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

Meeting: House of Representatives Twelfth Day, Second Regular Session

Date and Time: Monday, December 29, 2025, at 1:00 PM

Location: House Chamber, Vice Speaker Jesus P. Mafnas Memorial

Building, Capitol Hill

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

TWENTY-FOURTH NORTHERN MARIANAS COMMONWEALTH LEGISLATURE

Honorable Jesus P. Mafnas Memorial Building P. O. BOX 500586 Saipan, MP 96950

EDMUND SABLAN VILLAGOMEZ SPEAKER

MEMORANDUM

DATE

: 23 December 2025

TO

: ALL HOUSE MEMBERS

FROM

: Speaker Edmund S. Villagomez

SUBJECT

: Call for Session, 12th Day, 2nd Regular Session

Pursuant to the House Rules of Procedure and the authority vested in me under the NMI Constitution, I hereby call for the 12th Day, 2nd Regular Session for Monday, 29 December 2025 at 1:00 p.m. in the House Chamber.

cc: Senate President
House Clerk
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TWENTY-FOURTH NORTHERN MARIANAS COMMONWEALTH LEGISLATURE SECOND REGULAR SESSION 2025

SESSION DAY CALENDAR DAY TIME
12th Day, Second Regular Session Monday, December 29, 2025 1:00 p.m.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

A Moment of Silence

- 1. ROLL CALL
- 2. PUBLIC COMMENTS
- 3. ADOPTION OF JOURNALS -(2)

Seventh Day, Second Regular Session Journal of November 6, 2025 Eighth Day, Second Regular Session Journal of November 8, 2025

- 4. INTRODUCTION OF BILLS
 - A. House Bills:
 - B. House Local Bills:
 - C. House Legislative Initiatives:
- 5. INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS
 - A. House Resolutions:
 - H. RES. No. 24-23

To express the profound gratitude and commendation of the House of Representatives to Mrs. Jacqueline Ayuyu Quitugua for her extraordinary career spanning over 44 years, marked by unwavering dedication and transformative contributions to the education, wellbeing, and development of the youth and school communities in the Commonwealth of the Northern Marianas Islands, as she dawns her well-deserved retirement.

Prefiled by: REP. EDMUND S. VILLAGOMEZ of Saipan, Precinct 3, (for himself, Representatives Blas Jonathan "BJ" T. Attao, Roman C. Benavente, Joel C. Camacho, Marissa R. Flores, and John Paul P. Sablan)

- B. House Joint Resolutions:
- C. House Commemorative Resolutions:
- D. House Concurrent Resolutions:

6. MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR – (None)

7. SENATE COMMUNICATIONS

SEN. COMM. 24-65: (12/23/2025) Returning H. B. No. 24-75, entitled, "To authorize the continued payment of employer premiums for the Group Health & Life Insurance (GHLI) Program by permitting expenditure of \$3,747,585.00 recently identified by the Governor that shall be appropriated by the Legislature for FY 2026.", which was passed by the Senate without amendments on December 22, 2025. [For info-Trans to GOV 12/23/2025]

SEN. COMM. 24-66: (12/23/2025) Returning H. C. R. NO. 24-3, HS1, entitled, "To further approve revenues and resources of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, as identified under Article III, Section 9(a) of the Constitution, as amended, and Title 1, Division 7, of the Commonwealth Code, for Fiscal Year 2026, beginning January 1, 2026, and ending on September 30, 2026.", which was passed by the Senate without amendments on December 22, 2025. [For info]

SEN. COMM. 24-67: (12/23/2025) Returning H. B. No. 24-80, HS1, entitled, "To Repeal and Re-Enact Public Law 24-14 to further Define and Identify General Revenues and approve revenues and resources of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands as identified pursuant to Article III, Section 9 (a) of the CNMI Constitution, as amended, and 1 CMC Division 7, for Fiscal Year 2026 and make appropriations for the operations and activities of the Government of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, its agencies, instrumentalities, and independent programs, and to provide budget authority for government corporations for Fiscal Year 2026; and for other purposes.", which was passed by the Senate without amendments on December 22, 2025. [For info- Trans to GOV 12/23/2025]

- **8. HOUSE COMMUNICATIONS** (None)
- 9. **COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE JUDICIAL BRANCH** (None)
- 10. COMMUNICATIONS FROM DEPARTMENTS & AGENCIES (None)
- 11. MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS (None)
- **12. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES** (None)
- 13. REPORTS OF SPECIAL AND CONFERENCE COMMITTEES (None)
- **14.** UNFINISHED BUSINESS (None)

15. RESOLUTION CALENDAR

Resolution	Subject	Action
H. J. R. No. 24-10	A House Joint Resolution to honor and congratulate CITADEL	
	Pacific Ltd. (CPL) on the occasion of its 20 th Anniversary.	

16. BILL CALENDAR

Bill/Initiative	Subject	Action
H. B. No. 24-74,	A Bill for an Act to appropriate funds derived from trust interest	
SS2	income from the Marianas Public Land Trust.	
[SEN. COMM. 24-63]	[For action on Senate amendments]	

17. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

18. ANNOUNCEMENTS

(ADJOURNMENT)

APPEARANCE OF LOCAL BILLS

FIRST LEGISLATIVE DAY: 1st Legislative appearance of a local bill is on the day it is introduced.

SECOND LEGISLATIVE DAY:

THIRD LEGISLATIVE DAY:

H. L. B. No. 24-37: To rename Isa Drive to "Governor Carlos S. Camacho Drive" in honor of the First Governor of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands. Rep. Denita Kaipat Yangetmai of Saipan, Precinct 3 (for herself, Representatives Blas Jonathan "BJ" T. Attao, Roman C. Benavente, Angelo A. Camacho, Diego V. F. Camacho, Joel C. Camacho, Marissa R. Flores, Malcolm J. Omar, Raymond U. Palacios, Elias J.M. Rangamar, John Paul P. Sablan, and Edmund S. Villagomez) Introduced on December 5, 2025.

Appearance of Measures introduced on the House Floor during the House Session on December 22, 2025:

H. B. No. 24-78: To amend Title 4. Economic Resources, Division 6. Banking and Financial Institutions of the Commonwealth Code, to give the Banking Director authority to regulate digital asset businesses; and for other purposes. REP. DANIEL I. AQUINO JR. of Saipan, Precinct 2 (for himself, Representatives Malcolm J. Omar, John Paul P. Sablan, and Edmund S. Villagomez). Action: Introduced on December 22, 2025. Referred to: House Committee on Judiciary and Governmental Operations on December 22, 2025.

H. B. No. 24-79: To amend Title 4, Division 2, Chapter 3 of the Commonwealth Code, to amend the Commonwealth Gaming provisions, remove exclusive license, and allow for more casino licenses; and for other purposes. REP. RALPH N. YUMUL of Saipan, Precinct 3 (for himself, Representatives Blas Jonathan "BJ" T. Attao, and John Paul P. Sablan) Action: Introduced on December 22, 2025. Referred to: House Committee on Gaming on December 22, 2025.

H. B. No. 24-80: To Repeal and Re-Enact Public Law 24-14 to further Define and Identify General Revenues and approve revenues and resources of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands as identified pursuant to Article III, Section 9 (a) of the CNMI Constitution, as amended, and 1 CMC Division 7, for Fiscal Year 2026 and make appropriations for the operations and activities of the Government of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, its agencies, instrumentalities, and independent programs, and to provide budget authority for government corporations for Fiscal Year 2026; and for other purposes. REP. JOHN PAUL P. SABLAN of Saipan, Precinct 2 (for himself, Representatives Blas Jonathan "BJ" T. Attao, Roman C. Benavente, Joel C. Camacho, Marissa R. Flores, Julie M. A. Ogo, Malcolm J. Omar, Raymond U. Palacios, Elias J.M. Rangamar, Edmund S. Villagomez, Denita Kaipat Yangetmai, and Ralph N. Yumul) Action: Introduced on December 22, 2025; placed on the Bill Calendar; and passed on First and Final Reading as H. B. NO. 24-80, HS1.

H. B. No. 24-81: To establish a Non-Profit Organization Tax Credit to incentivize individual and corporate contributions, promote philanthropic engagement, and ensure the long-term viability of organizations that provide essential services and enhance the quality of life for the people of the CNMI. REP. JOSEPH A. FLORES of Saipan, Precinct 1 (*for himself*) Action: Introduced on December 22, 2025.

H. RES. No. 24-21: To encourage the Honorable David M. Apatang, Governor of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, to declare a Proactive Resilience Emergency Declaration to protect the Commonwealth's renewable energy future in light of the approaching federal deadline under the 2025 "Big Beautiful Budget" Act (BBB); and urging all agencies to fast-

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tract renewable energy projects before the opportunity expires. REP. VINCENT R. ALDAN of Saipan, Precinct 1 (*for himself, and the Committee of the Whole House*) Action: Introduced on December 22, 2025; placed on the Resolution Calendar; and adopted without amendments.

H. RES. No. 24-22: Supporting the establishment of mandatory financial literacy education in CNMI public schools; urging the CNMI Public School System (PSS) and the Board of Education to collaborate with private financial institutions, workforce development partners, and accredited financial education providers; and encouraging a unified, community-wide effort to equip students with essential financial skills needed for lifelong success. REP. VINCENT R. ALDAN of Saipan, Precinct 1 (for himself, and the Committee of the Whole House) Action: Introduced on December 22, 2025; placed on the Resolution Calendar; and adopted without amendments.

[ADDED-12/22/2025] H. J. R. No. 24-10: To honor and congratulate CITADEL Pacific Ltd. (CPL) on the occasion of its 20th Anniversary. Introduced by REP. JOHN PAUL P. SABLAN of Saipan, Precinct 2 (for himself, and the Committee of the Whole House) Action: Introduced on December 22, 2025; placed on the Resolution Calendar; no further action taken.

H. C. R. No. 24-3: To further approve revenues and resources of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, as identified under Article III, Section 9(a) of the Constitution, as amended, and Title 1, Division 7, of the Commonwealth Code, for Fiscal Year 2026, beginning October 1, 2025, and ending on September 30, 2026. REP. JOHN PAUL P. SABLAN of Saipan, Precinct 2 (for himself, Representatives Blas Jonathan "BJ" T. Attao, Roman C. Benavente, Diego V. F. Camacho, Joel C. Camacho, Julie M. A. Ogo, Malcolm J. Omar, Raymond U. Palacios, Elias J.M. Rangamar, Edmund S. Villagomez, Denita Kaipat Yangetmai, and Ralph N. Yumul) Action: Introduced on December 22, 2025; placed on the Resolution Calendar; and adopted as H. C. R. No. 24-3, HS1.