June 02, 2023

The Honorable Karl R. King-Nabors
Chairman
Tinian and Aguiguan Legislation Delegation
Twenty-Third Northern Marianas
Commonwealth Legislature
Saipan, MP 96950

The Honorable Edmund S. Villagomez
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Third Northern Marianas
Commonwealth Legislature
Saipan, MP 96950

Dear Mr. Chairman and Mr. Speaker:

This is to inform you that pursuant to the override action of the House of Representatives during its First Day, Second Special Session on May 10, 2023 and the Senate during its First Day, Fifth Special Session on May 16, 2023 of the Twenty-Third Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature, respectively, House Local Bill No. 23-06, D1 entitled, “To re-appropriate Eleven Thousand Two Hundred Forty-Six Dollars ($11,246.00) allotted under Tinian Local Law 18-09; Fourteen Thousand One Hundred Fifty-Nine Dollars ($14,159.00) allotted under Tinian Local Law 19-13; Thirty Thousand Eight Hundred Eighty-Two Dollars ($30,882.00) from Tinian Local Law 19-15; One Hundred Ninety-One Dollars ($191.00) from Tinian Local Law 20-9; Five Thousand Dollars ($5,000.00) from Tinian Local Law 20-17; and One Thousand Forty Dollars (1,040.00) from Tinian Local Law 20-17; and for other purposes,” the bill became Tinian Local Law No. 23-02. Copies of this law are forwarded for your reference.

Sincerely,

ARNOLD I. PALACIOS
Governor

cc: Lt. Governor; Attorney General; Public Auditor; Commonwealth Law Revision; Secretary of Finance; Mayor of Tinian and Aguiguan; Tinian Municipal Treasury; Special Assistant for Administration; Programs & Legislative Review Office
June 1, 2023

The Honorable Arnold I. Palacios  
Governor  
Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands  
Honorable Juan A. Sablan Memorial Building  
Capitol Hill  
Saipan, MP 96950

Dear Governor Palacios:

This is to inform you that the Twenty-Third Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature repassed House Local Bill No. 23-06, D1, entitled, "To re-appropriate Eleven Thousand Two Hundred Forty-Six Dollars ($11,246.00) allotted under Tinian Local Law 18-09; Fourteen Thousand One Hundred Fifty-Nine Dollars ($14,159.00) allotted under Tinian Local Law 19-13; Thirty Thousand Eight Hundred Eighty-Two Dollars ($30,882.00) from Tinian Local Law 19-15; One Hundred Ninety-One Dollars ($191.00) from Tinian Local Law 20-9; Five Thousand Dollars ($5,000.00) from Tinian Local Law 20-17; and One Thousand Forty Dollars ($1,040.00) from Tinian Local Law 20-17; and for other purposes.", by an affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of each house.

House Local Bill No. 23-06, D1, is now law. Please inform us of the Local Law number assigned to this Act.

Respectfully submitted,

Francis Joan P. Kaipat  
Delegation Clerk

Enclosure
May 31, 2023

The Honorable Arnold I. Palacios
Governor
Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands
Capital Hill
Saipan, MP 96950

Dear Governor Palacios:

The Senate, Twenty-Third Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature, on May 16, 2023 voted in accordance with Article II, Section 7(c) of the CNMI Constitution to override by the affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the members the veto on House Local Bill No. 23-06, D1, entitled, “To re-appropriate Eleven Thousand Two Hundred Forty-Six Dollars ($11,246.00) allotted under Tinian Local Law 18-09; Fourteen Thousand One Hundred Fifty-Nine Dollars ($14,159.00) allotted under Tinian Local Law 19-13; Thirty Thousand Eight Hundred Eighty-Two Dollars ($30,882.00) from Tinian Local Law 19-15; One Hundred Ninety-One Dollars ($191.00) from Tinian Local Law 20-9; Five Thousand Dollars ($5,000.00) from Tinian Local Law 20-17; and One Thousand Forty Dollars ($1,040.00) from Tinian Local Law 20-17; and for other purposes.”

Sincerely,

Chanele C. Borja
Acting Senate Clerk

Attachment
May 11, 2023

The Honorable Arnold I. Palacios
Governor
Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands
Capitol Hill
Saipan, MP 96950

Dear Governor Palacios:

This is to inform you that the House of Representatives during its First Day, Second Special Session on May 10, 2023 overrode your veto of H. L. B. No. 23-06, D1, entitled, “To re-appropriate Eleven Thousand Two Hundred Forty-Six Dollars ($11,246.00) allotted under Tinian Local Law 18-09; Fourteen Thousand One Hundred Fifty-Nine Dollars ($14,159.00) allotted under Tinian Local Law 19-13; Thirty Thousand Eight Hundred Eighty-Two Dollars ($30,882.00) from Tinian Local Law 19-15; One Hundred Ninety-One Dollars ($191.00) from Tinian Local Law 20-9; Five Thousand Dollars ($5,000.00) from Tinian Local Law 20-17; and One Thousand Forty Dollars ($1,040.00) from Tinian Local Law 20-17; and for other purposes.”, with the affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the members of the House of Representatives.

Sincerely yours,

Linda B. Muna
House Clerk

Attachment
April 10, 2023

Dear Mr. Chairman and Mr. Speaker:

This is to inform you that I have vetoed House Local Bill No. 23-06, D1 entitled, “To re-appropriate Eleven Thousand Two Hundred Forty-Six Dollars ($11,246.00) allotted under Tinian Local Law 18-09; Fourteen Thousand One Hundred Fifty-Nine Dollars ($14,159.00) allotted under Tinian Local Law 19-13; Thirty Thousand Eight Hundred Eighty-Two Dollars ($30,882.00) from Tinian Local Law 19-15; One Hundred Ninety-One Dollars ($191.00) from Tinian Local Law 20-9; Five Thousand Dollars ($5,000.00) from Tinian Local Law 20-17; and One Thousand Forty Dollars ($1,040.00) from Tinian Local Law 20-17; and for other purposes.” The bill was passed unanimously by the Tinian and Aguiguan Legislative Delegation of the Twenty-Third Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature.

In the purpose section of the Bill, it states that:

The bill proposes to re-appropriate what appears to be fund balances from various projects/funding items appropriated by earlier local laws, namely Tinian Local Law (TLL) 18-9; TLL 19-13; TLL 19-15; TLL 20-9; and TLL 20-17, with a combined total of $62,518.00 for the following expenditures:

- $40,000 to the Mayor for personnel and operations costs;
- $20,018 to the Mayor’s discretionary fund; and
- $2,500 to the Tinian Athletic Sports Association.

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I have been informed by the Department of Finance that as of April 10, 2023, it is the case that insufficient funds exist to cover the appropriation set forth in House Local Bill No. 23-06, D1.

Due to the insufficiency of funds, I must respectfully exercise my constitutional authority to veto this Bill.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

ARNOLD I. PALACIOS

cc: Lt. Governor; Attorney General; Public Auditor; Commonwealth Law Revision; Acting Secretary of Finance; Mayor of Tinian and Aguiguan; Tinian Municipal Treasury; Special Assistant for Administration; Programs & Legislative Review Office
April 10, 2023

Honorable Arnold I. Palacios
Governor
Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands
Juan A. Sablan Building
Capitol Hill
Saipan, MP 96950

Re: HLB No. 23-06 D1 “to re-appropriate TLL18-09, 19-13, 19-15, 20-09, 20-17”

Dear Honorable Governor Palacios:

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on HB No. 23-06 D1, “To re-appropriate TLL18-09, 19-13, 19-15, 20-09, 20-17”. The Department of Finance has transferred all the appropriations to the Tinian Municipal Treasurer except for the funds appropriated under TLL 18-09, S1(b), business unit 7174D with an available balance of $12,551.00.

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Should you have any questions, please let me know.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

TRACY B. NORITA
Acting Secretary of Finance
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March 22, 2023

The Honorable Arnold I. Palacios
Governor
Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands
Honorable Juan A. Sablan Memorial Building
Capitol Hill
Saipan, MP 96950

Dear Governor Palacios:

I am honored to transmit for your action House Local Bill No. 23-06, D1, entitled, “To re-appropriate Eleven Thousand Two Hundred Forty-Six Dollars ($11,246.00) allotted under Tinian Local Law 18-09; Fourteen Thousand One Hundred Fifty-Nine Dollars ($14,159.00) allotted under Tinian Local Law 19-13; Thirty Thousand Eight Hundred Eighty-Two Dollars ($30,882.00) from Tinian Local Law 19-15; One Hundred Ninety-One Dollars ($191.00) from Tinian Local Law 20-9; Five Thousand Dollars ($5,000.00) from Tinian Local Law 20-17; and One Thousand Forty Dollars ($1,040.00) from Tinian Local Law 20-17; and for other purposes,” which was passed unanimously by the Tinian and Aguiguan Legislative Delegation, Twenty-Third Northern Mariana Commonwealth Legislature on its First and Final Reading, a quorum duly present during its 3rd Day, First Regular Session held on March 20, 2023.

Respectfully submitted,

Francis Joao P. Kaipat
Delegation Clerk

Enclosure
A LOCAL APPROPRIATION BILL FOR AN ACT
FOR THE SECOND SENATORIAL DISTRICT

To re-appropriate Eleven Thousand Two Hundred Forty-Six Dollars ($11,246.00) allotted under Tinian Local Law 18-09; Fourteen Thousand One Hundred Fifty-Nine Dollars ($14,159.00) allotted under Tinian Local Law 19-13; Thirty Thousand Eight Hundred Eighty-Two Dollars ($30,882.00) from Tinian Local Law 19-15; One Hundred Ninety-One Dollars ($191.00) from Tinian Local Law 20-9; Five Thousand Dollars ($5,000.00) from Tinian Local Law 20-17; and One Thousand Forty Dollars ($1,040.00) from Tinian Local Law 20-17; and for other purposes.

OFFERED BY

Representative Patrick H. San Nicolas
Prefiled on February 23, 2023 and Introduced on March 9, 2023

HOUSE ACTION

Referred to Ways and Means Committee on March 9, 2023
Transmitted to Tinian and Aguiguan Legislative Delegation for action on
March 17, 2023

DELEGATION ACTION

Referred to:  None
Comments Received:  3/14/23: Mayors Comm. 23-05
Standing Committee Report:  None
Passed First & Final Reading:  March 20, 2023 w/Draft 1

Frances Joan P. Kaipat
Delegation Clerk
A LOCAL APPROPRIATION BILL FOR AN ACT
FOR THE SECOND SENATORIAL DISTRICT

To re-appropriate Eleven Thousand Two Hundred Forty-Six Dollars ($11,246.00) allotted under Tinian Local Law 18-09; Fourteen Thousand One Hundred Fifty-Nine Dollars ($14,159.00) allotted under Tinian Local Law 19-13; Thirty Thousand Eight Hundred Eighty-Two Dollars ($30,882.00) from Tinian Local Law 19-15; One Hundred Ninety-One Dollars ($191.00) from Tinian Local Law 20-9; Five Thousand Dollars ($5,000.00) from Tinian Local Law 20-17; and One Thousand Forty Dollars ($1,040.00) from Tinian Local Law 20-17; and for other purposes.

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

SECTION 1. PURPOSE.

The purpose of this Act is to re-appropriate Eleven Thousand Two Hundred Forty-Six Dollars ($11,246.00) allotted under Tinian Local Law 18-09, §1(b); Fourteen Thousand One Hundred Fifty-Nine Dollars ($14,159.00) allotted under Tinian Local Law 19-13, §2(b); Thirty Thousand Eight Hundred Eighty-Two Dollars ($30,882.00) from Tinian Local Law 19-15, §3(c)(6); One Hundred Ninety-One Dollars ($191.00) from Tinian Local Law 20-9, §2(m); Five Thousand Dollars ($5,000.00) from Tinian Local Law 20-17, §2(b); and One Thousand Forty
Dollars ($1,040.00) from Tinian Local Law 20-17, §2(c), for a combined total of Sixty-Two Thousand Five Hundred Eighteen Dollars ($62,518.00).

SECTION 2. RE-APPROPRIATIONS.

Notwithstanding any provision(s) of law, statutes, rules or regulations to the contrary, the Tinian and Aguiguan Legislative Delegation hereby re-appropriates the combined total in the amount of Sixty-Two Thousand Five Hundred Eighteen Dollars ($62,518.00) from the following Tinian Local Laws: Eleven Thousand Two Hundred Forty-Six Dollars ($11,246.00) allotted under Tinian Local Law 18-09, §1(b) Retroactive Salaries; Fourteen Thousand One Hundred Fifty-Nine Dollars ($14,159.00) allotted under Tinian Local Law 19-13, §2(b) Lump Sum Payment for Annual Leave for Local Employees; Thirty Thousand Eight Hundred Eighty-Two Dollars ($30,882.00) from Tinian Local Law 19-15, §3(c)(6) Tinian Farmer's Market; One Hundred Ninety-One Dollars ($191.00) from Tinian Local Law 20-9, §2(m) Tinian Premiere Football Club; Five Thousand Dollars ($5,000.00) from Tinian Local Law 20-17, §2(b) Patio/Outside Kitchen at the Tinian Guesthouse; and One Thousand Forty Dollars ($1,040.00) from Tinian Local Law 20-17, §2(c) Tinian Premiere Football Club, to the following:

a) Forty Thousand Dollars ($40,000) to the Mayor of the Municipality of Tinian and Aguiguan for personnel and operations.

b) Twenty Thousand Eighteen Dollars ($20,018) to the Mayor of Tinian's Discretionary Fund.

c) Two-Thousand Five Hundred Dollars ($2,500) to the Tinian Athletic Sports Association (TASA).

SECTION 3. EXPENDITURE AUTHORITY.
a) The expenditure authority for funds under Section 2(a) and (b) shall be the Mayor of Tinian and Aguiguan.

b) The expenditure authority for the funds under Section 2(c) shall be the President of TASA.

SECTION 4. SEVERABILITY.

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

SECTION 5. SAVINGS CLAUSE.

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

SECTION 6. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This Act shall take effect upon its approval by the Governor or its becoming law without such approval.
Tinian Local Law No. 23-02

HOUSE LOCAL BILL NO. 23-06, D1

CERTIFIED BY:

Karl R. King-Nabors
Chairman
Tinian & Aguiguan Legislative Delegation

Edmund S. Villagomez
Speaker
23rd House of Representatives

Approved this 10th day of April, 2023.

Arnold I. Palacios
Governor
Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands
CERTIFICATION:

Overridden by the House of Representatives on May 10, 2023, and by the Senate on May 16, 2023, by the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members in each house.

Edmund S. Villagomez  
Speaker of the House of Representatives  

Edith E. DelLeon Guerrero  
President of the Senate

House of Representatives Overrode on May 10, 2023  
Senate Overrode on May 16, 2023  
Became Tinian Local Law No. 23-02 on 2nd day of June, 2023
STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 23-7
DATE: March 13, 2023
RE: House Local Bill No. 23-6

The Honorable Edmund S. Villagomez
Speaker of the House of Representatives
Twenty-Third Northern Marianas
Commonwealth Legislature
Capitol Hill
Saipan, MP 96950

Dear Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Ways and Means to which was referred:

House Local Bill No. 23-6: “To re-appropriate Eleven Thousand Two Hundred Forty-Six Dollars ($11,246.00) allotted under Tinian Local Law 18-09; Fourteen Thousand One Hundred Fifty-Nine Dollars ($14,159.00) allotted under Tinian Local Law 19-13; Thirty Thousand Eight Hundred Eighty-Two Dollars ($30,882.00) from Tinian Local Law 19-15; One Hundred Ninety-One Dollars ($191.00) from Tinian Local Law 20-9; Five Thousand Dollars ($5,000.00) from Tinian Local Law 20-17; and One Thousand Forty Dollars ($1,040.00) from Tinian Local Law 20-17; and for other purposes.”

begs leave to report as follows:

I. RECOMMENDATION:

After conducting financial due diligence, your committee recommends that House Local Bill No. 23-6 be transmitted to the Tinian and Aguiguan Legislative Delegation for action.
II. ANALYSIS:

A. Purpose:

To re-appropriate Eleven Thousand Two Hundred Forty-Six Dollars ($11,246.00) allotted under Tinian Local Law 18-09; Fourteen Thousand One Hundred Fifty-Nine Dollars ($14,159.00) allotted under Tinian Local Law 19-13; Thirty Thousand Eight Hundred Eighty-Two Dollars ($30,882.00) from Tinian Local Law 19-15; One Hundred Ninety-One Dollars ($191.00) from Tinian Local Law 20-9; Five Thousand Dollars ($5,000.00) from Tinian Local Law 20-17; and One Thousand Forty Dollars ($1,040.00) from Tinian Local Law 20-17. A total of Sixty-Two Thousand Five Hundred Eighteen Dollars ($62,518.00) will be appropriated to the Mayor of the Municipality of Tinian and Aguiguan for personnel and operations.

B. Committee Findings:

Your Committee on Ways and Means to which House Local Bill No. 23-6: “To re-appropriate Eleven Thousand Two Hundred Forty-Six Dollars ($11,246.00) allotted under Tinian Local Law 18-09; Fourteen Thousand One Hundred Fifty-Nine Dollars ($14,159.00) allotted under Tinian Local Law 19-13; Thirty Thousand Eight Hundred Eighty-Two Dollars ($30,882.00) from Tinian Local Law 19-15; One Hundred Ninety-One Dollars ($191.00) from Tinian Local Law 20-9; Five Thousand Dollars ($5,000.00) from Tinian Local Law 20-17; and One Thousand Forty Dollars ($1,040.00) from Tinian Local Law 20-17; and for other purposes.” was referred to verify and confirm that the amount specified in the local appropriation Act is accurate and available for appropriation. The Committee received the Certification of Local Funds from the Tinian Municipal Treasurer dated February 13, 2023, certifying the availability of these funds, therefore, the Committee recommends that House Local Bill No. 23-6 be transmitted to the Tinian and Aguiguan Legislative Delegation for action. Tinian Municipal Treasurer Certification of Local Funds has been attached as part of this committee report.

C. Legislative History:

House Local Bill 23-6 was introduced by Representative Patrick H. San Nicolas on March 9, 2023 and was subsequently referred to the House Standing Committee on Ways and Means for disposition.
III. CONCLUSION:

The Committee is content and confident with the certification of funds provided by the Tinian Municipal Treasurer with respect to House Local Bill No. 23-6, and therefore recommends that it be transmitted to the Tinian and Aguiguan Legislative Delegation for action.

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. Ralph N. Tumul, Chairman
Rep. Roman C. Benavente, Member
Rep. Joel C. Camacho, Member
Rep. Manny Gregory T. Castro, Member
Rep. Thomas John DLG. Manglona, Member
Rep. John Paul P. Sablan, Member

Rep. Bias Jonathan "BJ" T. Attao, Vice Chair
Rep. Angelo A. Camacho, Member
Rep. Vicente C. Camacho, Member
Rep. Joseph A. Flores, Member
Rep. Julie Marie A. Ogo, Member
Rep. Patrick H. San Nicolas, Member

Reviewed by: [Signature] 3-13-23
House Legal Counsel

Attachment: Certification of Local Funds, Tinian Municipal Treasurer dated Feb. 13, 2023
DATE: February 13, 2013

TO: Honorable Karl King-Nabors
    Chairman, Tinian Legislative Delegation

FROM: Tinian Municipal Treasurer

SUBJECT: Certification of Local Funds

This is to certify that the following unused local funds in the amount of $93,519.02 are available for re-appropriation:

- T.L.L. 19-13(b) Lump Sum Payment of Annual Leave $14,159.32
- T.L.L. 20-9, 52(a) Tinian Premiere Football Club $151.22
- T.L.L. 20-17,52(c) Tinian Premiere Football Club $1,040.00
- T.L.L. 20-17,52(b) Tinian Guesthouse Patio/Outside Kitchen $5,000.00
- T.L.L. 22-04,52(a) Slaughter House Generator $30,000.00
- T.L.L. 18-09,51(b) Retroactive Salary $11,246.44

For additional information, please do not hesitate to call me at the telephone number (670) 433-2275.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Maria Barbara C. Borja

cc: Mayor Edwin P. Alden
    Senator Jude U. Hofschneider
    Senator Francisco O. Cruz
    Congressman Patrick H. San Nicolas