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# HOUSE PASSES FY2025 NDAA (CONFERENCE VERSION) WITH OVER $2B IN INVESTMENTS FOR GUAM

(Washington, D.C.) Late Wednesday evening, eastern time, the House of Representatives passed the conferenced version of the Fiscal Year 2025 National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA). This is the version the House and the Senate negotiated after both chambers passed their respective NDAA versions.

The passed version includes over $2.08 billion in authorizations for Department of Defense (DoD) investments in Guam for FY2025. Contained in this figure are amendments proffered by Delegate Moylan (which were also negotiated in the conference), which include authorizations for:

- $100 million for Access Roads.
- An increase of $181 million for the Guam Missile Defense, now authorized at nearly $620 million.
- $600 million for repairs of the Guam Glass Breakwater.

The NDAA also includes an additional $2 billion for future DoD projects, including $488 million for military housing advocated by Delegate Moylan, to reduce the military's need to rent from the local inventory.

"***I am excited to share that economic activity will continue to grow in 2025 as numerous projects will be out for bids for local contractors to seek subcontracting opportunities. This means many new jobs will be created, small business activities will continue to prosper, and Guam will experience surpluses in tax collections,***" stated Delegate Moylan. "***Because we were able to secure an extension in the H2B program beyond 2024 in the previous NDAA, and because of the shortage of skilled labor in Guam, we encourage the local government to seek solutions in addressing the H2B housing issues so that these projects are not severely impacted,***" added Delegate Moylan.

While Delegate Moylan's original amendment (passed in the House version of the NDAA earlier this year) authorized $140 million for access roads, the negotiated version reduced the amount to $100 million. Access roads are the outer lanes of Guam's highways, and this investment would greatly benefit both island residents and the military community.

"***While I was disappointed that the Senate reduced our initial authorization request, 100 million dollars towards improving our roads is a massive win for our community. Plus, this opens the door to seek out multi-year authorizations for the Guam access road program,***" added Delegate Moylan.

The funding for the Glass Breakwater was substantially increased from the original amendment proffered by Delegate Moylan, as the negotiated amount in the conference went from $167 million to $600 million. The breakwater is one storm away from being unable to perform its objectives, and failure to make the repairs would not only impact the cost of goods entering the port but also cause additional flooding in parts of southern Guam.

"***I am happy to see that the conference increased this request. In April of this year, the House Transportation and Infrastructure chairman visited Guam with a Congressional Delegation, and visiting the breakwater was a priority for many reasons. This funding will certainly benefit island residents while supporting the infrastructure in certain areas down south from unnecessary flooding,***" added Delegate Moylan.

Additional authorizations (non-monetary) for Guam, proffered by Delegate Moylan, were also in the passed version of the FY25 NDAA, and those will be announced shortly.

"***I am happy to see my request to increase the funding for the Guam Missile Defense remained in the final measure passed. Our top priority is ensuring our community and region are safe from foreign adversaries. I thank my colleagues, including those in the Senate, for supporting my amendment to increase the overall funding by nearly $200 million from the President's budget. The recent test was a success. However, we must continue improving the process,***" added Delegate Moylan.

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