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**§ 445. Tinian: Naming of the Kenneth Thomas Jones, Jr. Beach Park.**

The beach currently known as Kammer Beach in Tinian shall officially be renamed as “Jones Beach.”

**Source:** TLL 21-10, § 2 (Apr. 18, 2020), modified.

**Commission Comment:** In addition to severability and savings clause provisions, TLL 21-10 included the following Findings and Purpose, Dedication, and Authorization sections:

Section 1. Findings and Purpose. The Tinian & Aguiguan Legislative Delegation (TALD) finds that the Seventeenth Tinian Municipal Council (TMC) adopted Resolution No. 17TMC-003, entitled “A dedication request to the 21st Tinian & Aguiguan Legislative Delegation to officially name Jones Beach as a tribute to the life and memory of the late Kenneth Thomas Jones, Jr.,” on July 17, 2019 at its Fifth Regular Session. Mr. Kenneth Thomas Jones, Jr. (Ken Jones) was a U.S. Navy Seabee and a combat veteran of World War II in the Pacific who established various businesses in Guam and the Marianas after the war.

The TALD further finds that in the 1960s, Ken Jones established a 7,500-acre cattle ranch known as the “Bar K Ranch” in Tinian. During the Ken Jones era (1960’s and 70’s), there were over 7,000 beef cattle, 1,000 milking cows, along with thousands of hogs, pineapples, and many other crops in Tinian. The meat, produce, and milk products grown on Tinian during this time were mainly shipped to Guam to supply the United States military markets and J&G Payless supermarkets. Time and time again, Tinian has served as the bread basket of the Marianas during the Ken Jones era.

The TALD agrees with the intent of TMC Resolution No. 17TMC-003 and finds it proper and fitting to memorialize the life and memory of Kenneth Thomas Jones, Jr. for all his contributions to the people and community of Tinian and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands as outlined in the TMC resolution. Accordingly, the purpose of this legislation is to officially rename Kammer Beach in Tinian as “Jones Beach” as a tribute to the life and memory the late Kenneth Thomas Jones, Jr.

Section 3. Dedication. The Mayor of Tinian & Aguiguan shall, in consultation and coordination with the honoree’s family, prepare and carry out an official dedication ceremony befitting the intent and purpose of this legislation. The official dedication shall comport with appropriate official protocols and decorum that signifies the honor and solemnity that is consistent with the intent of 17TMC-003. The Mayor of Tinian & Aguiguan shall implement the dedication within six months following the effective date of this Act.

Section 4. Authorization. The Tinian & Aguiguan Legislative Delegation directs and authorizes the Mayor of Tinian to use his official representation allowance to purchase and install a permanent bronze plate

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bearing the name of “Jones Beach” Further, the Mayor of Tinian & Aguiguan and the Seventeenth Tinian Municipal Council are hereby officially requested to join host a light reception with the Tinian & Aguiguan Legislative Delegation on the date of the dedication ceremony. The Mayor of Tinian & Aguiguan and the Seventeenth Tinian Municipal Council are further authorized to mobilize all other resources necessary to carry out forthwith the intent and purpose of this Act.

In codifying TLL 21-10, the Commission moved the period from outside of the quotation mark to inside after the word “Beach.”