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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 Twenty-Fourth Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature will convene the following open and public meeting:

Meeting: House of Representatives Seventh Day, Second Regular Session
Date and Time: Thursday, November 6, 2025, at 10:00 AM
Location: House Chamber, Vice Speaker Jesus P. Mafnas Memorial Building, Capitol Hill

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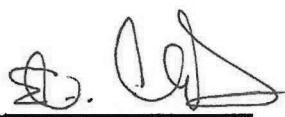
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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TWENTY-FOURTH NORTHERN MARIANAS COMMONWEALTH LEGISLATURE
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EDMUND SABLAN VILLAGOMEZ
SPEAKER

MEMORANDUM

DATE : 30 October 2025
TO : ALL HOUSE MEMBERS
FROM : Speaker Edmund S. Villagomez 
SUBJECT : Call for Session, 7th 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 **7th Day, 2nd Regular Session for Thursday, 06 November 2025 at 10:00 a.m.** in the House Chamber.

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TWENTY-FOURTH NORTHERN MARIANAS COMMONWEALTH LEGISLATURE
SECOND REGULAR SESSION 2025

SESSION DAY	CALENDAR DAY	TIME
7th Day, Second Regular Session	Thursday, November 6, 2025	10:00 a.m.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

A Moment of Silence

1. ROLL CALL

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

3. ADOPTION OF JOURNALS – (1)

Fourth Day, Second Regular Session Journal – September 27, 2025

4. INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

A. House Bills:

H. B. No. 24-70

To authorize the Public School System (PSS) to utilize unrestricted funds previously appropriated to PSS for Fiscal Year 2026; and for other purposes.

Prefiled by: REP. BLAS JONATHAN “BJ” T. ATTAO of Saipan, Precinct 3 (*for himself, Representatives Roman C. Benavente, Angelo A. Camacho, Diego V. F. Camacho, Joel C. Camacho, Joseph A. Flores, Marissa R. Flores, Thomas J. DiC. Manglona, Julie M. A. Ogo, Malcolm J. Omar, Raymond U. Palacios, Elias J.M. Rangamar, John Paul P. Sablan, Edmund S. Villagomez, and Denita Kaipat Yangetmai*)

B. House Local Bills:

C. House Legislative Initiatives:

5. INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS

A. House Resolutions:

B. House Joint Resolutions:

C. House Commemorative Resolutions:

D. House Concurrent Resolutions:

6. MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR

GOV. COMM. 24-67: (10/17/2025) From Governor David M. Apatang, expressing strong support for the passage of House Bill 24-57, *“To re-establish a Government Liability Cap,”* noting the bill’s importance in limiting the Commonwealth’s exposure to excessive tort liability and addressing the Supreme Court’s decision in *Maratita v. CHCC (2024 MP 10)*. [For info] read on October 24, 2025

GOV. COMM. 24-68 & GOV. COMM. 24-69 read on October 24, 2025

GOV. COMM. 24-70: (10/24/2025) From Governor David M. Apatang, requesting legislative authorization of an emergency budget appropriation of \$3.9 million from the FY 2026 General Fund Revised Budget to sustain the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP/NAP) for November 2025 due to federal funding suspension. [For Consideration]

GOV. COMM. 24-71: (10/24/2025) From Governor David M. Apatang, transmitting for legislative consideration an Administration-sponsored bill to amend Public Law 18-56 (Casino Act of 2014). The measure seeks to modernize the CNMI’s gaming industry by repealing the exclusive casino license model and authorizing multiple non-exclusive licenses to promote competition and investment. It further establishes a Casino Gross Revenue Tax (CGRT) to fund retirees’ pensions, strengthens regulatory oversight through the Commonwealth Casino Commission, and integrates online gaming and digital payment systems to expand fiscal revenues. [For Consideration]

GOV. COMM. 24-72: (10/30/2025) Informing the House that he signed into law, H. B. No. 24-45, SD1, *(To re-appropriate Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) under Public Law No. 21-10, Section 2(G), for operational expenses of the Office of the Mayor of the Municipality of Rota and for the Rota patients’ subsistence allowance.)*. Became **Public Law No. 24-16**. [For info]

GOV. COMM. 24-73: (10/30/2025) From Governor David M. Apatang transmitting Directive 2025-008A, implementing revised austerity measures for Executive Branch departments and agencies for Fiscal Year 2026. [For info]

7. SENATE COMMUNICATIONS – (None)

8. HOUSE COMMUNICATIONS – (None)

9. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE JUDICIAL BRANCH – (None)

10. COMMUNICATIONS FROM DEPARTMENTS & AGENCIES

DEPT./AGCY. COMM. 24-19: (10/29/2025) Department of Finance submitting the MPLT EDA Line of Credit Status Quarterly Report for the period July 16 – October 15, 2025, pursuant to the MPLT Line of Credit Terms and Conditions. [For info]

DEPT./AGCY. COMM. 24-20: From the Department of Finance submitting FY 2025 Citizen-Centric Report. [For info]

DEPT./AGCY. COMM. 24-21: From the Department of Labor, (First Sen. District) submitting FY 2025 Citizen-Centric Report. [For info]

DEPT./AGCY. COMM. 24-22: From the Department of Public Lands submitting FY 2025 Citizen-Centric Report. [*For info*]

DEPT./AGCY. COMM. 24-23: From the Department of Corrections submitting FY 2025 Citizen-Centric Report. [*For info*]

11. MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS

MISC. COMM. 24-67: From the CNMI Scholarship & Financial Assistance Office submitting FY 2025 Citizen-Centric Report. [*For info*]

MISC. COMM. 24-68: From the Marianas Visitors Authority submitting FY 2025 Citizen-Centric Report. [*For info*]

MISC. COMM. 24-69: From the 20th Tinian Municipal Council submitting FY 2025 Citizen-Centric Report. [*For info*]

MISC. COMM. 24-70: From the Joeten-Kiyu Public Library submitting FY 2025 Citizen-Centric Report. [*For info*]

MISC. COMM. 24-71: From the Substance Abuse Addiction and Rehabilitation Program submitting FY 2025 Citizen-Centric Report. [*For info*]

MISC. COMM. 24-72: From the Commonwealth Office of Transit Authority submitting FY 2025 Citizen-Centric Report. [*For info*]

MISC. COMM. 24-73: From the Office of Personnel Management submitting FY 2025 Citizen-Centric Report. [*For info*]

MISC. COMM. 24-74: From the Office of the Public Auditor submitting FY 2025 Citizen-Centric Report. [*For info*]

12. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES – (2)

S. C. R. No. 24-38: Reporting on H. B. No. 24-43, entitled: “To create a new criminal offense for Desecration or Theft of Memorials and Historical Sites.” *Your House Committee on Judiciary and Governmental Operations recommends that the House pass the bill in the form of H. B. No. 24-43, HD1.*

S. C. R. No. 24-39: Reporting on H. B. No. 24-57, entitled: “To re-establish a Government Liability cap.” *Your House Committee on Judiciary and Governmental Operations recommends that the House pass H. B. No. 24-57 in its current form.*

13. REPORTS OF SPECIAL AND CONFERENCE COMMITTEES – (None)

14. UNFINISHED BUSINESS – (None)

15. RESOLUTION CALENDAR

Resolution	Subject	Action

16. BILL CALENDAR

Bill/Initiative	Subject	Action
H. B. No. 24-33 [S. C. R. No. 24-37]	A Bill for an Act to statutorily define the scope of the Commonwealth's annual General Revenues within the meaning of Article XV, Section 1(e) of the NMI Constitution. <i>[Public comments were received in an open and public meeting when the legislation appeared on the House Agenda of October 9, 2025]</i>	
H. B. No. 24-68	A Bill for an Act to conditionally authorize the Marianas Public Land Trust to establish a margin account solely to facilitate the \$29,000,000 loan authorized under Public Law 24-13, subject to the continuing fiduciary and constitutional duties of the Trustees. <i>[No public comments were received in an open and public meeting when the legislation appeared on the House Agenda of October 24, 2025]</i>	

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:

H. L. B. No. 24-34: To establish the “Saipan Economic Incentive Zone” within the Third Senatorial District, and to authorize the Commonwealth Economic Incentive Authority and other relevant agencies to administer and regulate investment activities within the designated zone. Introduced by REPS. ANGELO A. CAMACHO and REP. VINCENT R. ALDAN (*for themselves, Representatives Blas Jonathan “BJ” T. Attao, Joel C. Camacho, Marissa R. Flores, and John Paul P. Sablan*) on October 24, 2025.

THIRD LEGISLATIVE DAY:

H. L. B. No. 24-29: To rename the “Smiling Cove Marina” the “Diego T. Benavente Smiling Cove Marina” in honor of former Legislator and former Lieutenant Governor Diego Tenorio Benavente. Introduced by REP. VINCENT R. ALDAN of Saipan, Precinct 1 (*for himself, Representatives Daniel I. Aquino Jr., Blas Jonathan “BJ” T. Attao, Angelo A. Camacho, Thomas J. DiC. Manglona, John Paul P. Sablan, and Ralph N. Yumul*) on October 9, 2025.

Appearance of Measures introduced on the House Floor during the House Session on October 24, 2025:

H. B. No. 24-68: To conditionally authorize the Marianas Public Land Trust to establish a margin account solely to facilitate the \$29,000,000 loan authorized under Public Law 24-13, subject to the continuing fiduciary and constitutional duties of the Trustees. Introduced by REP. JOHN PAUL P. SABLAN of Saipan, Precinct 2 (*for himself, Representatives Vincent R. Aldan, Blas Jonathan “BJ” T. Attao, Roman C. Benavente, Angelo A. Camacho, Joel C. Camacho, Marissa R. Flores, Julie M. A. Ogo, Denita Kaipat Yangetmai, and Ralph N. Yumul*) on October 24, 2025; subsequently moved and place on the Bill Calendar. *[No public comments were received in an open and public meeting when the legislation appeared on the House Agenda of October 24, 2025]*

H. B. No. 24-69: To amend Title 70, Subchapter 70-30.3 of the Northern Mariana Islands Administrative Code by adding a new section to authorize Indefinite-Delivery, Indefinite-Quantity Contracts; and for other purposes. Introduced by REP.

MARISSA R. FLORES of Saipan, Precinct 3 (*for herself, Representatives Roman C. Benavente, Joel C. Camacho, and Denita Kaipat Yangetmai*) on October 24, 2024; subsequently referred to the House Committee on Commerce and the House Committee on House Committee on Judiciary and Governmental Operations. [*No public comments were received in an open and public meeting when the legislation appeared on the House Agenda of October 24, 2025*]

H. L. B. NO. 24-34: To establish the “Saipan Economic Incentive Zone” within the Third Senatorial District, and to authorize the Commonwealth Economic Incentive Authority and other relevant agencies to administer and regulate investment activities within the designated zone. Introduced by REPS. ANGELO A. CAMACHO and REP. VINCENT R. ALDAN (*for themselves, Representatives Blas Jonathan “BJ” T. Attao, Joel C. Camacho, Marissa R. Flores, and John Paul P. Sablan*) on October 24, 2025.

H. RES. NO. 24-15: To honor and express our sincerest gratitude to Mr. Noboru Hirayama who has greatly contributed to the preservation and promotion of Japanese and Saipan history in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands through his work in the reconstruction of the Saipan Katori Shrine. Introduced by REP. EDMUND S. VILLAGOMEZ of Saipan, Precinct 3, (*for himself, Representatives Roy C.A. Ada, Vincent R. Aldan, Daniel I. Aquino Jr., Blas Jonathan “BJ” T. Attao, Roman C. Benavente, Angelo A. Camacho, Diego V. F. Camacho, Joel C. Camacho, Joseph A. Flores, Marissa R. Flores, Thomas J. DiC. Manglona, Julie M. A. Ogo, Malcolm J. Omar, Raymond U. Palacios, Elias J.M. Rangamar, John Paul P. Sablan, Patrick H. San Nicolas, Denita Kaipat Yangetmai, and Ralph N. Yumul*) on October 27, 2025; subsequently placed on the Resolution Calendar.