

## Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands Office of the Governor

Saipan, Mariana Islands 96950

Cable Address: Gov. NAU Saipan

The Honorable Poinciano C. Rasa President of the Senate Fourth Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature Saipan, CM 96950

and

The Honorable Vicente M. Sablan Speaker, House of Representatives Fourth Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature Saipan, CM 96950

Dear Mr. President and Mr. Speaker:

This is to inform you that I have signed into law Senate Bill No. 3-132, entitled "AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE MARIANAS PUBLIC LAND CORPORATION TO ACQUIRE PRIVATE LANDS IN TINIAN TO BE LEASED TO THE UNITED STATES AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.", passed by the Third Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature, Fourth Regular Session, 1984.

Senate Bill No. 3-132 becomes Public Law No. 3-101. Copies bearing my signature are forwarded for your ready reference.

Sincerely,

EDRO P. TENORIO

Covernor

CC: Special Assistant for Programs and Legislative Review

## THIRD NORTHERN MARIANAS COMMONWEALTH LEGISLATURE FOURTH REGULAR SESSION, 1984

AN ACT
To authorize the Marianas Public Land Corporation to acquire private lands in Tinian to be leased to the United States and for other purposes.
Offered by Senators Ramon M. Dela Cruz, Julian S. Calvo, Froilan C.
Tenorio, and Ignacio K. Quichocho
Date:January 5, 1984
SENATE ACTION
First and Final Reading: January 5, 1984
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HOUSE ACTION
First and Final Reading: January 6, 1984

Ignacio Quichorho

Ignacio K. Quichocho

Senate Legislative Secretary

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## BE IT ENACTED BY THE NORTHERN MARIANAS COMMONWEALTH LEGISLATURE:

- 1 Section 1. <u>Declaration of Policy and Purpose</u>. The Legislature
- 2 finds and declares that pursuant to the terms of Section 803 of the
- 3 Covenant with the United States and a lease agreement thereunder,
- 4 certain private lands situated on the island of Tinian must be
- 5 acquired by negotiation on or before June 6, 1984; that acquisition
- 6 of such lands by negotiation is in the best interests of the people
- 7 of the Commonwealth; and that such acquisition should proceed
- 8 expeditiously. The Legislature further finds and declares that for
- 9 the past year the Marianas Public Land Corporation has worked
- 10 diligently to acquire such lands by negotiation and is the most
- 11 suitable organ of government to complete such negotiated acquisitions.
- 12 It is accordingly the intent of the legislature that the Marianas
- 13 Public Land Corporation be authorized by this Act to acquire the
- 14 private lands on Tinian by negotiation.
- Section 2. <u>Delegation of Authority to the Marianas Public Land</u>
- 16 Corporation. The Marianas Public Land Corporation is authorized to
- 17 acquire the private lands on Tinian described in Section 802 of the
- 18 Covenant which are to be leased to the United States under Section 803
- 19 of the Covenant and the Technical Agreement.
- 20 Section 3. It is the intent of the Legislature that the
- 21 "reasonable expenses of administration" referred to in Article XI,

- 1 Section 5(g) of the Constitution include the cost of acquiring private
- 2 lands to be leased to the United States Government, including amounts
- 3 to be paid to private landowners.
- 4 Section 4. Effective Date. This Act shall take effect upon its
- 5 approval by the Governor, or upon its becoming law without such
- 6 approval.

YMPIO 1. BORJA President

BENIGNO R. Speaker

ATTEST:

IGNACIO K. QUICHOCHO Senate Legislative Secretary

HERBERT S. DEL ROSARIO

Chief Clerk

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PEDRO P. TENÓRIO

Governor

Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands