

## ROTA LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION

# First Senatorial District Twentieth Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature P. O. Box 500586 Saipan, MP 96950

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#### **MEMORANDUM**

Date:

June 9, 2017

To:

All Members, 20th RLD

From:

Senator Steve K. Mesngon

Chairman, 20<sup>th</sup> RLD

Subject:

Call for Session – 1<sup>st</sup> Day, 1<sup>st</sup> Special Session 2017

Pursuant to the authority vested in me under our Official Rules of Procedure for our Delegation, and in compliance with the Open Government Act (1 CMC §9901 et seq.), I hereby called the Delegation to meet in session for its *First Day, First Special Session 2017 on Wednesday, June 14, 2017 at 2:00 p.m., in the Senate President's Conference Room, Capitol Hill, Saipan.* 

The presence of all members of the Delegation at this very important session is respectfully requested.

xc:

Senate President

Speaker of the House

Senate Legal Counsel (Mr. Joe Bermudes)

Delegation Clerk

Senate Legislative Assistant (Ms. Jolyn D. Tagabuel)

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Date: June 9, 2017

Pursuant to the Open Government Act (1 CMC §9901 et seq.), the Honorable Steve K. Mesngon, Chairman of the Rota Legislative Delegation of the Twentieth Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature announces that the Delegation will convene the following open and public session:

**MEETING:** 

First Day, First Special Session 2017

DATE AND TIME:

Wednesday, June 14, 2017 @ 2:00 P.M.

LOCATION:

Senate President's Conference Room, Saipan

Copies of this notice, the official session call, and the session agenda have been filed in the Office of the Delegation Clerk, released to the media, and posted at the following locations:

Administration Building Entrance Hall
House of Representatives Entrance Hall
Senate Entrance Hall
Commonwealth Legislature website (www.cnmileg.gov.mp)

Pursuant to 1 CMC §9904, written comments on agenda items may be submitted to the Delegation Clerk's Office, Honorable Jesus P. Mafnas Memorial Building, Capitol Hill, Saipan, prior to the convening of the session or at the session. Oral testimony may be presented during the Delegation's session. If you wish to present oral testimony please inform the Delegation Clerk not later than 24 hours prior to the session.

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# First Senatorial District Twentieth Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature FIRST SPECIAL SESSION, 2017

SESSION DAY 1<sup>st</sup> Day CALENDAR DAY Wednesday, June 14, 2017

TIME 2:00 P.M.

#### **ORDER OF BUSINESS**

- a. Call to Order
- b. Moment of Silence
- c. Roll Call
- d. Adoption of Journal
- e. Public Comments (if any)
- f. Introduction of Local Bills
  - HLB No. 20-11: "To appropriate up to \$94,966.00 of the Earned Bond Interest Income collected for the First Senatorial District that has been identified by the Commonwealth Development Authority as available for appropriations; and for other purposes."

    [Introduced by Representative Glenn L. Maratita; ref. Hse Comm. 20-2]
  - HLB No. 20-19: "To appropriate the amount of Thirty-Six Thousand Dollars (\$36,000.00 USD) from license fees collected for poker and pachinko slot machines in the First Senatorial District; and for other purposes." [Introduced by Representative Glenn L. Maratita; ref. Hse. Comm. 20-3]
  - SLB No. 20-1: "To establish the Medical Subsistence Allowance Program for the First Senatorial District; and for other purposes." [Introduced by Senator Teresita A. Santos; ref. Sen. Comm. 20-4]
  - SLB No. 20-2: "To establish 'I Tano-Mame' as the official anthem for the Municipality of Rota; and for other purposes." [Introduced by Senator Teresita A. Santos; ref. Sen. Comm. 20-5]

#### g. Introduction of Local Resolutions

**RLD Comm. Res. No. 20-3:** "To recognize and acknowledge Lucia Babauta Quitugua for her selfless sacrifices to her family and for her extra contributions to the community of Rota and others through her local medicine and healing."

[Introduced by Committee of the Whole; official introduction]

**RLD Comm. Res. No. 20-4:** "To recognize and acknowledge Sergeant First Class Cathy Apatang Santos for her outstanding achievements in United States Armed Forces and to thank her for her sacrifice in serving our country to uphold the freedoms that we enjoy today." [Introduced by Committee of the Whole; official introduction]

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RLD Comm. Res. No. 20-6: "To recognize and acknowledge †Balbina Quichocho Dela Cruz Taisacan for her many contributions to the people of Rota and to express a heartfelt condolences to her bereaved family on her untimely passing. [Introduced by Committee of the Whole; official introduction]

RLD Comm. Res. No. 20-7: "To pay tribute to the life and memory of the late †Francisco Maratita Norita for his unwavering services to the people of the Commonwealth and to recognize him for his selfless deeds in assisting patients who were referred to San Diego under the Medical Referral Program." [Introduced by Committee of the Whole; official introduction]

#### h. Messages from the Governor

Gov. Comm. 20-1: (3/23/17) From Acting Governor Arnold I. Palacios informing the Delegation that he signed *House Local Bill No. 20-7, D1 (\$45k app.) into law which became* Rota Local Law 20-1. [Information]

#### i. Messages from the Mayor of Rota

Mayor's Comm. 20-5: (3/15/17) From Mayor Efraim Atalig requesting the Delegation to meet with members of the Rota Casino Gaming Commission. [Action]

**Mayor's Comm. 20-6:** (3/17/17) From Mayor Efraim Atalig to Chairman Mesngon re: expenditures of funds per RLL 19-12 and 19-14 appropriations. *[Information]* 

Mayor's Comm. 20-7: (4/20/17) From Mayor Efraim M. Atalig, submitting comments on House Local Bill No. 20-11 (\$94,966.00 – Earned Bond Interest). [Information]

#### j. Messages from the Rota Municipal Council - None

#### k. Reports and Communications from Heads of Departments/Agencies

**Dept/Agency Comm. 20-4:** (3/14/17) From D. François Claassens submitting medical certification for Jesus Cabrera. *[Information and action]* 

**Dept/Agency Comm. 20-5:** (2/22/17) From Dr. Francois Claassens requesting assistance for Ramon Sablan. *[Information and action]* 

**Dept/Agency Comm. 20-6:** (1/20/17) From Dr. Francois Claassens requesting assistance for Jeston Cabrera.. *[Information and action]* 

**Dept/Agency Comm. 20-7:** (4/7/17) Copy of letter from Col. Eusebio M. Manglona to DPS Commissioner re Rota Mayor's Office MOU Detailed Employees and JAS and JSNP. *[Information]* 

**Dept/Agency Comm. 20-8:** (4/17/17) From Dr. Francois Claassens submitting medical request for Tori Jean Bapari. *[Information and action]* 

**Dept/Agency Comm. 20-9:** (4/19/17) From CDA Executive Director submitting comments on *House Local Bill No. 20-11 (Earned Bond Interest Income)*. [Information and action]

**Dept/Agency Comm. 20-10:** (5/8/17) From Mr. Ryan Taisacan re Memorial Day Celebration on Rota. *[Information]* 

**Dept/Agency Comm. 20-11:** (5/10/17) From Rota DCCA Resident Director requesting funding for a pick-up truck for Rota Aging Program. *[Information and action]* 

#### l. House of Representatives Communications

**Hse Comm. 20-2:** (4/4/17) From House Clerk transmitting *House Local Bill No. 20-11*, entitled, "To appropriate up to \$94,966.00 of the Earned Bond Interest Income collected for the First Senatorial District that has been identified by the Commonwealth Development Authority as available for appropriations; and for other purposes." **[For Delegation's action]** 

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#### m. Senate Communications

**Sen. Comm. 20-3:** (3/13/17) From Chairman Mesngon re off island notice (3/15 – 3/23/17). *[Information]* 

**Sen. Comm. 20-4:** (5/10/17) From Senate Clerk transmitting Senate Local Bill No. 20-01, entitled, "To establish the Medical Subsistence Allowance Program for the First Senatorial District; and for other purposes." [For Delegation's action]

**Sen. Comm. 20-5:** (5/18/17) From Senate Clerk transmitting *Senate Local Bill No. 20-02*, entitled, "To establish 'I Tano'-Mami' as the official anthem for the Municipality of Rota; and for other purposes." [For Delegation's action]

### n. Delegation Matter

**Delegation Matter 20-10:** (3/14/17) From Senator Steve K. Mesngon, Chairman of the Delegation, addressed to all members of the Rota Legislative Delegation, informing the Delegation that I hereby appoint Senator Teresita A. Santos, as Acting Chair beginning 3/15 - 3/23/17. [Information]

**Delegation Matter 20-11:** (3/15/17) From Senator Teresita Santos, Acting Chairperson of the Delegation, addressed to Larissa C. Larson, Commonwealth Secretary of Finance, regarding the Medical Subsistence Allowance Recipients Correction. *[Information]* 

**Delegation Matter 20-12:** (3/16/17) From Senator Teresita Santos, addressed to David M. Calvo, DLNR Resident Director, expressing appreciation re Rota Agricultural Fair. *[Information]* 

**Delegation Matter 20-13:** (3/21/17) From Senator Teresita Santos, Acting Chairperson of the Delegation, addressed to Mayor Atalig re meeting on RLL 19-12 and 19-14 appropriation. *[Information and Action]* 

**Delegation Matter 20-14:** (4/3/17) From Senator Steve K. Mesngon, Chairman of the Delegation, addressed to Secretary of Finance re additional correction to RLL 20-1. *[Information]* 

**Delegation Matter 20-15:** (4/3/17) From Senator Steve K. Mesngon, Chairman of the Delegation, addressed to Secretary of Finance re additional correction to RLL 20-1. *[Information]* 

**Delegation Matter 20-16:** (4/4/17) From Chairman Mesngon to Mayor of Rota requesting comments on *House Local Bill No. 20-11 (\$94,966 app)*. *[Information]* 

**Delegation Matter 20-17:** (4/4/17) From Chairman Mesngon to Chairman of Rota Municipal Council requesting comments on *House Local Bill No. 20-11 (\$94,966 app)*. [Information]

**Delegation Matter 20-18:** (4/4/17) From Chairman Mesngon to Mr. Manuel A. Sablan requesting comments on *House Local Bill No. 20-11 (\$94,966 app)*. *[Information]* 

**Delegation Matter 20-19:** (4/11/17) From Chairman Mesngon to members of Delegation re Rota Police Cadet Stipend. *[Information and action]* 

**Delegation Matter 20-20:** (4/5/17) Letter addressed to Acting Governor Victor B. Hocog signed by Senators Steve K. Mesngon and Teresita A. Santos, and Representative Glenn L. Maratita requesting financial assistance for several programs and projects. *[Information]* 

**Delegation Matter 20-21:** (4/25/17) From Chairman Mesngon to members of the Delegation re presentation of resolution to the family of the late Kevin C. Atalig. *[Information]* 

**Delegation Matter 20-22:** (4/25/17 From Senator Teresita A. Santos, RLD Vice Chair re notification of trip to Honolulu. *[Information]* 

**Delegation Matter 20-23:** (5/5/17) Email communication with attachments between Representative Maratita and Ms. Tina T. Atalig re Joseph Apatang. *[Information and action]* 

**Delegation Matter 20-24:** (5/10/17) From Chairman Mesngon to members of the Delegation re off-island notice (5/11-16/17) *[Information]* 

**Delegation Matter 20-25:** From Vice Chair Santos to members of the Delegation re off-island notice (5/11-16/17) *[Information]* 

**Delegation Matter 20-26:** (5/18/17) From Chairman Mesngon addressed to Mayor Atalig soliciting comments on *Senate Local Bills 20-1 (Medical Subsistence Allowance Program) and 20-2 (I Tano-Mame).* [Information]

**Delegation Matter 20-27:** (5/18/17) From Chairman Mesngon addressed to Chairman Barcinas of the Rota Municipal Council soliciting comments on *Senate Local Bills 20-1* (Medical Subsistence Allowance Program) and 20-2 (I Tano-Mame). [Information]

**Delegation Matter 20-28:** (5/18/17) From Chairman Mesngon addressed to Secretary of Finance re request for financial assistance to fund Rota Little League's participation in the District Tournament. *[Information]* 

**Delegation Matter 20-29:** (6/7/17) From Chairman Mesngon to Mayor Atalig soliciting comments on *House Local Bill No. 20-19 (\$36K app – medref subs).* [Information]

**Delegation Matter 20-30:** (6/7/17) From Chairman Mesngon to Council Chair Anthony Barcinas soliciting comments on *House Local Bill No. 20-19 (\$36K app – medref subs)*. *[Information]* 

#### o. Miscellaneous Communications

Misc. Comm. 20-3: (1/20/17) From Physicians of Guam Radiology Consultants submitting medical evaluation for Ms. Visitacion Quitugua. *[information and action]* 

**Misc. Comm. 20-4:** (4/5/17) From Therese Narcisa Q. Fajardo, M.D., submitting medical evaluation and certificate for John William King. [*Information and action*]

Misc. Comm. 20-5: (5/4/17) From Mr. Luis M. Sablan inquiring on status of medical referral subsistence retroactive due to him. [Information and action]

Misc. Comm. 20-6: (5/22/17) From Dr. Eugene De Guzman, M.D. submitting medical certificate for Richard M. Calvo. [Information and action]

#### p. Reports of Committees - None

#### q. Unfinished Business

#### r. Resolution Calendar

Resolution No.	Short Title	Action
RLD CR 20-3	Recognize and acknowledge Lucia Babauta Quitugua	For official adoption of resolution
RLD CR 20-4	Recognize and acknowledge SFC Cathy A. Santos	For official adoption of resolution
RLD CR 20-5	Paying tribute to †Kevin T. Atalig	For official adoption of resolution
RLD CR 20-6	Recognize and acknowledge Balbina DLG. Taisacan	For official adoption of resolution
RLD CR 20-7	Pay tribute to the life and memory of Francisco M. Norita	For official adoption of resolution

#### s. Bill Calendar

First Reading

Bill No.	Short Title	Action

**Second Reading** 

Bill No.	Short Title	Action

#### t. Miscellaneous Business

#### u. Announcements

### v. Adjournment

# House Local Bill(s) Transmitted to the Delegation (Transmitted on 3/1/17)

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Introduced by:

Representative Glenn L. Maratita [Ref. Hse. Comm. 20-2]

**Comments Solicited:** 

4/4/17 – Mayor of Rota; Chairman, Rota Municipal Council: CDA Executive Director [Ref. DM 20-16, 20-17 and 20-18]

**Comments Received:** 

4/20/17 - Mayor of Rota [Ref. Mayor's Comm. 20-7]

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**Comments Solicited:** 

6/7/17 - Mayor of Rota; Chairman, Rota Municipal Council:

**Comments Received:** 

None

# Senate Local Bill(s) Transmitted to the Delegation (Transmitted on 5/10/17)

**SLB 20-01:** 

"To establish the Medical Subsistence Allowance Program for the First

Senatorial District; and for other purposes."

Introduced by:

Senator Teresita A. Santos [Ref. Sen. Comm. 20-1]

**Comments Solicited:** 

5/18/17 – Mayor of Rota; Chairman, Rota Municipal Council:

[Ref. DM 20-26 and 20-27]

**Comments Received:** 

None to date

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SLB 20-02: "To establish 'I Tano'-Mame' as the official anthem for the Municipality

of Rota; and for other purposes."

Introduced by: Senator Teresita A. Santos [Ref. Sen. Comm. 20-2]

**Comments Solicited:** 5/1817 – Mayor of Rota; Chairman, Rota Municipal Council:

[Ref. DM 20-26 & 20-27]

Comments Received: None to date

## Local Resolution(s)

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