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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, Second Special Session
Date and Time: Wednesday, May 25, 2022, at 10:30 AM
Location: Rota Courthouse, Sinapalo II, Rota

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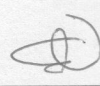
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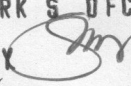
EDMUND SABLAN VILLAGOMEZ
SPEAKER

MEMORANDUM

DATE : 03 May 2022
TO : ALL HOUSE MEMBERS
FROM : Speaker Edmund S. Villagomez 
SUBJECT : Call for Session, 1st Day, 2nd 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, 2nd Special Session for Wednesday, 25 May 2022 at 10:30 a.m.** in the **Rota Courthouse, Sinapalo II, Rota.**

cc: Senate President
House Clerk
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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

TWENTY-SECOND NORTHERN MARIANAS COMMONWEALTH LEGISLATURE
SPECIAL SESSION, 2022

SESSION DAY	CALENDAR DAY	TIME
1st Day, Second Special Session	Wednesday, May 25, 2022	10:30 a.m.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

A Moment of Silence

1. ROLL CALL

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

3. ADOPTION OF JOURNALS – (2)

1st Day, First Special Session Journal – April 19, 2022

2nd Day, First Special Session Journal – April 27, 2022

4. INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

A. *House Bills:*

H. B. No. 22-102

To exempt public corporations and autonomous agencies from paying the one percent (1%) Public Auditor Fee.

Prefiled by: REP. EDMUND S. VILLAGOMEZ of Saipan, Precinct 3, (*for himself*, Representatives Blas Jonathan “BJ” T. Attao, Celina R. Babauta, Corina L. Magofna, Donald M. Manglona, Leila H.F.C. Staffler, and Ralph N. Yumul)

B. *House Local Bills:*

H. L. B. No. 22-33

To appropriate one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000.00) from the poker licensing fee account (specifically under BU 3302); and for other purposes.

Prefiled by: REP. DONALD M. MANGLONA of Rota, Precinct 7 (*for himself*)

H. L. B. No. 22-34

To appropriate one hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000.00) from the Rota Municipal Scholarship Foundation Reserve account (specifically under BU 2301); and for other purposes.

Prefiled by: REP. DONALD M. MANGLONA of Rota, Precinct 7 (*for himself*)

C. *House Legislative Initiatives:*

5. INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS

- A. *House Resolutions:*
- B. *House Joint Resolutions:*
- C. *House Commemorative Resolutions:*
- D. *House Concurrent Resolutions:*

6. MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR

GOV. COMM. 22-125: (4/20/2022) Certifying and granting approval for Mr. Henry Bautista, Highway Engineer III, at the Department of Public Works to receive an annual salary of \$70,000. [*For info*]

GOV. COMM. 22-126: (4/20/2022) Certifying and granting approval for Ms. Crystal C. Deleon Guerrero, Architect, at the Department of Public Works to receive an annual salary of \$70,000. [*For info*]

GOV. COMM. 22-127: (4/20/2022) Certifying and granting approval for Mr. Isagani C. Salazar, Highway Engineer III, at the Department of Public Works to receive an annual salary of \$70,000. [*For info*]

GOV. COMM. 22-128: (4/28/2022) Informing the House that he signed into law, H. B. No. 22-95, SS1, (*To amend the Appropriations Act of Fiscal Year 2022 (Public Law 22-08) to establish a business unit for Retirees' Bonus and to reappropriate personnel lapses within departments and line-item vetoes within Public Law 22-08 to fund the Retirees' Bonus; and for other purposes.*). Became **Public Law 22-17** [*For info*]

GOV. COMM. 22-129: (5/16/2022) Informing the House that he signed into law, H. L. B. No. 22-30, S1, (*To make limited appropriations for personnel and operations of the Tinian Casino Gaming Control Commission, the Office of the Mayor of Tinian, the Tinian Municipal Council and the Tinian Municipal Treasury for Fiscal Year 2022 pursuant to 10 CMC §2581 [Tinian Local Law 21-9] and 1 CMC §1405(a) [Public Law 11-17].*). Became **Tinian Local Law 22-07** [*For info*]

7. SENATE COMMUNICATIONS

SEN. COMM. 22-94: (4/29/2022) Transmitting a certified copy of S. J. R. NO. 22-08, entitled, "*Requesting the Governor and the Secretary of Finance to provide financial assistance to meet the increased demand of fuel costs in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands by implementing a \$500.00 fuel voucher program.*" [*For info*]

8. HOUSE COMMUNICATIONS

HSE. COMM. 22-81: (4/22/2022) From Floor Leader Ralph N. Yumul, informing the Speaker that he will be out of the Commonwealth on personal business on April 25, 2022—May 1, 2022 and request to be excused from any and all scheduled meetings or sessions during his absence. [*For info*]

HSE. COMM. 22-82: (4/27/2022) From Representative Manglona, informing the Speaker that he will be out of the Commonwealth on personal matters on April 30, 2022—May 6, 2022 and request to be excused from any and all scheduled meetings or sessions during his absence. [*For info*]

HSE. COMM. 22-83: (5/2/2022) From Representative Joel C. Camacho, informing the Speaker that he will be out of the Commonwealth on personal matters on May 9, 2022—May 16, 2022 and request to be excused from any and all scheduled meetings or sessions during his absence. [*For info*]

HSE. COMM. 22-84: (5/9/2022) From Representative Sheila J. Babauta, informing the Speaker that she will be out of the Commonwealth on official business on May 7, 2022—May 13, 2022 and request to be excused from any and all scheduled meetings or sessions during her absence. [*For info*]

9. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE JUDICIAL BRANCH – (None)

10. COMMUNICATIONS FROM DEPARTMENTS & AGENCIES

DEPT./AGCY. COMM. 22-51: (5/16/2022) From the Secretary, Department of Finance (DOF) re: *Fiscal Year 2022, Second Quarter Financial Report*. [*For info*]

DEPT./AGCY. COMM. 22-52: (5/10/2022) Resignation notice of Ms. Kina B. Peter, CNMI Public Auditor; and information of the calendar work plan for 2022 for the Office of the Public Auditor. [*For info*]

DEPT./AGCY. COMM. 22-53: (5/17/2022) From the Commonwealth Utilities Corporation (CUC) submitting *CUC's FY 2022—Second Quarter Expenditure Report*. [*For info*]

DEPT./AGCY. COMM. 22-54: (5/11/2022)) From the Marianas Visitors Authority (MVA) submitting *FY 2021—Fourth Quarter Report*. [*For info*]

DEPT./AGCY. COMM. 22-55: (5/19/2022)) From the Marianas Visitors Authority (MVA) submitting *FY 2022—First Quarter Report*. [*For info*]

DEPT./AGCY. COMM. 22-56: (5/19/2022) From the Marianas Visitors Authority (MVA) submitting *FY 2022—Second Quarter Report*. [*For info*]

11. MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS

MISC. COMM. 22-116: (4/29/2022) OFF ISLAND NOTICE & DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY—of Senator Hofschneider, Presiding Hearing Officer delegating Senator Victor B. Hocog as Acting Presiding Hearing Officer from May 1, 2022—May 12, 2022. [*For info*]

MISC. COMM. 22-117: (5/4/2022) Transmitting a certified copy of TALD Commemorative Resolution No. 22-2, entitled, “*To memorialize the esteemed and honorable life of the late Jose Pangelinan San Nicolas and to acknowledge his years of honorable service to the people of the Tinian and his contributions to the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.*”, which was adopted by the Tinian and Aguiguan Legislative Delegation on April 27, 2022. [*For info*]

MISC. COMM. 22-118: (5/4/2022) Transmitting a certified copy of TALD Resolution No. 22-7, entitled, “*To commemorate the distinguished and honorable life of the late Jose Ada Hocog and to recognize his years of honorable service to the people of Tinian and his contributions to the*

Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.”, which was adopted by the Tinian and Aguiguan Legislative Delegation on April 27, 2022. [For info]

12. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES – (3)

S. C. R. No. 22-45: Reporting on the appointment of Mr. Oscar Patrick Quitugua to serve as member of the Public Utilities Commission representing the First Senatorial District. *Your Committee on Public Utilities, Transportation, and Communications recommends confirmation of Mr. Quitugua’s appointment.*

S. C. R. No. 22-46: Reporting on the appointment of Mr. Ramon S. Basa to serve as member of the Public Utilities Commission representing the Third Senatorial District. *Your Committee on Public Utilities, Transportation, and Communications recommends confirmation of Mr. Basa’s appointment.*

S. C. R. No. 22-47: Reporting on H. B. No. 22-77 entitled: “To establish the CNMI Qualified Medical Travel Assistance Program or MTAP; and for other purposes.” *Your Committee on Health and Welfare recommends that the House pass the bill in the form of H. B. No. 22-77, HSI.*

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:

THIRD LEGISLATIVE DAY:

*Appearance of Measures introduced on the House Floor during the House Session on
April 27, 2022:*

H. B. No. 22-99: To amend 1 CMC, Division 6. Elections specifically §§6213, 6222, 6521(a), 6524(a) and 6528(f) of the Commonwealth Code; and for other purposes. Introduced by REP. BLAS JONATHAN “BJ” T. ATTAO of Saipan, Precinct 3 (*for himself*, Representatives Joel C. Camacho, Richard T. Lizama, Christina M.E. Sablan, Leila H.F.C. Staffler, Edmund S. Villagomez, and Ralph N. Yumul) on April 27, 2022; subsequently referred to the House Committee on Judiciary and Governmental Operations.

H. B. No. 22-100: To further enable recruitment, retention, and appropriate classification and compensation of Medicaid personnel; and for other purposes. Introduced by REP. LEILA H.F.C. STAFFLER of Saipan, Precinct 5 (*for herself*, Representatives Celina R. Babauta, Corina L. Magofna, Donald M. Manglona, Christina M.E. Sablan, and Ralph N. Yumul) on April 27, 2022; subsequently referred to the House Committee on Health and Welfare.

H. B. No. 22-101: To provide a tax incentive for business entities that hire qualified ex-offenders; and for other purposes. Introduced by REP. ANGEL A. DEMAPAN of Saipan, Precinct 1 (*for himself, and Representative Roy C.A. Ada*) on April 27, 2022; subsequently referred to House Committee on Ways and Means.

H. L. B. No. 22-32: To re-appropriate One Thousand, Sixteen Dollars (\$1,016.00) allotted under Saipan Local Law 19-2, specifically under Business Unit 3400X; Twelve Dollars (\$12.00) allotted under Saipan Local Law 19-2, specifically under Business Unit 3500A; Sixteen Thousand Dollars (\$16,000.00) allotted under Saipan Local Law 19-24, specifically under Business Unit 71771; Thirteen Thousand, One Hundred Seventy-Three Dollars (\$13,173.00) allotted under Saipan Local Law 20-04, specifically under Business Unit 3754; Forty-Two Thousand, Fifty-Nine Dollars (\$42,059.00) allotted under Saipan Local Law 20-26, specifically under Business Unit 7190B; and Seventy-Nine Thousand, One Hundred Seventy-One Dollars (\$79,171.00) allotted under Saipan Local Law 20-26, specifically under Business Unit 7186X; and for other purposes. Introduced by REP. ANGEL A. DEMAPAN of Saipan, Precinct 1 (*for himself*, Representatives Joseph A. Flores, and Joseph Leepan T. Guerrero) on April 27, 2022.

H. RES. NO. 22-18: To recognize Community College Month in the month of April and to commend the Northern Marianas College for the reaffirmation of its accreditation for a historic eight-year term and its contributions to the workforce development needs of the Commonwealth. Introduced by REP. LEILA H.F.C. STAFFLER of Saipan, Precinct 5 (*for herself, Representatives Roy C.A. Ada, Blas Jonathan “BJ” T. Attao, Celina R. Babauta, Joel C. Camacho, Vicente C. Camacho, Angel A. Demapan, Joseph A. Flores, Joseph Leepan T. Guerrero, Richard T. Lizama, Corina L. Magofna, Donald M. Manglona, Edwin K. Propst, Christina M.E. Sablan, Patrick H. San Nicolas, Edmund S. Villagomez, Denita Kaipat Yangetmai, and Ralph N. Yumul*) on April 27, 2022; subsequently placed on the Resolution Calendar.

H. RES. NO. 22-19: To honor Mrs. Aiko Mihara for reaching the delightful age of 100 years old. Introduced by REP. LEILA H.F.C. STAFFLER of Saipan, Precinct 5 (*for herself, Representatives Roy C.A. Ada, Blas Jonathan “BJ” T. Attao, Celina R. Babauta, Joel C. Camacho, Vicente C. Camacho, Angel A. Demapan, Joseph A. Flores, Joseph Leepan T. Guerrero, Richard T. Lizama, Corina L. Magofna, Donald M. Manglona, Edwin K. Propst, Christina M.E. Sablan, Patrick H. San Nicolas, Edmund S. Villagomez, Denita Kaipat Yangetmai, and Ralph N. Yumul*) on April 27, 2022; subsequently placed on the Resolution Calendar.

House information on deadlines for override: