



COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS

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Lieutenant Governor

Honorable Ramon A. Tebuteb
Chairman, Saipan and Northern Islands Legislative Delegation
Eighteenth Northern Marianas
Commonwealth Legislature
Saipan, MP 96950

13 JUN 2013

Honorable Joseph P. Deleon Guerrero
Speaker, House of Representatives
Eighteenth Northern Marianas
Commonwealth Legislature
Saipan, MP 96950

Dear Mr. Chairman and Mr. Speaker:

This is to inform you that I have signed into law, House Local Bill 18-9, S1, entitled, "To appropriate \$3,183,000.00 from revenues to be collected pursuant to Saipan Local Law 11-2 as amended for fiscal year 2013; to re-appropriate fund balances from Saipan Local Laws 15-11 and 17-16; to amend Saipan Local Law 18-1; and for other purposes," which was passed by the Saipan and Northern Islands Legislative Delegation, Eighteenth Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature.

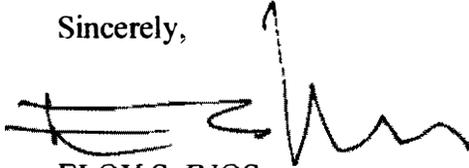
In approving this measure, the recipients of the funds from revenues collected pursuant to Saipan Local Law 11-2 must be cognizant that anticipated revenues are less than the appropriated amount. As such, pursuant to Section 7 of this legislation, the appropriations will be reduced proportionately to the amounts actually collected and available.

Section 4 (a)(B) amends the initial appropriations for the National Mock Trial Championship team to pay for the team's actual incidental expenses. The Secretary of Finance is instructed to ensure receipts are certified and that expenses are ordinary and necessary expenses in accordance with all applicable laws and regulations of the CNMI before disbursement.

I caution the legislature when passing appropriation measures from referencing projects as "various projects." Projects should be specifically and properly identified to ensure funds are used for those specific projects and that funds are adequately allocated.

This bill becomes **Saipan Local Law No. 18-3**. Copies bearing my signature are forwarded for your reference.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'ELOY S. INOS', with a prominent vertical stroke extending upwards from the end of the signature.

ELOY S. INOS

CC: Lt. Governor
Press Secretary, Office of the Governor
Secretary of Finance
Mayor of Saipan
Special Assistant for Programs & Legislative Review
All Branches, Departments, and Agencies



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Representative Ramon A. Tebuteb, Chairman
Representative John Paul P. Sablan, Vice Chairman

Senator Pete P. Reyes, Floor Leader

May 31, 2013

Honorable Eloy S. Inos
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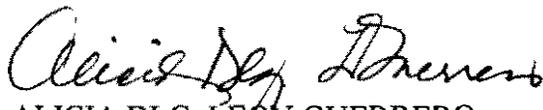
Dear Governor Inos:

I am honored to transmit for your action *House Local Bill No. 18-9, S1*, entitled,

*"A Local Appropriation Bill For An Act For The Third Senatorial District
"To appropriate \$3,183,000.0 from revenues to be collected pursuant to Saipan
Local Law 11-2 as amended for fiscal year 2013; to re-appropriate fund balances
from Saipan Local Laws 15-11 and 17-16; to amend Saipan Local Law 18-1; and
for other purposes."*

This bill was passed by the Saipan and Northern Islands Legislative Delegation of the Eighteenth Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature, a quorum duly present, on First and Final Reading during its First Day, Second Special Session 2013 held on May 30, 2013.

Sincerely,


ALICIA DLG. LEON GUERRERO
Delegation Clerk

Enclosures



**SAIPAN AND NORTHERN ISLANDS LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION
EIGHTEENTH NORTHERN MARIANAS COMMONWEALTH LEGISLATURE
SECOND SPECIAL SESSION, 2013**

HOUSE LOCAL BILL NO. 18-9, S1

**A LOCAL APPROPRIATION BILL FOR AN ACT
FOR THE THIRD SENATORIAL DISTRICT**

To appropriate \$3,183,000.0 from revenues to be collected pursuant to Saipan Local Law 11-2 as amended for fiscal year 2013; to re-appropriate fund balances from Saipan Local Laws 15-11 and 17-16; to amend Saipan Local Law 18-1; and for other purposes.

Offered by

Representatives Antonio R. Agulto, Lorenzo I. Deleon Guerrero, and John Paul P. Sablan

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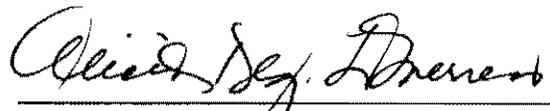
February 13, 2013

HOUSE ACTION

Transmitted to Saipan and Northern Islands Legislative Delegation for action on April 8, 2013

DELEGATION ACTION

Referred to	:	SNILD Committee on Ways & Means (5/17/13)
Comments Solicited	:	Mayor of Saipan; NI Mayor; Chairman, SNI Municipal Council; (4/8/13)
Comments Received	:	Mayor of Saipan (Mayor's Comm. 18-14; 4/11/13)
Standing Committee Report	:	None
Passed First & Final Reading	:	May 30, 2013 (w/S1)


Alicia DLG. Leon Guerrero, Delegation Clerk



SAIPAN AND NORTHERN ISLANDS LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION
Third Senatorial District
Eighteenth Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature

FIRST REGULAR SESSION, 2013

HOUSE LOCAL BILL NO. 18-9, S1

**A LOCAL APPROPRIATION BILL FOR AN ACT
FOR THE THIRD SENATORIAL DISTRICT**

To appropriate \$3,183,000.00 from revenues to be collected pursuant to Saipan Local Law 11-2 as amended for fiscal year 2013; to re-appropriate fund balances from Saipan Local Laws 15-11 and 17-16; to amend Saipan Local Law 18-1; and for other purposes.

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE THIRD SENATORIAL DISTRICT DELEGATION
PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 4, DIVISION 1, TITLE 1 OF THE
COMMONWEALTH CODE:**

1 **Section 1. Purpose.** The purpose of this Act is to appropriate local funds for various
2 purposes as follows: (a) Up to \$3,183,000.00 from the revenues generated from the poker fees to be
3 collected for fiscal year 2013 pursuant to Saipan Local Law 11-2 as amended; and (b) to re-appropriate
4 the fund balances from Business Units 3748 (Saipan Local Law 15-11) and 3752F (Saipan Local Law
5 17-16) for various development projects in Precinct V thereby restoring the original appropriations of
6 Saipan Local Laws 15-11 and 17-16. This Act also amends Sections 2 and 4 of Saipan Local Law 18-1.

7 **Section 2. Appropriation.** Notwithstanding any provision of law, the Saipan and Northern
8 Islands Legislative Delegation (SNILD) hereby appropriates \$3,183,000.00 of the revenues to be
9 collected for fiscal year 2013 pursuant to Saipan Local Law 11-2 as amended as follows:

- 10 (A) \$3,000,000.00 to Saipan Higher Education Financial Assistance (SHEFA);
- 11 (B) \$183,000.00 shall be allocated as follows:
 - 12 (1) \$100,000.00 for the SHEFA operations;
 - 13 (2) \$20,000.00 for the Saipan Little League;
 - 14 (3) \$15,000.00 for the 30th Annual Flame Tree Arts Festival;
 - 15 (4) \$5,000.00 for the Agricultural Fair;

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- 1 (5) \$5,000.00 for the Saipan Fishing Derby;
- 2 (6) \$3,000.00 for the Spear Fishing Association;
- 3 (7) \$15,000.00 for the Liberation Day activities; and
- 4 (8) \$20,000.00 for the Saipan and Northern Islands Legislative
- 5 Delegation operational funds.

6 **Section 3. Re-appropriation.** There is hereby re-appropriated the fund balances of Business
7 Unit 3748 pursuant to Saipan Local Law 15-11 and Business Unit 3752F pursuant to Saipan Local Law
8 17-16 to various development projects in Precinct V.

9 **Section 4. Amendment.** Sections 2 and 4 of Saipan Local Law 18-1 is amended as follows:

10 (a) Section 2. Re-appropriation. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary the fund
11 balance of \$200,344.00 from Business Unit 3390G of Saipan Local Law 16-1 section I(A) is hereby
12 amended to be re-appropriated as follows:

13 A) \$195,821.41 for various projects in Precinct V;

14 B) \$4,522.59 For the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI) Mock
15 Trial Team for the team's actual incidental expenses at the National Mock Trial Championships
16 in Indiana on May 5, 2013.

17 (b) Section 4. Amendment. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary Section 2(B)
18 16 and (E) of Saipan Local Law 17-16 is hereby amended to read as follows:

19 (B) Precinct II: \$100,000.00 for various projects in Precinct II and to complete the
20 Niyok Road project;

21 (E) Precinct V: \$22,500.00 for various projects in Precinct V.

22 **Section 5. Expenditure Authority.** The expenditure authority for the funds under Section
23 2(A), (B)(1) shall be the SHEFA Board Chairperson in concurrence with the SHEFA Board; provided
24 further, that no funds appropriated herein should be expended for consulting and/or professional
25 services contracts. The expenditure authority for the funds under Section 2(B)(2) thru (8) and Section
26 4 of this Act shall be the Secretary of Finance; provided further, that the funds appropriated under
27 Section 2(B)(2) shall be equally divided amongst the four Saipan All Star divisions.

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1 **Section 6. Reprogramming.** Funds appropriated under this act shall not be reprogrammed
2 for any other purpose. Funds allotted under Section 2(B)(1) of this Act shall not be used for consulting
3 and/or professional services contracts. Notwithstanding any provision of law, all capital improvement
4 projects funded under this Act shall be without fiscal year limitation.

5 **Section 7. Allotment of Funds.** In the event that the revenue collections do not meet the
6 appropriated amount in Section 2 of this Act, the Secretary of Finance shall allot each program an
7 amount based on the percentage of the programs appropriation proportionately.

8 **Section 8. Management of Funds.**

9 (A) The Secretary of Finance shall regulate and control the expenditure of the funds
10 appropriated by this Act to ensure that appropriated funds are not expended contrary to the law,
11 fiscal management policies, and practices of the Commonwealth.

12 (B) The Secretary of Finance shall not disburse payments or reimbursements from the
13 funds appropriated in Section 2(B)(3) (30th Annual Flame Tree Arts Festival) and Section 4
14 (CNMI Mock Trial Team) of this Act unless certified receipts are submitted for payment or
15 reimbursement.

16 **Section 9. Severability.** If any provision of this Act or the application of any such provision
17 to any person or circumstance should be held invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder
18 of this Act or the application of its provisions to persons or circumstances other than those to which it is
19 held invalid shall not be affected thereby.

20 **Section 10. Savings Clause.** This Act and any repealer contained herein shall not be
21 construed as affecting any existing right acquired under contract or acquired under statutes repealed or
22 under any rule, regulation or order adopted under the statutes. Repealers contained in this Act shall not
23 affect any proceeding instituted under or pursuant to prior law. The enactment of the Act shall not have
24 the effect of terminating, or in any way modifying, any liability, civil or criminal, which shall already
25 be in existence on the date this Act becomes effective.

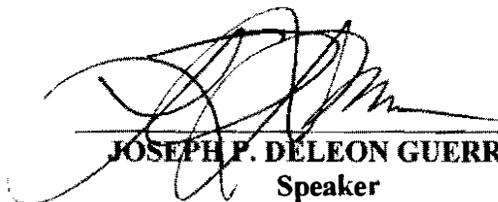
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1 Section 11. Effective Date. This Act shall take effect upon its approval by the Governor, or
2 its becoming law without such approval.

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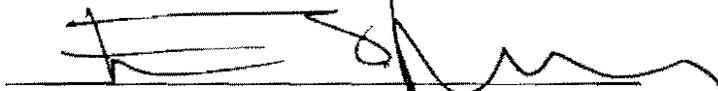


RAMON A. TEBUTEB
Chairman
Saipan & Northern Islands
Legislative Delegation



JOSEPH F. DELEON GUERRERO
Speaker
House of Representatives

Approved on this 12TH day of JUNE, 2013.



ELOY S. INOS
Governor
Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands