



Saipan & Northern Islands Legislative Delegation
Third Senatorial District
Twenty-Third Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature
P.O. Box 500586
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MEMORANDUM

Date: March 28, 2024

To: All 23rd SNILD Members

From: Acting Chairman Roman C. Benavente

Subject: Call for Session – 1st Day, First Special Session, 2024

Pursuant to the Open Government Act (1 CMC §9901 et seq) I, hereby call for the Saipan & Northern Islands Legislative Delegation to meet in session for its, **First Day, First Special Session on Friday, April 5, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. in the House Chamber, Honorable Jesus P. Mafnas Memorial Building, Capitol Hill, Saipan.**

The presence of all members of the Delegation at this very important session is respectfully requested.

cc:	Senate President	LB Director	SNI Municipal Council	House & Senate Clerks
	Speaker of the House	SAPLRO	Legislative Assistants	Sergeant-At-Arms
	Chairman, TALD	Mayor of Saipan	Legal Counsels	MEDIA
	Chairman, RLD	Mayor of Northern Islands	LB Admin. Officer	



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Pursuant to the Open Government Act (1 CMC §9901 et seq.), the Honorable Roman C. Benavente, Acting Chairman of the Saipan and Northern Islands Legislative Delegation of the Twenty-Third Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature announces that the Delegation will convene the following open and public meeting:

Meeting: 1st Day, First Special Session, 2024
Date and Time: Friday, April 5, 2024 at 10:00 a.m.
Location: House of Representatives Chamber
Honorable Jesus P. Mafnas Memorial Building

Pursuant to 1 CMC §9904, written comments on agenda items may be submitted to the Delegation Clerk's Office, Honorable Jesus P. Mafnas Memorial Building on Capitol Hill, Saipan, prior to the convening of the session oral testimony may be presented during the Delegation's session. Copies of this notice, the official session call, and the agenda have been filed in the Office of the Delegation Clerk, released to the media, and posted at the following locations:

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SAIPAN AND NORTHERN ISLANDS LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION
THIRD SENATORIAL DISTRICT
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ORDER OF BUSINESS

SESSION DAY	CALENDAR DAY	TIME
1 st Day, First Special Session	Friday, April 5, 2024	10:00 a.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Moment of Silence

- A. **ROLL CALL:**
- B. **READING AND APPROVAL OF THE JOURNAL:**
1. **SNILD Journal No. 23-11:** 1st Day, Third Regular Session - 2/7/24.
- C. **PUBLIC COMMENTS:**
- D. **INTRODUCTION OF LOCAL BILLS:**
1. **SLB NO. 23-03**, “To amend the Nuisance Abatement and Blighted Property Maintenance Act of 2018; and for other purposes.” (**Introduced by: Sen. Corina L. Magofna - See Sen. Comm. No. 23-17**)
- E. **INTRODUCTION OF LOCAL RESOLUTIONS:** None
- F. **MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR:**
1. **Gov. Comm. No. 23-35:** 2/22/24 – Signed into law **HLB 23-37, D1**, “To re-appropriate One Hundred Twenty Thousand, Five Hundred Dollars (\$120,500.00) allotted under Saipan Local Law 21-10, specifically under Project Code 7192N; One Hundred Nine Thousand, Five Hundred Seventy-Four Dollars and Ninety Cents (\$109,574.90) allotted under Saipan Local Law 22-10, specifically under Project Code 2007G; One Hundred Nine Thousand, One Hundred Fifteen Dollars (\$109,115.00) allotted under Saipan Local Law 21-17, specifically under Project Code 4963U; and One Thousand, Nine Hundred Fifty-Eight Dollars and Forty-Five Cents (\$1,958.45) allotted under Saipan Local Law 22-09,

specifically under Project Code 2007H; and for other purposes.”, into **SAIPAN LOCAL LAW NO. 23-11**.

2. **Gov. Comm. No. 23-36:** 2/22/24 – Signed into law **HLB 23-36, D1**, “To re-appropriate funds under Saipan Local Law 21-13; and for other purposes.”, into **SAIPAN LOCAL LAW NO. 23-12**.
3. **Gov. Comm. No. 23-37:** 2/26/24 – Signed into law **HLB 23-38**, “To appropriate \$600,000.00 from revenues collected for the Third Senatorial District pursuant to Saipan Local Law 22-06; and for other purposes.”, into **SAIPAN LOCAL LAW NO. 23-13**.
4. **Gov. Comm. No. 23-38:** 2/26/24 – Signed into law **HLB 23-39**, “To re-appropriate \$40,000.00 under Saipan Local Law 22-10 (Project Code 2007W); \$302,800.00 under Saipan Local Law 20-26 (Project Code 7190L); and \$920.00 under Saipan Local Law 19-18 (Project Code 3753E) for road repairs and construction of roads within Precinct IV and for the payment of street lights in Egigi Drive; and for other purposes.”, into **SAIPAN LOCAL LAW NO. 23-14**.
5. **Gov. Comm. No. 23-39:** 3/4/24 – Vetoed **HLB 23-32**, “To establish a refund program for the recycling of junk cars.”, on March 4, 2024.

G. MESSAGES FROM THE MAYORS OF SAIPAN & THE NORTHERN ISLANDS: None

H. REPORTS & COMMUNICATIONS FROM HEADS OF DEPTS./AGENCIES:

1. **Depts./Agencies Comm. No. 23-11:** 2/7/24 – From the OIC, DOC Outreach Program re Seeking your humble assistance in procuring some items necessary for the Program’s continued operation.

I. HOUSE COMMUNICATIONS:

1. **Hse. Comm. No. 23-65:** 2/2/24 – Representative Malcom J. Omar, off-island notice beginning 2/5-11/24.
2. **Hse. Comm. No. 23-66:** 2/16/24 – Representative Angelo A. Camacho, off-island notice beginning 2/17-26/24.
3. **Hse. Comm. No. 23-67:** 2/15/24 – Representative Denita Kaipat Yangetmai, off-island notice beginning 2/23-3/4/24.
4. **Hse. Comm. No. 23-68:** 2/16/24 – Representative Thomas John DLC. Manglona, off-island notice beginning 2/19-3/3/24.

5. **Hse. Comm. No. 23-69:** 2/19/24 – Representative Malcom J. Omar, off-island notice beginning 2/20-26/24.
6. **Hse. Comm. No. 23-70:** 2/26/24 – Representative Malcom J. Omar, notice of personal leave beginning 2/27-3/3/24.
7. **Hse. Comm. No. 23-71:** 2/21/24 – Speaker Edmund S. Villagomez, off-island notice and Delegation of Authority 2/24-3/3/24.
8. **Hse. Comm. No. 23-72:** 2/28/24 – Chairman John Paul P. Sablan, off-island notice beginning 2/29-3/3/24.
9. **Hse. Comm. No. 23-73:** 2/28/24 – Representative Angelo A. Camacho, off-island notice beginning 2/29-3/3/24.
10. **Hse. Comm. No. 23-74:** 2/28/24 – Representative Ralph N. Yumul, off-island notice beginning 2/29-3/3/24.
11. **Hse. Comm. No. 23-75:** 3/5/24 – Representative Manny Gregory T. Castro, off-island notice beginning 3/6-9/24.
12. **Hse. Comm. No. 23-76:** 3/8/24 – Chairman John Paul P. Sablan, off-island notice beginning 3/9-22/24.
13. **Hse. Comm. No. 23-77:** 3/13/24 – Representative Denita Kaipat Yangetmai, off-island notice beginning 3/14/24.
14. **Hse. Comm. No. 23-78:** 3/21/24 – Chairman John Paul P. Sablan, off-island notice extension 3/22/24.
15. **Hse. Comm. No. 23-79:** 3/6/24 – Representative Vincent S. Aldan, off-island notice beginning 3/7-12/24.

J. SENATE COMMUNICATIONS:

1. **Sen. Comm. No. 23-17:** 2/9/24 – Transmitting for Delegation action **SLB No. 23-03**, “To amend the Nuisance Abatement and Blighted Property Maintenance Act of 2018; and for other purposes.”

K. DELEGATION MATTERS:

1. **Del. Matters No. 23-67:** 2/7/24 – To the Honorable Governor Arnold I. Palacios re Confirmation on the appointments of Commonwealth Zoning Board Members; Ms. Charlotte P.R. Cepeda and Mr. Stephen P. Sablan.
2. **Del. Matters No. 23-68:** 2/12/24 – Soliciting comments on SLB No. 23-03 from the Office of the Mayor of Saipan, Mayor Ramon “RB” B. Camacho.
3. **Del. Matters No. 23-69:** 2/12/24 – Soliciting comments on SLB No. 23-03 from the Office of the Mayor of the Northern Islands, Mayor Valentino N. Taisacan, Jr.
4. **Del. Matters No. 23-70:** 2/12/24 – Soliciting comments on SLB No. 23-03 from the Office of the 17th Saipan & Northern Islands Municipal Council, Chairwoman Marian DLG. Tudela.

L. MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS:

1. **Misc. Comm. No. 23-90:** 2/1/24 – 17th SNIMC subject Appropriation Request.
2. **Misc. Comm. No. 23-91:** 2/2/24 – 17th SNIMC re Commenting on HLB 23-36.
3. **Misc. Comm. No. 23-92:** 1/4/24 – From NMHC Corporate Director re Commenting on HLB 23-36.
4. **Misc. Comm. No. 23-93:** 2/2/24 – From the President and Secretary of URAALI REFALUWASCH ASSOCIATION (URA) subject Request for Financial Assistance.
5. **Misc. Comm. No. 23-94:** 2/5/24 - Haggan/Woong United for Recovery re SNILD Budget Narrative.
6. **Misc. Comm. No. 23-95:** 2/6/24 – 17th SNIMC subject to Appropriation Request.
7. **Misc. Comm. No. 23-96:** 2/8/24 – CNMI State Rehabilitation Council subject to Request for Funding Support for Office of Vocational Rehabilitation.
8. **Misc. Comm. No. 23-97:** 2/12/24 – 500 SAILS subject to Request for SNILD funding for Beach Canoes Pilot Program.
9. **Misc. Comm. No. 23-98:** 2/13/24 – NMI Softball Association re Requesting for your Support in the upcoming Micronesian Games 2024.
10. **Misc. Comm. No. 23-99:** 1/30/24 – CHCC re Request for Supplemental Appropriations for the Health Network Program.

11. **Misc. Comm. No. 23-100:** 2/23/24 – Saipan Zoning Office re Notice of Text Amendment to the Saipan Zoning Law of 2013.
12. **Misc. Comm. No. 23-101:** 2/27/24 – SHEFA Annual Budget Submission.
13. **Misc. Comm. No. 23-102:** 3/18/24 – To Chairperson SNILD JGO Committee re Letter of Support for Mr. Joseph S. Rios Jr. for CNMI Cannabis Commission.
14. **Misc. Comm. No. 23-103:** 2/28/24 – From the President of Northern Marianas Athletics (NMA) re Request Funding 2024.
15. **Misc. Comm. No. 23-104:** 3/5/24 – From Chairperson, 13th FESTPAC Planning Committee re NMI FESTPAC Appropriation Request (Rev. 03/04/2024).

M. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

1. **SCR NO. 23-13:** 3/18/24 - SNILD Standing Committee on Judiciary and Governmental Operations reporting on the appointment of Joseph Santos Rios Jr. to serve as a member of the Commonwealth Cannabis Commission representing the Third Senatorial District. Your committee recommends the confirmation of Mr. Rios. (*For Adoption*)

N. REPORTS OF SPECIAL AND CONFERENCE COMMITTEES: None

O. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

P. RESOLUTION CALENDAR: None

Q. BILL CALENDAR:

First Reading

LOCAL BILL NO.	SHORT TITLE	ACTION

Second Reading

LOCAL BILL	SHORT TITLE	ACTION

R. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:

S. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

T. ADJOURNMENT.