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July 2, 2021

Pursuant to the House Rules of Procedures and the authority under the NMI Constitution, the Speaker of the House of Representatives announces that the House of Representatives of the Twenty-Second Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature will convene the following open and public meeting:

Meeting: House of Representatives First Day, Fourth Special Session

Date and Time: Tuesday, July 6, 2021, at 2:00 PM

Location: House Chamber, Honorable Jesus P. Mafnas Memorial

Building, Capitol Hill

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TWENTY-SECOND NORTHERN MARIANAS COMMONWEALTH LEGISLATURE Honorable Jesus P. Mafnas Memorial Building

P. O. BOX 500586 Saipan, MP 96950

EDMUND SABLAN VILLAGOMEZ SPEAKER

MEMORANDUM

DATE : 28 June 2021

TO : ALL HOUSE MEMBERS

FROM : Speaker Edmund S. Villagomez

SUBJECT: Call for Session, 1st Day, 4th Special Session

Pursuant to the House Rules of Procedure and the authority vested in me under the NMI Constitution, I hereby call for the 1st Day, 4th Special Session for Tuesday, 06 July 2021 at 2:00 p.m. in the House Chamber.

cc: Senate President House Clerk Acting LB Director SAPLR Media

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SESSION DAY	CALENDAR DAY	TIME
1st Day, Fourth Special Session	Tuesday, July 6, 2021	2:00 p.m.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

A Moment of Silence

- 1. ROLL CALL
- 2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

3. **ADOPTION OF JOURNALS** -(1)

First Day, First Special Session Journal – April 23, 2021

4. INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

A. House Bills:

H. B. No. 22-72

To amend Title 6, Division 4, Chapter 1, Section 4102(d)(i) of the Commonwealth Code.

Prefiled by: REP. PATRICK H. SAN NICOLAS of Tinian, Precinct 6 (for himself, Representatives Blas Jonathan "BJ" T. Attao, Ivan A. Blanco, Joel C. Camacho, Angel A. Demapan, Joseph A. Flores, Joseph Leepan T. Guerrero, Edwin K. Propst, John Paul P. Sablan, Denita Kaipat Yangetmai, and Ralph N. Yumul)

B. House Local Bills:

H. L. B. No. 22-15

To prohibit the hunting of Micronesia Starling or *Paluman Sali* on Tinian until the Year 2025 and for other purposes.

Prefiled by: REP. PATRICK H. SAN NICOLAS of Tinian, Precinct 6 (for himself)

H. L. B. No. 22-16

To appropriate \$78,000 from revenues collected from poker fees for the Second Senatorial District; and for other purposes.

Prefiled by: REP. PATRICK H. SAN NICOLAS of Tinian, Precinct 6 (for himself)

H. L. B. No. 22-17

To appropriate \$200,092 from the Second Senatorial District Developers Infrastructure Tax Fund under Business Unit 3731; and for other purposes.

Prefiled by: REP. PATRICK H. SAN NICOLAS of Tinian, Precinct 6 (for himself

H. L. B. No. 22-18

To amend Title 10, Division 3 of the Commonwealth Code by inserting a new Chapter 15 to establish permitting requirements for aircraft and/or personal landings in the Northern Islands; and for other purposes.

Prefiled by: REP. SHEILA J. BABAUTA of Saipan, Precinct 4 (*for herself*, Representative Joel C. Camacho)

C. House Legislative Initiatives:

5. INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS

- **A.** House Resolutions:
- **B.** House Joint Resolutions:

H. J. R. No. 22-7

To honor and commend the United States Coast Guardsmen that have served the CNMI under the leadership of Admiral Karl L. Schultz.

Prefiled by: REP. EDMUND S. VILLAGOMEZ of Saipan, Precinct 3, (*for himself*, Representatives Blas Jonathan "BJ" T. Attao, and Celina R. Babauta)

H. J. R. No. 22-8

To honor and commend the Honorable Serafina Rosario King-Nabors for her dedicated service and remarkable contributions to the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

Prefiled by: REP. LEILA H.F.C. STAFFLER of Saipan, Precinct 5 (*for herself*, Representatives Blas Jonathan "BJ" T. Attao, Celina R. Babauta, Sheila J. Babauta, Ivan A. Blanco, Angel A. Demapan, Richard T. Lizama, Donald M. Manglona, Edwin K. Propst, Christina M.E. Sablan, John Paul P. Sablan, Edmund S. Villagomez, and Ralph N. Yumul)

- *C.* House Commemorative Resolutions:
- **D.** House Concurrent Resolutions:

6. MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR

GOV. COMM. 22-41: (6/18/2021) **Executive Order 2021-13** – RENEWING AUTHORITY—Order authorizing the Secretary of Finance to reprogram or transfer funds from accounts of any department, agency, office, board, commission, corporation, instrumentality or other entity of all branches of the Commonwealth Government in order to meet the threat of COVID-19.

GOV. COMM. 22-42: (6/23/2021) To the Chairperson of the Civil Service Commission re: *Equitable Adjustment to Annual Salary for Ms. Frances T. Torres-Salas.* [For info]

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GOV. COMM. 22-43: (6/25/2021) Informing the House that he signed into law, S. B. No. 22-21, HS1, (To repeal and reenact 3 CMC § 1132 to clarify that the State Board of Education has the authority to establish and amend the minimum instructional time for PSS; and for other purposes.). Became **Public Law 22-02** [For info]

GOV. COMM. 22-44: (6/25/2021) Informing the House that he signed into law, H. B. No. 22-19, HD1, (To repeal Title 4 Section 1709 of the Commonwealth Code in order to provide relief for working families by making them eligible for the Earned Income Tax Credit; and for other purposes.). Became **Public Law 22-03** [For info]

GOV. COMM. 22-45: (7/2/2021) Submitting revision to Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2022 (\$98,897,301 available for appropriation). Note on Revisions: Vol. I (proposed gross budgetary resources); Vol. II (new grants received after April 1st and updated fund status as of May 31, 2021); and Vol. IV are revised to fully allocate the funds available to the Commonwealth under the American Rescue Plan. Vol III has remained unchanged. [For info]

7. **SENATE COMMUNICATIONS** – (None)

8. HOUSE COMMUNICATIONS

HSE. COMM. 22-22: (6/16/2021) From Representative Manglona informing the Speaker that he will be off-island beginning Friday, June 18, 2021 and return Monday, June 21, 2021 and request to be excused from any sessions during his absence. [For info]

HSE. COMM. 22-23: (6/23/2021) From the Speaker informing the Governor of his re-appointment of Representative Ralph N. Yumul to serve as the House of Representatives member of the State Workforce Development Board (SWDB) set forth under 29 U.S.C §3117. [For info]

HSE. COMM. 22-24: (6/16/2021) From Representative Yangetmai informing the Speaker that she will be out of the office on personal leave beginning Thursday, June 24, 2021 and returning Monday, July 21, 2021 and request to be excused from any and all official functions during her absence. [For info]

9. **COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE JUDICIAL BRANCH** – (None)

10. COMMUNICATIONS FROM DEPARTMENTS & AGENCIES

DEPT./AGCY. COMM. 22-22: (ELECTRONIC MAIL) From the Marianas Visitors Authority (MVA) submitting *Tourism Industry Update as of June 11*, 2021. [For info]

11. MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS

MISC. COMM. 22-38: (6/15/2021) From the Speaker of the 18th CNMI Youth Congress informing the House of the appointment of the Youth Congress Committee Chairs. [*For info*]

MISC. COMM. 22-39: (6/17/2021) Transmitting a certified copy of Youth Congress Bill No. 18-01, YCD2, entitled, "*To repeal and re-enact the CNMI Youth Congress Act; and for other purposes.*", which was passed by the 18th CNMI Youth Congress on June 16, 2021. [*For info*]

MISC. COMM. 22-40: (6/17/2021) Transmitting a certified copy of Youth Congress Bill No. 18-02, entitled, "To require all public schools within the CNMI: elementary, middle and high schools to

teach at least one full year of the Chamorro and/or Carolinian languages; and for other purposes.", which passed by the 18th CNMI Youth Congress on June 16, 2021. [For info]

MISC. COMM. 22-41: (6/17/2021) Transmitting a certified copy of Youth Congress Bill No. 18-03, entitled, "*To ban the use of plastic checkout bags; and for other purposes*.", which was passed by the 18th CNMI Youth Congress on June 16, 2021. [*For info*]

MISC. COMM. 22-42: (6/17/2021) Transmitting a certified copy of Youth Congress Commemorative Resolution No. 18-01, entitled, "Conveying the 18th CNMI Youth Congress' condolences to the family of the late Honorable Simeon Evangelista Taisacan, Secretary of the 17th Rota Municipal Council and honoring his career in public service.", which was adopted by the 18th CNMI Youth Congress on June 16, 2021. [For info]

MISC. COMM. 22-43: (6/21/2021) From the Northern Marians Sports Association (NMSA) submitting: FY 2020—Annual Report. [For info]

MISC. COMM. 22-44: (6/25/2021) From the Legislative Bureau and the CNMI Youth Congress submitting: FY 2021—Second Quarter Expenditure Report. [For info]

12. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES – (3)

- **S. C. R. No. 22-18:** Reporting on S. B. No. 22-26, SD1, entitled: "To amend 1 CMC § 2263 to require a special election to fill a Board of Education vacancy; to clarify when an elected member of the board must resign from his or her PSS employment; to amend 1 CMC § 6502(f); and for other purposes." *Your House Committee on Education recommends that the House pass S. B. No. 22-26, SD1 in its current form.*
- **S. C. R. No. 22-19:** Reporting on S. B. No. 22-50 entitled: "To clarify the NMTI Trustee Nominating Committee provisions by repealing and reenacting 3 CMC § 12114(a); and for other purposes." *Your House Committee on Education recommends that the House pass the bill in the form of S. B. No. 22-50, HD1.*
- **S. C. R. No. 22-20:** Reporting on H. B. No. 22-27 entitled: "To amend 4 CMC §1407(b) to remove the 15-day grace period and to provide the Division of Customs with the authority to promulgate and establish application fees for low-risk importer applicants; and for other purposes." *Your House Committee on Ways and Means recommends that the House pass the bill in the form of H. B. No. 22-27, HD1.*

13. REPORTS OF SPECIAL AND CONFERENCE COMMITTEES – (None)

14. UNFINISHED BUSINESS – (None)

15. RESOLUTION CALENDAR

Resolution	Subject	Action

16. BILL CALENDAR

Bill/Initiative	Subject	Action

17. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

18. ANNOUNCEMENTS

(ADJOURNMENT)

FIRST LEGISLATIVE DAY: 1st Legislative appearance of a local bill is on the day it is introduced.

SECOND LEGISLATIVE DAY:

H. L. B. No. 22-13 To amend Section 413 of the Saipan Zoning Law of 2013, as amended, to allow for concrete hollow block manufacturing for conditional use within "Village Commercial" zones; and for other purposes. Introduced by **REP. JOHN PAUL P. SABLAN** of Saipan, Precinct 2 (*for himself*) on June 16, 2021.

THIRD LEGISLATIVE DAY:

Appearance of Measures introduced on the House Floor during the House Session on June 16, 2021:

- H. B. No. 22-71: To amend Public Law 21-1, Section 2 to re-appropriate sixty thousand dollars (\$60,000) to the Office of the Mayor of Tinian & Aguiguan; and for other purposes. Introduced by REP. PATRICK H. SAN NICOLAS of Tinian, Precinct 6 (for himself) on June 16, 2021; subsequently moved and placed on the Bill Calendar.
- H. L. B. No. 22-11: To re-appropriate forty thousand dollars (\$40,000) allotted under Tinian Local Law 20-15, Section 2(g) to the Office of the Mayor of Tinian & Aguiguan; and for other purposes. Introduced by REP. PATRICK H. SAN NICOLAS of Tinian, Precinct 6 (for himself) on June 16, 2021.
- H. L. B. No. 22-12: To appropriate \$560,000.00 from revenues collected for the Third Senatorial District pursuant to Public Law 20-59; and for other purposes. Introduced by REP. BLAS JONATHAN "BJ" T. ATTAO of Saipan, Precinct 3 (for himself, Representatives Roy C.A. Ada, Angel A. Demapan, Joseph Leepan T. Guerrero, Richard T. Lizama, Edwin K. Propst, Christina M.E. Sablan, John Paul P. Sablan, Leila H.F.C. Staffler, Edmund S. Villagomez, Denita Kaipat Yangetmai, and Ralph N. Yumul) on June 16, 2021.
- H. L. B. No. 22-13 To amend Section 413 of the Saipan Zoning Law of 2013, as amended, to allow for concrete hollow block manufacturing for conditional use within "Village Commercial" zones; and for other purposes. Introduced by REP. JOHN PAUL P. SABLAN of Saipan, Precinct 2 (*for himself*) on June 16, 2021.
- [ADDED-6/16/2021] H. L. B. No. 22-14: To re-appropriate Sixty-Two Thousand, Nine Hundred Ninety-Six Dollars (\$62,996) under Tinian Local Law 22-2, Section 2(b); and for other purposes. Introduced by REP. PATRICK H. SAN NICOLAS of Tinian, Precinct 6 (for himself) on June 16, 2021.
- H. RES. No. 22-9: To honor and commend the United States Coast Guardsmen that have served the CNMI under the leadership of Admiral Karl L. Schultz. Introduced by REP. EDMUND S. VILLAGOMEZ of Saipan, Precinct 3, (for himself, Representatives Roy C.A. Ada; Blas Jonathan "BJ" T. Attao, Celina R. Babauta, Sheila J. Babauta, Ivan A. Blanco, Joel C. Camacho, Vicente C. Camacho, Angel A. Demapan, Joseph A. Flores, Joseph Leepan T. Guerrero, Richard T. Lizama, Donald M. Manglona, Edwin K. Propst, Christina M.E. Sablan, John Paul P. Sablan, Patrick H. San Nicolas, Leila H.F.C. Staffler, Denita Kaipat Yangetmai, and Ralph N. Yumul) on June 16, 2021; subsequently placed on the Resolution Calendar.

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