

Arnold I. Palacios
Governor

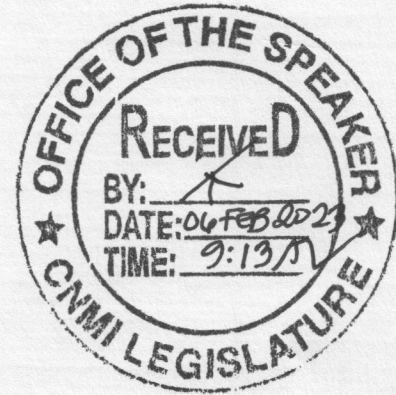
David M. Apatang
Lieutenant Governor

COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

February 02, 2024

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The Honorable Karl R. King-Nabors
Chairman
Tinian and Aguiguan Legislative Delegation
Twenty-Third Northern Marianas
Commonwealth Legislature
Saipan, MP 96950



The Honorable Edmund S. Villagomez
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Third 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. 23-34, D1** entitled, "To appropriate Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000.00) allotted under Tinian Local Law 23-05; and for other purposes." The bill was passed unanimously by the Tinian and Aguiguan Legislative Delegation of the Twenty-Third Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature.

This bill becomes **Tinian Local Law No. 23-08**. Copies bearing my signature are forwarded for your reference.

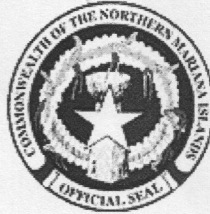
Sincerely,

ARNOLD I. PALACIOS
Governor

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DATE 2/4/2024 TIME 9:17 AM

cc: Lieutenant Governor; Attorney General; Commonwealth Law Revision; Secretary of Finance; Public Auditor; Special Assistant for Administration; Mayor of Tinian and Aguiguan; Tinian Municipal Treasury; Programs & Legislative Review Office

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TINIAN AND AGUIGUAN LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION
SECOND SENATORIAL DISTRICT
TWENTY-THIRD NORTHERN MARIANAS COMMONWEALTH LEGISLATURE

SECOND REGULAR SESSION, 2024

HOUSE LOCAL BILL NO. 23-34, D1

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

To appropriate Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000.00) allotted under Tinian Local Law 23-05; and for other purposes.

OFFERED BY

Representative Patrick H. San Nicolas

Prefiled on December 21, 2023 and Introduced on December 27, 2023

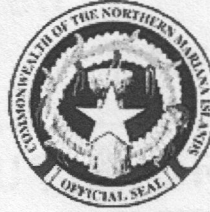
HOUSE ACTION

Transmitted to Tinian and Aguiguan Legislative Delegation for action on
December 27, 2023

DELEGATION ACTION

Referred to:	None
Comments Solicited:	1/9/24: Mayor of Tinian and Aguiguan [Del. Matters 23-33] & Tinian & Aguiguan Municipal Council [Del. Matters 23-34]
Comments Received:	1/9/24: Mayors Comm. 23-22
Standing Committee Report:	None
Passed First & Final Reading:	January 12, 2024 w/Draft 1

Frances Joan P. Kaipat
Delegation Clerk



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H. L. B. 23-34, D1

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

1 **SECTION 1. FINDINGS AND PURPOSE.**

2 The purpose of this Act is to appropriate the amount of Twenty Thousand Dollars
3 (\$20,000.00) allotted under Tinian Local Law 23-05, §108(C), which was line-item vetoed. The
4 Tinian and Aguiguan Legislative Delegation recognizes Governor Palacios' veto message.
5 Accordingly, the Delegation seeks to appropriate the \$20,000.00, which is from the Tinian Casino
6 License fees that are not part of the general fund. This appropriation of local funds is not part of
7 the FY 2024 Budget Act. Therefore, this local appropriation of local funds does not contravene 1
8 CMC § 7401 and 1 CMC § 7204(d) or any other provision of the CNMI Budget Act.

9 **SECTION 2. APPROPRIATION.**

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1 Notwithstanding any provision(s) of law, statutes, rules, or regulations to the contrary, the
2 Tinian and Aguiguan Legislative Delegation hereby appropriates Twenty Thousand Dollars
3 (\$20,000.00) allotted under Tinian Local Law 23-05, §108(C) to the following:

4 (a) Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) to the Mayor of Tinian and Aguiguan for the
5 discretionary account.

6 (b) Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) to the Tinian Municipal Council for operations.

7 **SECTION 3. EXPENDITURE AUTHORITY.**

8 (a) The expenditure authority for funds under Section 2(a) shall be the Mayor of Tinian
9 and Aguiguan.

10 (b) The funds under Section 2(b) shall be divided and distributed equally to the separate
11 accounts of each member of the Tinian Municipal Council. Each Municipal Council member shall
12 be the expenditure authority of the funds distributed to the respective separate accounts.

13 **SECTION 4. SEVERABILITY.**

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

18 **SECTION 5. SAVINGS CLAUSE.**

19 This Act and any repealer contained herein shall not be construed as affecting any existing
20 right acquired under contract or acquired under statutes repealed or under any rule, regulation or
21 order adopted under the statutes. Repealers contained in this Act shall not affect any proceeding

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1 instituted under or pursuant to prior law. The enactment of the Act shall not have the effect of
2 terminating, or in any way modifying, any liability, civil or criminal, which shall already be in
3 existence on the date this Act becomes effective.

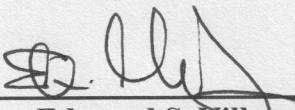
4 **SECTION 6. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

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

CERTIFIED BY:

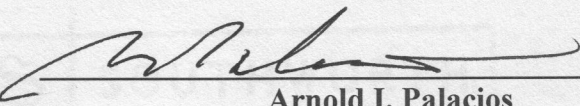


Karl R. King-Nabors
Chairman
Tinian & Aguiguan Legislative Delegation



Edmund S. Villagomez
Speaker
23rd House of Representatives

Approved this 2nd day of February, 2024.



Arnold I. Palacios
Governor
Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands