

**§ 446. Tinian: Naming of the Magdalena M. Hofschneider Tinian Head Start/Early Head Start Center.**

The Tinian Head Start/Early Head Start Center is hereby renamed the “Magdalena M. Hofschneider Tinian Head Start/Early Head Start Center” in recognition and appreciation of her outstanding contributions to the CNMI Head Start Program and to the community of Tinian.

**Source:** PL 22-20, § 2 (June 30, 2022), modified.

**Commission Comment:** *Legislative Findings of 2022 Legislation.*— In addition to severability and savings clause provisions, PL 22-20 included the following Findings and Purpose section:

Section 1. Findings and Purpose. The Legislature finds that Magdalena Muna Manglona Hofschneider selflessly served over 20 years in educating the youth of Tinian, which all began in 1954 when she was hired as a Classroom Teacher for the Tinian Public School where she diligently served for several years. When her life was blessed with little ones of her own, Ms. Hofschneider took a break from her teaching career to prioritize her growing family.

The Legislature further finds that in the Summer of 1970, when the Northern Mariana Islands were still under the political wing of the U.S. Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands, a great opportunity rose for these islands under the National Head Start Program, to which Ms. Hofschneider applied for and was sent to Saipan for training. It was during the workshop training that Ms. Hofschneider was designated as the Head Start Coordinator for Tinian by the prominent educator and Head Start Director, Ms. Joaquina M. Rabauliman. Ms. Hofschneider was tasked with the responsibility of securing a facility for the program on Tinian. Therefore, after returning to Tinian, the initial pilot program for the Summer Head Start Program was conducted at the Tinian Public School Facility.

Furthermore, Ms. Hofschneider worked diligently with the former Tinian Mayor, the Honorable Jose R. Cruz, to secure a vacant building that was once used as a chapel to be renovated on time to initiate the pilot program for the implementation of a regular school year Head Start Program in 1970. Not long after, with the assistance of a group of Navy Seabees that arrived on Tinian, a new building was constructed consisting of two classrooms, an office, kitchen, storage unit and restrooms. This facility housed the Tinian Head Start Program for many years until a new facility was constructed on the campus grounds of the Tinian Elementary School where the program continues to serve the youth today.

The Legislature finds that Ms. Hofschneider has contributed many years to serving the needs of the young minds of her community. Despite the challenges that came along this journey, the gratification of witnessing young residents grow and mature into members that now serve their community fueled the drive and passion of Ms. Hofschneider as an educator. Therefore, the purpose of this Act is to honor Magdalena M.

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**TITLE 1:  
GENERAL PROVISIONS**

Hofschneider's selfless and outstanding contributions to the CNMI Head Start Program for the Second Senatorial District by renaming the Tinian Head Start/Early Head Start Center the "Magdalena M. Hofschneider Tinian Head Start/Early Head Start Center".

*Modifications.*— In codifying PL 22-20, the Commission numbered this section, pursuant to 1 CMC § 3806(a).