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David M. Apatang
Lieutenant Governor

COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

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The Honorable John Paul P. Sablan Chairman Saipan and Northern Islands Legislative Delegation Twenty- Fourth Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature Saipan, MP 96950

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

Dear Mr. Chairman and Mr. Speaker:

This is to inform you that I have signed into law **House Local Bill No. 24-8**, entitled "To appropriate the remaining fund balance of \$85,500.00 under Saipan Local Law 23-04 for the repair, maintenance and improvements of recreational facilities in Precinct IV; and for other purposes," which was passed by the Saipan and Northern Islands Legislative Delegation of the Twenty-Fourth Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature.

I caution, however, that per a certification of funds from the Department of Finance to my office, insufficient funds remain in the account in question.

A deficiency of \$1,000.00 exists between the \$84,500.00 fund balance remaining in the account for Saipan Local Law 23-04 and the \$85,500.00 appropriated by this bill.

Though I am nonetheless signing this bill into law due to the importance of this project for Precinct IV, I will instruct the Department of Finance to expend funds on this project only up to the balance remaining in the account.

This Bill becomes Saipan Local Law 24-05. Copies bearing my signature are forwarded for your reference.

Sincerely,

ARNOLD I. PALACIOS

Governor

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cc: Lieutenant Governor; Acting Special Assistant for Administration; Attorney General; Commonwealth Law Revision Commission; Public Auditor; Secretary, DOF; Secretary, DLNR; Secretary, DPW; Programs and Legislative Review Office

Good afternoon SOF and Amelia,

Here are the details regarding the HLB:

- 1. HLB 24-8: The year-to-date (YTD) Budget Report shows the HLB exceeds the account by \$1,000.00.
 - Project SL003: There is only one invoice (Voucher #: 286794) that is currently approved (\$5,500.00) as of 05/22/25.
- 2. HLB 24-12: The House Local Bill exceeds this account by \$652,622.93.
 - Project 3319 (Saipan Poker): last certified as FC429 on 06/02/25, certified at \$1,847,377.07.
- 3. **HLB 24-16**: both accounts mentioned in the HLB has the necessary funds to execute.
 - Project 7190D: The last certification was on 04/09/24
 - Project SL043: the original appropriation was \$25,000.00, with no further activity since the allocation.

Please note that entries highlighted in red indicate that the HLB exceeds the amounts available in the accounts.

Best regards,

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HLB 24-8
REQUESTED BY AMELIA SHAI

FOR 2025 99							
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GRAND TOTAL	90,000	0	90,000	5,500.00	.00	84,500.00	6.1%

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SAIPAN AND NORTHERN ISLANDS LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION THIRD SENATORIAL DISTRICT TWENTY-FOURTH NORTHERN MARIANAS COMMONWEALTH LEGISLATURE

FIRST SPECIAL SESSION, 2025

HOUSE LOCAL BILL NO. 24-8

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

To appropriate the remaining fund balance of \$85,500.00 under Saipan Local Law 23-04 for the repair, maintenance and improvements of recreational facilities in Precinct IV; and for other purposes.

OFFERED BY

Representatives Joel C. Camacho and Malcom J. Omar Introduced on April 24, 2025

HOUSE ACTION

Transmitted to Saipan and Northern Islands Legislative Delegation for action on April 25, 2025

DELEGATION ACTION

Referred to:

None

Comments Solicited:

4/25/25 Mayor of Saipan [Del. Matters 24-27]

Mayor of Northern Islands [Del. Matters 24-28]

18th SNIMC [Del. Matters 24-29]

Comments Received:

None

Standing Committee Report:

None

Passed First & Final Reading:

June 18, 2025

Baybie Sn. Hocog Acting Delegation Clerk



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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:

SECTION 1. PURPOSE.

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The purpose of this Act is to appropriate the remaining fund balance of \$85,500.00 under Saipan Local Law 23-04, Section 2(t)(1)(a) for the repair, maintenance, and improvements of recreational facilities in Precinct IV and for other purposes.

SECTION 2. RE-APPROPRIATION.

Notwithstanding any provision(s) of law, statutes, rules or regulations to the contrary and pursuant to funds allocated to the Third Senatorial District the Saipan and Northern Islands Legislative Delegation (SNILD) hereby appropriates the remaining fund balance of \$85,500.00 under Saipan Local Law 23-04, Section 2(t)(1)(a); as follows:

(A) Eighty-Five Thousand Five Hundred dollars (\$85,500.00) to the Natibu Sports

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Association in collaboration with Division of Parks and Recreation for the repair, maintenance, and improvements of the Capitol Hill Softball Field in Precinct IV.

SECTION 3. EXPENDITURE AUTHORITY

The expenditure authority for the funds under Section 2(a) shall be the Director of Parks and Recreation in consultation with the Secretary of the Department of Lands and Natural Resources and the expenditure authority for the funds under Section 2(b) shall be the Director of Roads and Grounds in consultation with the Secretary of the Department of Public Works.

SECTION 4. REPROGRAMMING.

The expenditure authority for the funds under Section 2(A) shall be the President of NSA in direct collaboration with the Director of Parks and Recreation.

SECTION 5. FISCAL YEAR.

The funds allocated under this Act shall be without fiscal year limitation(s).

SECTION 6. REPORTING OF EXPENDITURES.

Expenditures of the funds allocated under Section 2 of this Act shall be responsible to report all expenses to the Chairperson of the Saipan and Northern Islands Legislative Delegation a detail report showing the expenditure of the funds. Provided further that failure to provide all expenses, entities that were afforded funds under this Act shall not be able to avail to any future funds appropriated by the Saipan and Northern Islands Legislative Delegation.

SECTION 7. FUND DISTRIBUTION.

Funds appropriated under Section 2 of this Act shall be distributed accordingly to the intended purpose and or entity upon this Act becoming law.

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SECTION 8. SEVERABILITY.

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

SECTION 9. SAVINGS CLAUSE.

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

SECTION 10. EFFECTIVE DATE.

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

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CERTIFIED BY:

John Paul P. Sablan
Chairman
Saipan & Northern Islands Legislative Delegation

Edmund S. Villagomez
Speaker
24th House of Representatives

Approved this 9th day of July

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Arnold I. Palacios Governor

Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands