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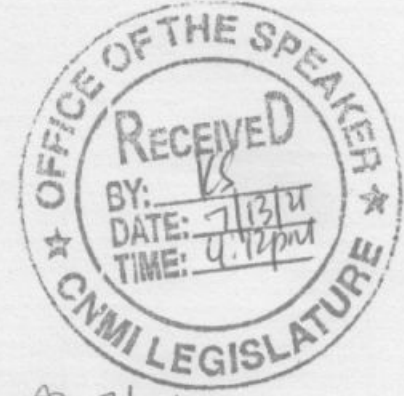
COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

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(HOUSE)

July 13, 2021

The Honorable Vinnie F. Sablan
Chairman
Saipan and Northern Islands Legislative Delegation
Twenty-Second Northern Marianas
Commonwealth Legislature
Saipan, MP 96950

The Honorable Edmund S. Villagomez
Speaker
House of Representatives
Twenty-Second Northern Marianas
Commonwealth Legislature
Saipan, MP 96950



Ⓢ 7/13/21

Dear Mr. Chairman and Mr. Speaker:

This is to inform you that I have signed into law **House Local Bill No. 22-12, D1**, entitled, ““To appropriate \$560,000.00 from revenues collected for the Third Senatorial District pursuant to Public law 20-59; and for other purposes.”, which was passed by the Saipan and Northern Islands Legislative Delegation of the Twenty-Second Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature.

This bill becomes **Saipan Local Law No. 22-05**. Copies bearing my signature are forwarded for your reference.

Sincerely,

RALPH DLG. TORRES

cc: Lt. Governor; Press Secretary; Attorney General's office; Secretary of Finance; Mayor of Saipan; Department of Public Works; Board of Parole; DFEMS; NMI Museum; NMPASI; Micronesian Legal Services, Commonwealth Women's Association; Public Auditor; Special Assistant for Administration; Special Assistant for Programs and Legislative Review

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**SAIPAN AND NORTHERN ISLANDS LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION
TWENTY-SECOND NORTHERN MARIANAS COMMONWEALTH LEGISLATURE
SECOND SPECIAL SESSION, 2021**

HOUSE LOCAL BILL NO. 22-12, D1

**A LOCAL APPROPRIATION BILL FOR AN ACT
FOR THE THIRD SENATORIAL DISTRICT**

To appropriate \$560,000.00 from revenues collected for the Third Senatorial District pursuant to Public Law 20-59; and for other purposes.

Offered by Representatives:

Blas Jonathan "BJ" T. Attao, 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 K. Yangetmai, and Ralph N. Yumul

Prefiled on June 4, 2021 and Introduced on June 16, 2021

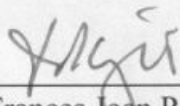
HOUSE ACTION

Transmitted to Saipan and Northern Islands Legislative Delegation for action on

June 8, 2021

DELEGATION ACTION

Referred To	: 4/20/21 - SNILD Ways & Means Committee
Comments Solicited	: 6/18/21 – DM 22-46 Mayor Apatang DM 22-47 Mayor Santos DM 22-48 Chairperson, 16 th SNIMC
Comments Received	: None
Standing Committee Report	: None
Passed First & Final Reading	: June 23, 2021



Frances Joan P. Kaipat
Delegation Clerk



SAIPAN AND NORTHERN ISLANDS LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION
Twenty-Second Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature
Third Senatorial District

SECOND SPECIAL SESSION, 2020

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE THIRD SENATORIAL DISTRICT DELEGATION PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 4, DIVISION 1, TITLE 1 OF THE COMMONWEALTH CODE:

1 **SECTION 1. PURPOSE.**

2 The purpose of this Act is to appropriate local funds from the revenues collected for the
3 Third Senatorial District pursuant to Public Law 20-59.

4 **SECTION 2. APPROPRIATION.**

5 Notwithstanding any provision(s) of law, statutes, rules or regulations to the contrary and
6 pursuant to funds allocated to the Third Senatorial District the Saipan and Northern Islands
7 Legislative Delegation (SNILD) hereby appropriates \$560,000.00 of the revenues collected for the
8 Third Senatorial District pursuant to Public Law 20-59 as follows:

9 (A) \$100,000.00 to Saipan Higher Education Financial Assistance (SHEFA) scholarship
10 program, the expenditure authority under 2(A) shall be the SHEFA Board Chairperson in
11 concurrence with the SHEFA Board;

1 (B) \$150,000.00 for the Saipan and Northern Islands Delegation (operations), expenditure
2 authority under 2(B) shall be the Chairperson of the Delegation or his/her designee;

3 (C) \$50,000.00 for the Saipan Cares for Animals for the relocation of facility and cost
4 associated to its operations;

5 (D) \$30,000.00 for the payment of the blueprint for a new fire station on the north side of
6 the island of Saipan, expenditure authority under 2(D) shall be the Commissioner of the
7 Department of Fire or his/her designee;

8 (E) \$50,000.00 for the Mayor of Saipan for the operations and Liberation Day festivities.
9 Expenditure authority under 2(E) shall be the Mayor of Saipan or his/her designee;

10 (F) \$15,000.00 for the Saipan Little League;

11 (G) \$15,000.00 for the Marianas Racing Association;

12 (H) \$20,000.00 for the Office of the Board of Parole for operations on the island of Saipan,
13 expenditure authority under 2(H) shall be Chairperson of the Board of Parole in consultation with
14 the Chief of Parole or respective designees;

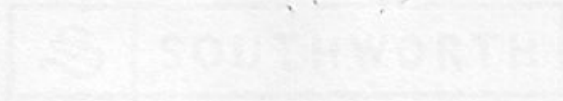
15 (I) \$15,000.00 for the Northern Mariana Islands Museum of History and Culture for its
16 operations, expenditure authority under 2(I) shall be the Director of the Northern Mariana Islands
17 Museum of History and Culture or his/her designee;

18 (J) \$25,000.00 for the Haggan/Woong United for Recovery;

19 (K) \$25,000.00 for the Northern Marianas Protection and Advocacy Systems, Inc.;

20 (L) \$10,000.00 for the Saipan Fishermen's Association;

21 (M) \$20,000.00 for the Commonwealth Women's Association; and



1 (N) \$35,000.00 for Micronesian Legal Services Corporation, for corporation services and
2 operations for the Third Senatorial District.

3 **SECTION 3. EXPENDITURE AUTHORITY.**

4 The expenditure authority for the funds under Section 2 unless specified in this Act shall
5 be the Secretary of Finance.

6 **SECTION 4. REPROGRAMMING.**

7 Funds appropriated under this act shall not be reprogrammed for any other purpose and
8 notwithstanding any provision of law, all funds appropriated under this Act shall be without fiscal
9 year limitation.

10 **SECTION 5. MANAGEMENT OF FUNDS.**

11 (A) The Secretary of Finance shall regulate and control the expenditure of the funds
12 appropriated by this Act to ensure that appropriated funds are not expended contrary to the law,
13 fiscal management policies, and practices of the Commonwealth.

14 **SECTION 6. REPORTING OF EXPENDITURES.**

15 Expenditures of the funds allocated under Section 2 of this Act shall be responsible to
16 report all expenses to the Secretary of the Department of Finance by the end of the 2021 calendar
17 year. Provided further that failure to provide all expenses entities that were afforded funds under
18 this Act shall not be able to avail to any future funds appropriated by the Saipan and Northern
19 Islands Legislative Delegation.

20 **SECTION 7. SEVERABILITY.**

21 If any provision of this Act or the application of any such provision to any person or

1 circumstance should be held invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of this Act
2 or the application of its provisions to persons or circumstances other than those to which it is held
3 invalid shall not be affected thereby.

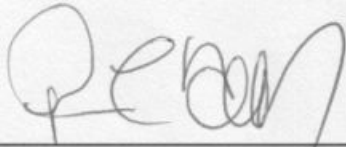
4 **SECTION 8. SAVINGS CLAUSE.**

5 This Act and any repealer contained herein shall not be construed as affecting any existing
6 right acquired under contract or acquired under statutes repealed or under any rule, regulation or
7 order adopted under the statutes. Repealers contained in this Act shall not affect any proceeding
8 instituted under or pursuant to prior law. The enactment of the Act shall not have the effect of
9 terminating, or in any way modifying, any liability, civil or criminal, which shall already be in
10 existence on the date this Act becomes effective.

11 **SECTION 9. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

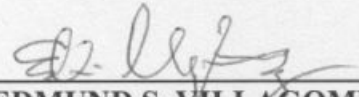
12 This Act shall take effect upon its approval by the Governor or its becoming law without
13 such approval.

CERTIFIED BY:



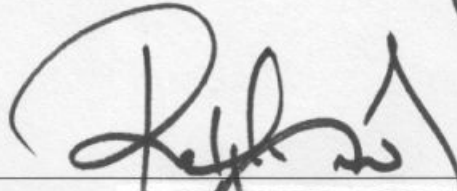
VINNIE F. SABLAN
Chairman

Saipan & Northern Islands Legislative Delegation



EDMUND S. VILLAGOMEZ
Speaker
House of Representatives

Approved on this 13th day of July, 2021.



RALPH DLG. TORRES
Governor

Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands