

# OFFICE OF THE SENATE PRESIDENT

TWENTY-THIRD NORTHERN MARIANAS COMMONWEALTH LEGISLATURE

#### SENATOR EDITH E. DELEON GUERRERO

Senate President

### MEMORANDUM

Date: September 08, 2023

To: All Members of the Senate

From: President of the Senate

Sen. Edith E. DeLeon Guerrero

Subject: SECOND REGULAR SENATE SESSION – 2023

By the powers vested in me pursuant to the Interim Rules of the Senate and the Open Government Act, this is to inform all members that the 4<sup>th</sup> Day, Second Regular Session is scheduled for *Monday*, *September 11*, 2023 at 2:00 p.m., *Senate Chamber*, *Saipan*.

Your understanding and attendance are greatly appreciated.

Cc: Speaker of the House

Director, LB

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Pursuant to the Open Government Act (1 CMC §9901 et seq.), the Senate of the Twenty-Third Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature will convene the following open and public session:

MEETING: 4<sup>th</sup> Day, Second Regular Senate Session - 2023 DATE AND TIME: Monday, September 11, 2023 @ 2:00 p.m.

LOCATION: Senate Chamber, Saipan

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

Office of the Governor, Entrance Hall
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Pursuant to 1 CMC §9904, written comments on agenda items may be submitted to the Office of the Senate President, Hon. Jesus P. Mafnas Memorial Building, Capitol Hill, Saipan or via email to the Senate Clerk's Office at <a href="doloresbermudes.lb@gmail.com">doloresbermudes.lb@gmail.com</a>, prior to the convening of the session. Oral testimony may be presented during the public session.

September 08, 2023



# THE SENATE

# TWENTY-THIRD NORTHERN MARIANAS COMMONWEALTH LEGISLATURE SECOND REGULAR SESSION - 2023

SESSION DAY	CALENDAR DAY	TIME
4 <sup>th</sup> Day	Monday, September 11,2023	2:00 p.m.
	SENATE CHAMBER, SAIPAN	

# ORDER OF BUSINESS

# A MOMENT OF SILENT PRAYER

- A. ROLL CALL:
- B. PUBLIC COMMENT:
- C. READING AND APPROVAL OF THE JOURNAL: (NONE)
- D. MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR:
  - Gov. Msg. No. 23-155: Sept. 06, 2023 Nomination of Mrs. Trinidad L. Rabauliman to serve as a member of the Commonwealth Election Commission representing the Third Senatorial District.
  - Gov. Msg. No. 23-156: Sept. 06, 2023 Resume, police clearance, statement of financial interest and drug test result of Mr. Frank Lee SN. Borja re-nominated to serve as a member of the CEDA Board of Directors.
- E. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE JUDICIARY: (NONE)
- F. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE HEADS OF EXECUTIVE DEPT.:
  - Dept. Msg. No. 23-15: Aug. 23, 2023 Office of Grants Management & State Clearinghouse to Senate President Deleon Guerrero letter of support for the Solar for All competition on behalf of the CNMI.
- G. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE HOUSE:

 Hse. Comm. No. 23-60: Sept. 7, 2023 – Adopted CCR 23-2 on House Concurrent Resolution No, 23-2, SS1, CCS1 - To approve revenues and resources of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, as identified pursuant to Article III, Section 9(a) of the Constitution, as amended, and 1 CMC, Division 7, for Fiscal Year 2024, beginning October 1, 2023, and ending on September 30, 2024. [FOR INFO.]

#### H. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE SENATE:

- Sen. Comm. No. 23-254: Sept., 04, 2023 Senate President request on FEMA reimbursement funds for CNMI.
- Sen. Comm. No. 23-255: Sept., 07, 2023 Referral to EAGI Committee Mr. Frank Lee SN. Borja's resume, police clearance, statement of financial interest and drug test result re-nominated to serve as a member of CEDA Board of Directors.
- Sen. Comm. No. 23-256: Sept., 07, 2023 Referral to EAGI Committee Mrs. Trinidad L. Rabauliman nominated to serve as a member of Commonwealth Election Commission.
- I. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE WASHINGTON DELEGATE: (NONE)
- J. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: (NONE)
- K. PRE-FILED BILLS, INITIATIVES, LOCAL BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS: (NONE)
- L. INTRODUCTION OF BILLS, INITIATIVES, LOCAL BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS:
- M. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES: (NONE)
- N. REPORTS OF SPECIAL/CONFERENCE COMMITTEE: (NONE)
- O. RESOLUTION CALENDAR:
  - Senate Resolution No. 23-10: Requesting the Honorable Governor Arnold I. Palacios to reserve Commonwealth funds to provide a retiree bonus or COLA to be distributed equally to all Settlement Class members and CNMI Fund members receiving an annuity. [SEN. EDITH E. DELEON GUERRERO 08/28/23]

#### P. BILL CALENDAR:

# FINAL READING

LEG. NO.	TITLE	
H.B. No. 23-66, HS1, SS1	To 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 2024; and for other purposes.	

- Q. PETITIONS, MEMORIALS AND MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS;
  (NONE)
- R. ANNOUNCEMENTS; and
- S. ADJOURNMENT.

#### APPEARANCE OF SENATE LOCAL BILLS

LEG. NO.	TITLE	

The Senate may consider, debate, and/or act upon any item contained in this Order of Business at the time and place described herein.

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