

TWENTY-SECOND NORTHERN MARIANAS COMMONWEALTH

LEGISLATURE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Regular Session, 2021

H. B. 22- 65

A BILL FOR AN ACT

To amend 3 CMC §2822(f) to rename the Commonwealth Health Center on Saipan as the Dr. Carlos S. Camacho Commonwealth Health Center.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE 22ND NORTHERN MARIANAS
COMMONWEALTH LEGISLATURE:

1 **Section 1. Findings and Purpose.** The Legislature finds that there are
2 individuals who have tirelessly devoted their lives to public service. Dr. Carlos S.
3 Camacho has served the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands with
4 professional excellence and has made significant contributions to the quality of life
5 for our citizens, notably serving as the first Governor of the CNMI. Through his
6 tireless leadership, and the impact that he has left on the Commonwealth, it is
7 appropriate to re-name the Commonwealth Health Center on Saipan in his honor
8 for his time honored legacy of dedication, enthusiasm and outstanding public
9 service given to the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

10 **Section 2. Amendment.** Title 3, Division 2, Chapter 9, § 2822 (f) of the
11 Commonwealth Code is hereby amended as follows:

12 “ § 2822. **Definitions.**

1 As used in this chapter:

2 (a) "Trustee" means the Board of Trustees of the Commonwealth
3 Healthcare Corporation established pursuant to this Chapter.

4 (b) "Chief Executive Officer" means a professional person with the
5 education and experience in Healthcare Management hired by the Board
6 of Trustess as the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) to manage the
7 Commonwealth Healthcare Corporation in the Commonwealth.

8 (c) "Clinics" means the Tinian Health Center, Rota Health Center, the
9 Women's Clinic and the Children's Clinic and other related public health
10 facilities providing healthcare and medical services in the Commonwealth.

11 (d) "Corporation" means the Commonwealth Healthcare Corporation
12 established pursuant to this Chapter.

13 (e) "Health care professionals" means doctors, nurses, and those persons
14 licensed or certified to practice in the Commonwealth.

15 (f) "Hospital" means the Dr. Carlos S. Camacho Commonwealth Health
16 Center on Saipan, and such ancillary public health facilities as may from
17 time to time be established in the Commonwealth."

18 **Section 4. Severability.** If any provisions of this Act or the application of
19 any such provision to any person or circumstance should be held invalid by a court
20 of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of this Act or the application of its

1 provisions to persons or circumstances other than those to which it is held invalid
2 shall not be affected thereby.

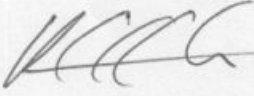
3 **Section 5. Savings Clause.** This Act and any repealer contained herein
4 shall not be construed as affecting any existing right acquired under contract or
5 acquired under statutes repealed or under any rule, regulation, or order adopted
6 under the statutes. Repealers contained in this Act shall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

10 **Section 6. Effective Date.** This Act shall take effect upon its approval by
11 the Governor, or its becoming law without such approval.


Prefiled: 5/20/2021

Date: 5.20.21

Introduced by:


Rep. Vicente C. Camacho

Reviewed for Legal Sufficiency by:


House Legal Counsel