



Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands
Office of the Governor

Saipan, Mariana Islands 96950

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Gov. NMJ Saipan

August 18, 1978

Honorable Lorenzo I. Guerrero
President of the Senate

and

Honorable Oscar C. Rasa
Speaker of the House of Representatives
Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature
Saipan, Mariana Islands 96950

Dear Mr. President and Mr. Speaker:

I am pleased to inform you that on Friday, August 18, 1978, I signed into law the following Acts passed by the First Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature, First Regular Session, 1978 as follows:

Senate Bill No. 1-6 entitled:

"To provide for the selection of an official seal of the Commonwealth and its custody and use."

Senate Bill No. 1-23, entitled:

"To designate certain days of each year as legal holidays."

Certified copies of the above Acts bearing my signature are forwarded herewith for your file.

Sincerely yours,

Carlos S. Camacho
Governor



The Senate
NORTHERN MARIANAS COMMONWEALTH LEGISLATURE


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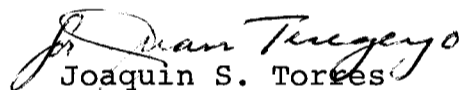
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CERTIFICATION

S.B. NO. 1-6, S.D.1, H.D.1

We hereby certify that the foregoing bill passed the Senate and the House of Representatives by a majority vote of the members, a quorum being present, First Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature, First Regular Session, 1978.


Lorenzo I. Guerrero
President of the Senate


Joaquin S. Torres
Clerk of the Senate

FIRST NORTHERN MARIANAS COMMONWEALTH LEGISLATURE

FIRST REGULAR SESSION, 1978

AN ACT

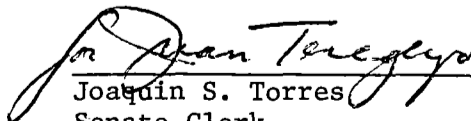
To provide for the selection of an official seal of the Commonwealth and its custody and use.

Offered by Senator(s) Lorenzo I. Guerrero, Benjamin T. Manglona,
Julian S. Calvo, Joseph S. Inos, Pedro P. Tenorio, Juan U. Hofschneider

Date: January 24, 1978

Senate Action: February 10, 1978
Referred to: Judiciary, Government & Law Committee
Standing Committee Report No. 1-15
First Reading: February 10, 1978
Second Reading: February 27, 1978

House Action: March 29, 1978
Referred to: Health, Education and Welfare Committee
Standing Committee Report No. 1-39
First Reading: March 31, 1978
Second Reading: May 10, 1978


Joaquin S. Torres
Senate Clerk

AN ACT

To provide for the selection of an official seal of the Commonwealth and its custody and use.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NORTHERN MARIANAS COMMONWEALTH LEGISLATURE:

1 Section 1. Short Title. This Act shall be known and may be cited
2 as the Commonwealth Seal Act of 1978.

3 Section 2. Seal of the Commonwealth.

4 (a) There shall be a Seal of the Commonwealth of the
5 Northern Mariana Islands to authenticate official acts, proclamations,
6 and other public documents issued by the Governor or the Legislature or
7 under the authority of the Governor or Legislature, and for other
8 appropriate official purpose.

9 (b) The Seal shall contain the words "United States
10 Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands," the year "1978" and an
11 illustration as may be appropriate to the Commonwealth. The design shall
12 be simple and dignified.

13 (c) The Governor shall appoint two official members from the
14 administration to join the Senate Committee on Judiciary, Government and
15 Law, and the House Committee on Judiciary and Governmental Operations in
16 making the final selection.

17 Section 3. Use and Custody of the Seal.

18 (a) The Seal shall be in the custody of the Attorney General
19 who may delegate its physical custody to an official of the Office of
20 Attorney General. No person other than the Attorney General or official
21 of the Office of Attorney General designated by the Attorney General

1 shall (1) affix the Seal on any document or (2) authorize a replica of
2 the Seal to be made or used.

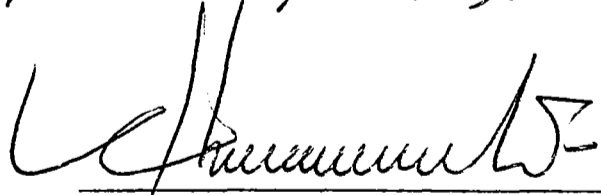
3 (b) Replicas of the Seal may be used on official reports,
4 papers, and stationery of the Commonwealth, official flags, or for
5 appropriate display by the executive branch, legislative branch and
6 judicial branch or a branch, department, agency or public
7 corporation of the Commonwealth. The Governor, by executive order,
8 shall prescribe standards for the proper display and use of the Seal.

9 (c) No person shall use the Seal, or replica of it in any
10 manner that violates this Act or an executive order or any amendment to
11 an executive order of the Governor issued pursuant to this Section.
12 Violations of this Act shall constitute a misdemeanor and, upon
13 conviction, shall be punishable by a fine not to exceed \$100 for
14 each offense or ten days imprisonment, or both.

15 Section 4. Effective Date. This Act shall take effect upon its
16 approval by the Governor, or upon its becoming law without such
17 approval.

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Approved: August 18, 1978



Carlos S. Camacho
Governor
Commonwealth of the Northern Marianas