

AN ACT

Making appropriations for the office of the Mayor of Saipan for Fiscal Year 1981, and ~~for~~ other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NORTHERN MARIANAS COMMONWEALTH LEGISLATURE:

1 Section 1. Purpose. This Act appropriates funds from the General
2 Fund for the non-capital operations and activities of the office of
3 the Mayor of Saipan for Fiscal Year 1981, ~~commencing~~ October 1, 1980
4 extending through September 30, 1981..

5 Section 2. Appropriation. For the non-capital operations and
6 activities of the office of the Mayor of Saipan the following sums
7 are hereby appropriated from the General Fund:

8 Item 1. For personal services and personnel
9 benefits for not more than 7 employees,
10 including the Mayor \$ 50,700

11 Item 2. For all other necessary
12 expenditures \$ 17,500

13 Section 3. Prohibition. No obligation, expenditure, agreement
14 or contract for expenditure of Commonwealth Funds appropriated by this
15 Act shall be made for any purpose other than the purposes for which
16 the funds are appropriated and only as authorized by the Mayor or
17 his designee. No funds appropriated by this Act shall be obligated,
18 encumbered or otherwise committed after September 30, 1981.

19 Section 4. Reprogramming. No funds appropriated by this Act
20 shall be reprogrammed or reallocated except pursuant to this section,
21 or as otherwise provided by law. No employee ceiling limit imposed

1 by this Act may be changed or reprogrammed except with the approval
2 of the Legislature **as** provided in this section. No funds shall be
3 reprogrammed other than to another item in this Act. Subject to the
4 restrictions of this Act, the Mayor, with the approval of the Governor,
5 may reprogram funds between or among the items in this Act in any amount
6 that **does** not increase or **decrease** the **amount of** any such item by more
7 than twenty percent. Notice of such **reprogramming** shall **be** reported in
8 writing to the Chairman of the **Committee** on Appropriations of the **House**
9 of Representatives and the **Chairman** of the **Committee** on Fiscal Affairs
10 **of** the Senate not later than three working days after the date the Mayor
11 takes such reprogramming action. If the **reprogramming** would result in
12 more than the percent change, cumulative and in total for the fiscal
13 year, permitted by this section, or requests a change or reprogramming
14 of any employee ceiling limit imposed by this Act, the proposal shall
15 be submitted in writing to the two Chairmen for approval by the
16 Legislature before the transfer of funds or other change takes place.
17 Such reprogramming request shall be considered approved by the
18 Legislature if **it** has not been disapproved by either **Committee** within
19 five calendar days from the date of **its** acknowledged official receipt.
20 Either **Committee** may propose to amend the request. If the other
21 **Committee** does not agree to such an amendment within the five-day
22 period, the request shall be considered disapproved. If the other
23 **Committee** agrees to the amendment, the request shall be considered
24 approved as amended, except that the Mayor may choose not to carry out
25 the reprogramming if he does not concur *with* the amendment. If one

1 Committee disapproves the request and the other does not, or if the
2 two Committees do not agree on any amendment to the request, the two
3 Chairmen shall arrange a joint meeting of the two Committees to
4 discuss their differences in an attempt to resolve them and to arrive
5 at a solution, if possible, before taking final action on the request.
6 Notwithstanding the procedure set forth in the preceding five sentences
7 of this section, such reprogramming request may be approved by the
8 Legislature by concurrent resolution at any time prior to the
9 expiration of such five-day period.

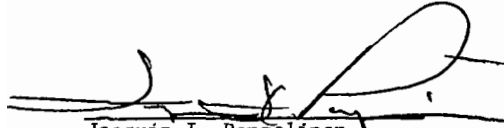
10 Section 5. Administrative Guidelines. The detailed worksheets,
11 schedules and tables submitted to the Legislature by the Governor, as
12 modified to reflect the amounts appropriated and allocated in this
13 Act, are to be used by the Mayor as administrative guidelines for the
14 purpose of allocating funds appropriated by this Act.

15 Section 6. Penalties. No funds appropriated by this Act shall
16 be paid out of the General Fund except pursuant to the provisions of
17 this Act. Any elected official or any officer or employee of any
18 branch, department, agency, commission, office or instrumentality of
19 the Government of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands
20 who shall knowingly and wilfully violate any provision of this Act
21 shall, upon conviction, be fined not more than one thousand dollars
22 or be imprisoned for not more than one year, or both.

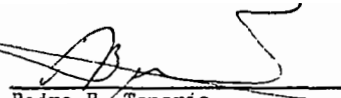
23 Section 7. Severability. If any provision of this Act, or the
24 application of any such provision to any person or circumstance, shall
25 be held invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder

1 of this Act, or the application of such provision to persons or
2 circumstances other than those to which it is held invalid, shall
3 not be affected thereby.

4 Section 8. Effective Date. This Act shall take effect upon its
5 approval by the Governor, or upon its becoming law without such approval.

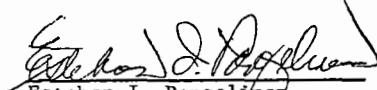


Joaquin I. Pangelinan
Speaker of the House

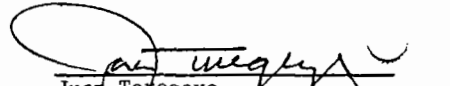


Pedro P. Tenorio
President of the Senate

ATTEST:

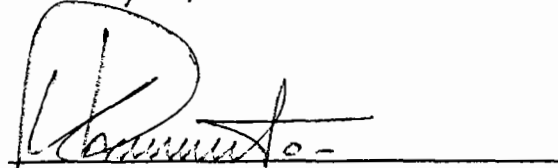


Esteban I. Pangelinan
House Clerk



Juan Teregeyo
Senate Clerk

August 21, 1981



Governor
Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands