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Pursuant to the House Rules of Procedures and the authority under the NMI Constitution, the Speaker of the House of Representatives announces that the House of Representatives of the Twentieth Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature will convene the following open and public meeting:

**Meeting:** House of Representatives First Day, Foruth Special Session  
**Date and Time:** Tuesday, June 12, 2018, at 9:30 AM  
**Location:** House Chamber, Honorable Jesus P. Mafnas Memorial Building, Capitol Hill

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**MEMORANDUM**

**DATE : 1 JUNE 2018**

**TO : ALL HOUSE MEMBERS**

**FROM : Speaker Rafael S. Demapan** 

**SUBJECT : Call for Session, 1st Day, 4th Special Session**

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Pursuant to the House Rules of Procedure and the authority vested in me under the NMI Constitution, I hereby call the **1st Day, 4th Special Session for Tuesday, 12 June 2018 at 9:30 a.m.** in the House Chamber.

cc: Senate President  
 House Clerk  
 LB Director  
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**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**  
**TWENTIETH NORTHERN MARIANAS COMMONWEALTH LEGISLATURE**  
SPECIAL SESSION, 2018

SESSION DAY	CALENDAR DAY	TIME
1st Day, Fourth Special Session	Tuesday, June 12, 2018	9:30 a.m.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

*A Moment of Silence*

**1. ROLL CALL**

**2. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

**3. ADOPTION OF JOURNALS - (2)**

*First Day, First Special Session Journal – April 24, 2018*

*Second Day, First Special Session Journal – May 1, 2018*

**4. INTRODUCTION OF BILLS**

**A. House Bills:**

**B. House Local Bills:**

**H. L. B. No. 20-69**

To re-appropriate twenty-five thousand, eight hundred and sixty-three dollars (\$25,863.00) in B.U. 3400D, allotted under Saipan Local Law 18-23; and for other purposes.

**Prefiled by: REP. ALICE S. IGITOL** of Saipan, Precinct 4 (*for herself*)

**C. House Legislative Initiatives:**

**5. INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS**

**A. House Resolutions:**

**H. RES. NO. 20-32**

To recognize and commend Mariah Cruz for her outstanding educational accomplishments and contributions to the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, most especially to the people of Tinian.

**Prefiled by: REP. EDWIN P. ALDAN** of Tinian, Precinct 6 (*for himself*)

**H. RES. NO. 20-33**

To honor and commend the late Ellen F. Ikehara for her exemplary accomplishments and contributions to the Island of Tinian.

**Prefiled by: REP. EDWIN P. ALDAN** of Tinian, Precinct 6 (*for himself*)

**B.** *House Joint Resolutions:*

**C.** *House Commemorative Resolutions:*

**C. RES. NO. 20-17**

To honor and commend the late Patricia “Patty” Marie Kaipat for her contributions that she has made to our beloved Commonwealth and to extend our heartfelt condolences to her bereaved family on her untimely passing.

**Prefiled by: REP. IVAN A. BLANCO** of Saipan, Precinct 3 (*for himself*, Representatives Francisco C. Aguon, Donald C. Barcinas, Lorenzo I. Deleon Guerrero, Angel A. Demapan, Rafael S. Demapan, Alice S. Igitol, Janet U. Maratita, Edwin K. Propst, Gregorio M. Sablan Jr., John Paul P. Sablan, and Edmund S. Villagomez)

**D.** *House Concurrent Resolutions:*

**6. MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR**

GOV. COMM. 20-207: (5/17/18) Informing the House that he signed into law, H. L. B. NO. 20-40, D2, (“To appropriate \$144,629 from the Developers Infrastructure Tax Fund-Second Senatorial District under Public Law 18-56; and for other purposes.”). Became **Tinian Local Law 20-11** [*For info*]

GOV. COMM. 20-208: (5/25/18) Informing the House that he signed into law, H. L. B. NO. 20-64, D1, (“Appropriate \$100,000 from fees collected under the pachinko and poker license-Second Senatorial District; and for other purposes.”). Became **Tinian Local Law 20-12** [*For info*]

GOV. COMM. 20-209: (5/25/18) Informing the House that he signed into law, H. L. B. NO. 20-65, S1, D1, (“Appropriate \$3.3 Million from fees collected under the pachinko and poker license-Third Senatorial District; and for other purposes.”). Became **Saipan Local Law 20-24** [*For info*]

GOV. COMM. 20-210: (5/28/18 received 5/30/18) Informing the House that he vetoed H. L. B. No. 20-48, S1, (To amend the Saipan Official Zoning Map sheets 17, 23, and 27 of 29 to rezone certain districts to “Mixed Commercial”). [**Deadline: 7/29/18**]

GOV. COMM. 20-211: (5/31/18) **Executive Order 2018-6** – Declaration of a State of Significant Emergency: Commonwealth Utilities Corporation’s Imminent Generation and other Failure and the Need to Provide Immediate Reliable Power, Water and Wastewater services.

## 7. SENATE COMMUNICATIONS

SEN. COMM. 20-173: (6/6/18) Informing the House that the Senate in its First Day, Fourth Special Session, on June 6, 2018, adopted CCR No. 20-3 and passed H. B. 20-164, HD3, SD1, CCS1, entitled: “To appropriate fifteen million dollars (\$15,000,000) from the Special Casino Gross Revenue Tax Account, earmarked under 4 CMC §2308.” [For info]

SEN. COMM. 20-174: (6/8/18) Transmitting a certified copy of Senate Resolution No. 20-31 entitled, “To pay tribute to the late Joaquin L. Flores, Jr. for his memorable contributions and services to the CNMI and to express sincere condolences to his bereaved family.”, which was adopted by the Senate on June 6, 2018. [For info]

## 8. HOUSE COMMUNICATIONS

HSE. COMM. 20-110: (5/22/18) From Representative Joseph P. Deleon Guerrero informing the Speaker that he will be out of the Commonwealth on official business from Tuesday, May 22, 2018 to Thursday, May 24, 2018, and request to be excused from any and all official functions during his absence. [For info]

HSE. COMM. 20-111: (5/31/18) From Representative Barcinas informing the Speaker that he will be extending his personal leave until June 1, 2018, and request to be excused from any and all official functions during his absence. [For info]

## 9. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE JUDICIAL BRANCH – None

## 10. COMMUNICATIONS FROM DEPARTMENTS & AGENCIES - None

## 11. MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS - None

## 12. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES - (1)

**S. C. R. No. 20-128:** Reporting on S. B. No. 20-62, SS1, entitled: “A Bill for an Act to regulate cannabis in the Northern Mariana Islands; and for other purposes.” *Your Committee on Judiciary and Governmental Operations recommends the House pass S. B. No. 20-62, SS1 in its current form.*

## 13. REPORTS OF SPECIAL AND CONFERENCE COMMITTEES – (1)

**C. C. R. No. 20-3:** Reporting on H. B. 20-164, HD3, SD1, entitled, “To appropriate fifteen million dollars (\$15,000,000) from the Special Casino Gross Revenue Tax Account,

earmarked under 4 CMC §2308.” *Your Conference Committee recommends passage of the bill in the form of H. B. 20-164, HD3, SD1, CCS1.*

**14. UNFINISHED BUSINESS – None**

**15. RESOLUTION CALENDAR**

<b>Resolution</b>	<b>Subject</b>	<b>Action</b>
<b>H. RES. NO. 20-31</b>	A House Resolution to honor and commend the Mount Carmel School Mock Trial Team for their honorable representation of the CNMI at the 2018 National High School Mock Trial Competition held in Reno, Nevada and for their outstanding achievement in receiving the Larry Bakko Award for Professionalism and Civility.	

**16. BILL CALENDAR**

<b>Bill/Initiative</b>	<b>Subject</b>	<b>Action</b>
<b>S. B. NO. 20-35, SD3</b>	A Bill for an Act to amend 1 CMC § 2806(c) to increase the term of public land leases up to 40 years plus an extension up to 15 years for a total 55 years; to authorize certain existing public land leases to be amended to extend the existing lease term up to 55 years; to amend 1 CMC § 2807 to authorize DPL to negotiate a new public land lease with certain existing public land lessees under new terms and consideration without publishing an RFP; and for other purposes. See [S. C. R. No. 20-125] [ <i>Public comments were received in an open and public meeting when the legislation appeared on the House Agenda of 5/22/18</i> ]	

**17. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS**

**18. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**(ADJOURNMENT)**

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## ***APPEARANCE OF LOCAL BILLS***

**First Legislative Day:** 1<sup>st</sup> Legislative appearance of a local bill is on the day it is introduced.

**Second Legislative Day:**

**Third Legislative Day:**

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### *Appearance of Measures introduced on the House Floor during the House Session on May 22, 2018:*

H. B. No. 20-169: To amend 1 CMC §7209 to establish a penalty provision for the failure of the Governor to submit his/her itemized comparison to the legislature in a timely manner. Introduced by REP. EDWIN K. PROPST of Saipan, Precinct 1 (*for himself*, Representative Blas Jonathan “BJ” T Attao) on May 22, 2018; subsequently referred to the House Committee on Judiciary and Governmental Operations.

H. B. No. 20-170: To allocate twenty percent of the Beverage Container Tax to fund the operations of the Commonwealth Museum of History and Culture. Introduced by REP. RAFAEL S. DEMAPAN of Saipan, Precinct 2 (*for himself*, Representative Angel A. Demapan) on May 22, 2018; subsequently referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

H. L. B. No. 20-67: To appropriate \$79,000 from the local license fees collected for pachinko slot machines and poker machines in the Second Senatorial District; and for other purposes. Introduced by REP. EDWIN P. ALDAN of Tinian, Precinct 6 (*for himself*) on May 22, 2018.

[Added-5/22/18] H. L. B. No. 20-68: To amend Section 2(q) of Rota Local Law 20-8 to change the expenditure authority. Introduced by REP. GLENN L. MARATITA of Rota, Precinct 7 (*for himself*) on May 22, 2018.

H. RES. NO. 20-30: To congratulate and commend the CNMI Sharks of the Commonwealth Football League Association for their impressive victorious performance in the Philippines. REP. ANGEL A. DEMAPAN of Saipan, Precinct 1 (*for himself*, Representatives Francisco C. Aguon, Edwin P. Aldan, Blas Jonathan “BJ” T. Attao, Donald C. Barcinas, Ivan A. Blanco, Francisco S. Dela Cruz, Joseph P. Deleon Guerrero, Lorenzo I. Deleon Guerrero, Rafael S. Demapan, Joseph Leepan T. Guerrero, Alice S. Igitol, Jose I. Itibus, Glenn L. Maratita, Janet U. Maratita, Edwin K. Propst, Gregorio M. Sablan Jr., John Paul P. Sablan, Vinnie F. Sablan, and Edmund S. Villagomez) on May 22, 2018; moved and placed on the Resolution Calendar.

[Added-5/22/18] H. RES. NO. 20-31: To honor and commend the Mount Carmel School Mock Trial Team for their honorable representation of the CNMI at the 2018 National High School Mock Trial Competition held in Reno, Nevada and for their outstanding achievement in receiving the Larry Bakko Award for Professionalism and Civility. Introduced by REP. IVAN A. BLANCO of Saipan, Precinct 3 (*for himself*, Representatives Francisco C. Aguon, Edwin P. Aldan, Blas Jonathan “BJ” T. Attao, Donald C. Barcinas, Francisco S. Dela Cruz, Joseph P. Deleon Guerrero, Lorenzo I. Deleon Guerrero, Angel A. Demapan, Rafael S. Demapan, Joseph Leepan T. Guerrero, Alice S. Igitol, Jose I. Itibus, Glenn L. Maratita, Janet U. Maratita, Edwin K. Propst, Gregorio M. Sablan Jr., John Paul P. Sablan, Vinnie F. Sablan, and Edmund S. Villagomez) on May 22, 2018; moved and placed on the Resolution Calendar.

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### *House information on deadlines for override:*