

**NINETEENTH COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN  
MARIANA ISLANDS YOUTH CONGRESS**

5TH REGULAR Session, 2023

Y.C. Res. No. 19- 07

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**A YOUTH CONGRESS RESOLUTION**

To recognize and commend Mr. Sebastian Lifoifoi Tajibmai, Jr.  
of Kagman High School for his outstanding performance during  
the 2023 Marianas Got Talent.

1           **WHEREAS**, the Marianas Performing Arts Competition Corporation  
2 (MPACC) is a nonprofit organization that was established to showcase the  
3 musically talented local artists of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana  
4 Islands (CNMI) with a mission to showcase the three winners of the first ever  
5 Marianas Got Talent to compete and represent the CNMI on a national scale  
6 through their participation in renowned and televised singing competitions, such  
7 as: *American Idol*, *America's Got Talent*, and *The Voice*; and

8           **WHEREAS**, MPACC recently held the first Marianas Got Talent through  
9 a series of elimination rounds which concluded in November of 2023 with the top  
10 three winners: Bernice Shane Sabino, in third; Donato Santiago, in second; and  
11 Sebastian Lifoifoi Tajibmai, Jr., in first; and

12           **WHEREAS**, Sebastian Lifoifoi Tajibmai, Jr. was born on June 12, 2006 on  
13 the beautiful island of Saipan and is the proud son of Sebastian and Josephine  
14 Lifoifoi Tajibmai; and

15           **WHEREAS**, Sebastian Lifoifoi Tajibmai, Jr. is a humble son from the north  
16 side of Saipan where he was raised in a tight-knit, village community and instilled  
17 with the fundamental values of family, respect, and a deep appreciation for songs  
18 and genres that have been passed from generation to generation; and

1           **WHEREAS**, Sebastian Lifoifoi Tajibmai, Jr. is well-known for his soulful  
2           vocals, humble spirit, incorporating personal twists to covers of familiar songs, and  
3           composing original lyrics that touch the hearts of his listeners; and

4           **WHEREAS**, Sebastian Lifoifoi Tajibmai, Jr. finds contentment and joy in  
5           entertaining the community on stage alongside his brothers in their group known as  
6           Nesian Harmony, showcasing their talent at locally held music events, such as  
7           Boogie Down at Obyan Competition and multiple student-led clubs of Kagman  
8           High School sharing their talent and passion for music; and

9           **WHEREAS**, through the support of his family and friends, Sebastian  
10          Lifoifoi Tajibmai, Jr. acquired the self-confidence to stand onstage and perform  
11          before a panel of judges during the first ever Marianas Got Talent competition held  
12          on Saipan; and

13          **WHEREAS**, through his love for music, unique interpretation of the chords  
14          and originally composed songs, Sebastian Lifoifoi Tajibmai, Jr. impressed the  
15          judges, which garnered him first place in the 2023 Marianas Got Talent competition  
16          and will humbly represent the CNMI on nationally televised singing competitions  
17          in the coming months; and

18          **WHEREAS**, as a young, local musician in his prime, Sebastian Lifoifoi  
19          Tajibmai, Jr. continues to inspire young artists of the CNMI to showcase their  
20          talent, unite our community through song, and to be part of the journey in  
21          navigating the vocal talents of our people to be heard beyond the serene shores of  
22          the Marianas; and

23          **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Nineteenth  
24          Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands Youth Congress, that the Youth  
25          Congress hereby recognizes and congratulates Sebastian Lifoifoi Tajibmai, Jr. of  
26          Kagman High School for his outstanding performance and amazing talent  
27          showcased in the 2023 Marianas Got Talent; and

1           **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Sponsor of this Resolution or the  
2 designee of the Speaker of the Youth Congress shall present a certified original  
3 copy of this Youth Congress Resolution to Sebastian Lifoifoi Tajibmai, Jr.; and

4           **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Speaker of the Youth Congress  
5 shall certify, and the Youth Congress Legislative Secretary shall attest to the  
6 adoption of this resolution and thereafter shall transmit a certified copy to the  
7 Honorable Edmund S. Villagomez, Speaker of the House of Representatives (23<sup>rd</sup>  
8 Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature); Honorable Edith E. DeLeon  
9 Guerrero, President of the Senate (23<sup>rd</sup> Northern Marianas Commonwealth  
10 Legislature); the Honorable Arnold I. Palacios, Governor of the Commonwealth of  
11 the Northern Mariana Islands; and the Honorable Gregorio Kilili Camacho Sablan,  
12 CNMI Delegate to the House of Representatives (118<sup>th</sup> United States Congress).

Date: 1/08/2024

Introduced by:   
Senator Vinnie Juan Q. Sablan