



COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS

Eloy S. Inos
Governor

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Lieutenant Governor

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

16 AUG 2013

Honorable Ralph DLG. Torres
Senate President, The Senate
Eighteenth Northern Marianas
Commonwealth Legislature
Saipan, MP 96950

Dear Mr. Speaker and Mr. President:

This is to inform you that I have signed into law House Bill No. 18-64, entitled, "To amend Rota Local Law No. 17-6; and for other purposes," which was passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate of the Eighteenth Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature.

This bill becomes **Public Law No. 18-15**. Copies bearing my signature are forwarded for your reference.

Sincerely,

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

ELOY S. INOS

cc: Lt. Governor; Attorney General's Office; Public School System; Press Secretary; Special Assistant for Administration; Special Assistant for Programs and Legislative Review



Eighteenth Legislature
of the
Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

First Special Session

April 25, 2013

Representative Teresita A. Santos, of Rota, Precinct 7 (*for herself*), in an open and public meeting with an opportunity for the public to comment, introduced the following Bill:

H. B. No. 18-64

AN ACT

TO AMEND ROTA LOCAL LAW NO. 17-6; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

The Bill was referred to the House Committee on Judiciary and Governmental Operations, which submitted Standing Committee Report 18-31, adopted on May 9, 2013.

THE BILL WAS PASSED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES ON FIRST AND FINAL READING, JUNE 21, 2013;
without amendments and transmitted to the
THE SENATE.

The Bill was not referred to a Senate Committee.
THE BILL WAS PASSED BY THE SENATE ON FIRST AND FINAL READING, JULY 12, 2013;
without amendments.

H. B. 18-64 WAS RETURNED TO THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES ON JULY 15, 2013.

THE BILL WAS FINALLY PASSED ON JUNE 21, 2013.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "L. Muña", written over a horizontal line.

Linda B. Muña, House Clerk



*Eighteenth Legislature
of the
Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands*
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

First Day, First Special Session

June 21, 2013

H. B. 18-64

**AN ACT
TO AMEND ROTA LOCAL LAW NO. 17-6; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

**Be it enacted by the Eighteenth Northern Marianas Commonwealth
Legislature:**

1 **Section 1. Findings.** The Legislature finds that Rota Local Law 17-6 renamed the
2 Rota Junior High School located in Songsong Village, Rota to “Dr. Rita Hocog Inos Junior
3 High School” in recognition and appreciation of Dr. Inos’ untiring and outstanding
4 contributions to the Public Schools System and to the people of the Commonwealth.

5 The Legislature further finds that on August 25th, 2011, the Board of Education
6 (BOE) voted and approved to merge Dr. Rita Hocog Inos Junior High School and Rota High
7 School. In light of the BOE’s decision to merge the two schools, it would only be fitting that
8 the name be kept.

9 The purpose of this Act is to assure the continuity in honoring the legacy of the late
10 Dr. Rita Hocog Inos and her dedication, achievements, contributions and commitment to the
11 Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands Public Schools System.

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1 **Section 2. Amendment.** Rota Local Law 17-6, Section 2 is hereby amended to read
2 as follows:

3 **“Renaming of the Rota Junior/Senior High School.** The Rota
4 Junior/Senior High School located in Songsong Village, Rota is hereby renamed as
5 the *“Dr. Rita Hocog Inos Junior/Senior High School”* in recognition and
6 appreciation of her untiring and outstanding contributions to the Public Schools
7 System and to the people of the Commonwealth.”

8 **Section 3. Severability.** If any provisions of this Act or the application of any such
9 provision to any person or circumstance should be held invalid by a court of competent
10 jurisdiction, the remainder of this Act or the application of its provisions to persons or
11 circumstances other than those to which it is held invalid shall not be affected thereby.


12 **Section 4. Savings Clause.** This Act and any repealer contained herein shall not be
13 construed as affecting any existing right acquired under contract or acquired under statutes
14 repealed or under any rule, regulation or order adopted under the statutes. Repealers
15 contained in this Act shall not affect any proceeding instituted under or pursuant to prior law.
16 The enactment of the Act shall not have the effect of terminating, or in any way modifying,
17 any liability, civil or criminal, which shall already be in existence on the date this Act
18 becomes effective.

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Section 5. Effective Date. Upon its approval by the Governor, or its becoming law without such approval.

Attested to by: 
Linda B. Muña, House Clerk

Certified by: 
SPEAKER JOSEPH P. DELEON GUERRERO
House of Representatives
18th Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature

~~Approved~~ this 16TH day of AUGUST, 2013


ELOY S. INOS
Governor
Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands