CHAIRPERSON, PAG: Yeah.

SENATOR JESSE A. LUJAN, CHAIRPERSON: So I think maybe we can arrange a sit down and a roundtable and likewise maybe with GPA to see what we can come up with in regards to the properties that are down there and, and for security measures. And then looking at that area down there also that Emerald Valley, because, you know, I mean, that's something. You got a lot of tourists down there as well, so there's no reason.

FRANK P. ARRIOLA, APPOINTEE: One of our top visited sites on the island.

SENATOR JESSE A. LUJAN, CHAIRPERSON: Yes. So there's no reason why we can't, you know, I mean, you know, I know I was approached by, I think, a private investor as to possibly building that out. And I said, well, that's port property. You have some work something out with, with the port authority. I hope that's that again. And I don't know if that will fall under the dollar for dollar offset that we give you guys down there, but I mean, is there something being planned for that?

RORY RESPICIO, GENERAL MANAGER, PAG: It won't fall under the dollar for dollar offset, but I could tell you that that individual is in active discussions with the commercial division and legal. And hopefully this is a matter that could be brought to the board at the next board meeting to entertain that proposal. So the idea is to. So we can't block public access to entrances to beaches.

But the idea is to have a raised platform, have a coffee shop, and there's going to be some significant investment on the investor's part in exchange for at least that's comparable to that kind of investment. So what they were waiting for is a letter from Guam Power Authority because GPA controls the channel. Because the channel is used to cool down the, the generators. Right. So my conversations with John Benavente, he said GPA was not opposed to any kind of activity as such. So.

SENATOR JESSE A. LUJAN, CHAIRPERSON: Okay, let's just make sure that everything, you know, is legal.

RORY RESPICIO, GENERAL MANAGER, PAG: Well no swimming, no wading in the channel for obvious reasons. But GPA is supportive of that proposal.

SENATOR JESSE A. LUJAN, CHAIRPERSON: They're in support of that? Okay, and you said that you're possibly looking at that in the next board meeting?

RORY RESPICIO, GENERAL MANAGER, PAG: Correct. The May board meeting for the, for the board of directors to memorialize the possibility of a lease.

SENATOR JESSE A. LUJAN, CHAIRPERSON: Okay, great. Fantastic. Mr. Arriola, again. And how do you view the port's role in this military coordination and disaster readiness and supply chain resiliency?

FRANK P. ARRIOLA, APPOINTEE: Well, if you take a look as far back as this last typhoon and then the typhoon before that, the port authority remained open. So that cargo, specific cargo that comes in on the commercial side was able to be picked up and taken out. The limitations really at the port that I see from the outside is there isn't enough lay down area for the actual containers. The, the shippers probably do not have enough chassis so that we could have a full chassis operation. I believe they have grounded. There's a big grounded area so that messes

with their efficiency. They have to get a top load loader, pick it up, and then they drive underneath. So if, if we can also challenge our stakeholders to bring in the resources that they need, you know, as partnership, then, then we can help better service the, the military. Because it really is the. It really is the capability of the port based on how much resources they have in order to push it out. And I, I think the gantry cranes, bringing in the three new gantry cranes is going to make a huge difference. Back in the early 2000s, I remember working on these ships, we would have to release one gantry boom up, shift down to the trans shipment ship that was taking the materials that needed to go to Saipan. So how did we do it? We communicated with the actual last port we went to Oakland, said we need to do you guys to block stow all of the Guam cargo. We need it in these bays, these bays. And then we needed another so that if we needed to release one of the three cranes at the time, this is pre, this is like I said back in the 2000s, it wouldn't affect the operation. And so, so resources will drive that relationship with the military. As long as we have and we provide the right type of resources, I don't see it being an issue for this to continue to happen.

SENATOR JESSE A. LUJAN, CHAIRPERSON: Mr. Arriola, also we, we had spoken in the past as well and again, you know, economic activity as well as what industries we look at possibly coming here to Guam and we were talking about an entity that was looking at, I think it was clams or something. And, and I asked, and also I asked the, the general manager regarding, you know, what was happening down at the, the harbor of Refuge and maybe that could be an entity that we, that we could use. Can you tell us a little bit about, about that, that proposal?

FRANK P. ARRIOLA, APPOINTEE: Sure. With my Guam visitors hat on right now. We actually were approached by an organization that is interested in bringing in clams, many which are indigenous to our island too from the region and then actually using that as a sanctuary to actually increase the amount of clams we have. We looked at Tumon. Tumon is ideal. But there are certain areas where

these particular breeds need a, a depth that's deeper than what we have. And in speaking with, with our director, there are options down at the Port Authority.

SENATOR JESSE A. LUJAN, CHAIRPERSON: I think the Port Authority will be a lot better suited for that. I mean, you know, down in Tumon is too commercialized and, and I'm glad that of course the Vice Speaker had the non toxic, what is that sunblock, sunscreen, sun sunscreens and all, all that. Right. But I, I would doubt that, you know, they would probably thrive down that area because it's too commercially used.

FRANK P. ARRIOLA, APPOINTEE: Yes.

SENATOR JESSE A. LUJAN, CHAIRPERSON: But down at the harbor of Refuge you have a, a place there where you, I mean I'm sure you know, the, the clams would, would need the, yeah, to strive on, you know, on seawater. Right. Yeah.

FRANK P. ARRIOLA, APPOINTEE: So sir, from the GVB with my GVB hat on.

SENATOR JESSE A. LUJAN, CHAIRPERSON: Yeah.

FRANK P. ARRIOLA, APPOINTEE: Improving the destination is one of our key objectives. We have our marketing arm going out to the different markets and new markets saying come to Guam. But we also need to take care of our island, not only just for the tourists, but for our, for our people. And so items like bringing that in will help improve our product.

SENATOR JESSE A. LUJAN, CHAIRPERSON: Yeah. Yeah. What's currently happening in the harbor of refuge. I mean, I know that used to be to

thrive with, with the tourist industry and all that. And I mean are they still, are they still down there?

RORY RESPICIO, GENERAL MANAGER, PAG: Yeah, there's some live aboards there too. Residents that live on the small vessels. But in, in based on what you're saying regarding that coral and probably a good place for them for those corals is. I mean the clams, is we recently had a project with the port. Had to do an environmental assessment for. To prepare HWAR for that. So there was about 800 species of coral that were relocated in that area to Dog Lake Pier. And the survivability percentage is well over 50% of all those coral relocated. So I, you know, we could put Mr. Arriola in contact with, with the, with the company, with Agriculture, but also with the Duenas and Associates. They were the ones who took the lead on the preparation for the environmental assessment. So we can start those discussions immediately.

SENATOR JESSE A. LUJAN, CHAIRPERSON: Okay great. Yeah. And I mean, yes, I mean there are a lot of opportunities and I know Senator Guamtaotao, we just passed a bill to extend out the, the land that, that was designated for CQA. Was that for another three years? Three years. So hopefully we get, we get the money and they'll be able to, to build the facility, start on groundbreaking that facility down there. There are a lot of opportunities down there, but also we know that they, you guys lack the real estate to..

RORY RESPICIO, GENERAL MANAGER, PAG: So Mr. Chairman, what's, what's been missing in that conversation with the whole customs inspector inspection facility is it was a port through our master plan update that provided the feasibility study so customs can go out and publicly say in writing and through a study what their intent is. And so it was the same study that Congressman Moylan used to secure the \$2 million grant that Guam's going to receive for the A&E. So the port's always been a partner in drug interdiction, in border security. And if you have to extend the timeline because the original law said somewhere within port

property and it gave a five year timeline. So when we came in it was one of the issues that we addressed in the transition report. And we told the incoming administration that the management of the board will, would determine a site within 30 days when the new administration sits. And so sure enough, within the first 30 days we identified that area next to the weight station. Previously they want, Customs wanted it to be inside the terminal yard. You can't have four acres inside the terminal yard. The past administration wanted it somewhere across GPA on the Piti side where it's going to be outside the sterile environment. Right. So we identified that area. There's still work that needs to be done through the support of federal highway to connect that road from the terminal yard into that four acre property. It's a really good plan that'll work. And if you pull in all the other federal agencies that have the mandate to inspect containers and do all the drug interdiction, you can pull all those resources and it's enough funding to sustain that kind of operation. And so we support it. We continue to support those efforts. The board is supported.

SENATOR JESSE A. LUJAN, CHAIRPERSON: And thank you. One last question. Can you give the committee again an update on since we passed and the governor signed the law, the dollar for dollar offset with black and the, the currently, what, what has happened and what improvements so far?

RORY RESPICIO, GENERAL MANAGER, PAG: Yeah, we want to, yeah, we want to thank you and your colleagues for that very innovative program. And that program is available for audit at any given time. And that's how we are. And so the process provides that it has to be approved by the board. It has to be a benefit to the port, port operations or the community. And so in the case of black construction, the four year lease that netted the port ten and a half billion dollars in rental income for four years, they were saying that our rates are too high, but our rates are what the statute provides. And so you came up with this working with administration, this very innovative approach to dollar for dollar offset. You, you didn't go in and reduce the, the rent, you kept this, you preserved the statutory

SENATOR JESSE A. LUJAN, CHAIRPERSON: Yeah, yes, we do. But I like to be – but I like to be present myself as well. So with that. But, but thank you. Thank you again and thank you, Mr. Arriola, and thank you, actually, Senator and Chairman, of course, Mr. Pangelinan and Attorney Arriola. Thank you for – for being here this afternoon. The Committee will – that will conclude today's public hearing. The Committee will continue to accept written testimony within seven (7) calendar days from today, which may be addressed to Senator Jesse Anderson Lujan as Chairman of the Committee and mailed to either 163 West Chalan Santo Papa 96910, or you may also email testimonies to senator.lujan@guamlegislature.gov. This public hearing is now adjourned. It is now 3:23pm. Thank you very much.

[Committee Adjourned]

III. FINDINGS & RECOMMENDATIONS:

The Committee finds that Frank P. Arriola possesses extensive professional experience and a demonstrated commitment to public service that qualify him to serve as a member of the Board of Directors of the Port Authority of Guam. Mr. Arriola brings broad experience in logistics, transportation, project management, facilities management, insurance, real estate and business operations in both the private and public sectors. His prior work with shipping and cargo operations, including coordination with the Port Authority of Guam during his tenure with Matson Navigation Company, provides him with practical knowledge of maritime logistics, port operations and supply chain management that will strengthen the Board's oversight responsibilities.

The Committee further finds that Mr. Arriola has established a strong record of public and community service through his seventeen (17) years on the Guam Community College Board of Trustees, including seven (7) years as Chairman. During his tenure, GCC strengthened workforce development programs, expanded public-private partnerships and advanced long-term institutional planning and infrastructure improvements. This experience reflects his understanding of fiduciary responsibility, governance, accountability and strategic planning.

Testimony presented during the public hearing consistently highlighted Mr. Arriola's professionalism, integrity, collaborative leadership style and commitment to serving the people of Guam.

The Committee also recognizes Mr. Arriola's understanding of the Port Authority of Guam's critical role in economic development, military readiness, tourism, disaster response and regional supply chain resiliency. His testimony reflected support for infrastructure modernization, port security enhancements, interagency collaboration and the continued development of Guam's maritime and tourism industries, including opportunities involving cruise tourism, marina development and maritime recreation. The Committee further notes his commitment to balancing his responsibilities with the Guam Visitors Bureau and the Port Authority through active communication, planning and public service.

The Committee concludes that Frank P. Arriola's professional experience, governance background and dedication to Guam's economic and community development make him well-qualified to serve on the Board of Directors of the Port Authority of Guam. The Committee therefore reports favorably on the appointment of Frank P. Arriola to serve as a member of the Board of Directors of the Port Authority of Guam, with the recommendation to DO PASS.



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**TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF THE APPOINTMENT OF MR. FRANK ARRIOLA
AS A MEMBER OF THE PORT AUTHORITY OF GUAM BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Buenas yan Háfa Adai Mister Chairman and honorable members of the Committee.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony in strong support of the appointment of Mr. Frank Arriola as a member of the Port Authority of Guam Board of Directors.

It is my privilege to speak on behalf of a respected community leader who has consistently demonstrated dedication to public service, workforce development, and the advancement of Guam's economic future.

As a former member of the Guam Community College Board of Trustees, Mr. Arriola exemplified professionalism, integrity, and thoughtful leadership. During his service to the College, he worked collaboratively with fellow trustees, administration, faculty, and staff to strengthen educational programs and expand workforce opportunities that benefit both our students and the broader community.

Mr. Arriola understands the critical connection between workforce development, infrastructure, commerce, and economic sustainability. He recognizes that strong public institutions and strategic industry partnerships are essential to Guam's continued growth and long-term success.

Throughout his tenure at GCC, Mr. Arriola consistently demonstrated sound judgment, practical business insight, and a collaborative approach to leadership. He approached challenges with professionalism and a solutions-oriented mindset while remaining committed to serving the best interests of the community.

The Port Authority of Guam serves as one of the island's most vital economic and transportation lifelines. Its operations are critical to Guam's commerce, supply chain, infrastructure development, and overall economic stability. Service on the Board of Directors

requires individuals who possess leadership experience, accountability, strategic thinking, and a strong commitment to public service. Mr. Arriola possesses these qualities.

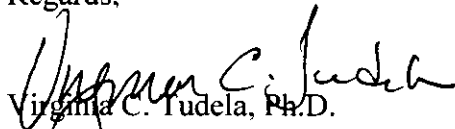
As Guam continues to address evolving economic and infrastructure demands, it is important to have leaders who understand the value of investing in local talent, strengthening workforce capacity, and supporting partnerships between education, government, and industry. GCC has long worked to prepare students for careers in transportation, logistics, construction trades, automotive technology, and other workforce sectors directly connected to Guam's economic development and infrastructure needs. Mr. Arriola has consistently supported these efforts and understands the importance of workforce readiness in sustaining Guam's future.

Most importantly, Mr. Arriola leads with humility, professionalism, and a genuine commitment to serving our island community. These qualities are essential for individuals entrusted with positions of public leadership and responsibility.

For these reasons, I respectfully and wholeheartedly support the appointment of Mr. Frank Arriola as a member of the Port Authority of Guam Board of Directors.

Si Yu'os Ma'åse' for the opportunity to testify before this Committee and the Guam Legislature.

Regards,


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