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

The Honorable Edith E. Deleon Guerrero
President of the Senate
Twenty-Third Northern Marianas
Commonwealth Legislature
Saipan, MP 96950

Dear Mr. Speaker and Madame President:

This is to inform you that I have signed into law House Bill No. 23-75, entitled, “To re-appropriate Thirteen Thousand Four Hundred One Dollars ($13,401.00) allotted under Public Law No. 20-61; and for other purposes.”, which was passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate of the Twenty-Third Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature.

This bill becomes Public Law No. 23-16. Copies bearing my signature are forwarded for your reference.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

ARNOLD I. PALACIOS
Governor

cc: Lieutenant Governor; Attorney General; Commonwealth Law Revision;
Public Auditor; Secretary of Finance; Resident Director, Rota DPS;
Special Assistant for Administration; Programs and Legislative Review Office

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December 22, 2023

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

Dear Governor Palacios:

I have the honor of transmitting herewith for your action H. B. No. 23-75, entitled: “To re-appropriate Thirteen thousand four hundred one dollars ($13,401.00) allotted under Public Law No. 20-61; and for other purposes.”, which was passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate of the Twenty-Third Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature.

Sincerely yours,

Linda B. Muna
House Clerk

Attachment
H. B. No. 23-75
AN ACT
TO RE-APPROPRIATE THIRTEEN THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED ONE DOLLARS ($13,401.00) ALLOTTED UNDER PUBLIC LAW NO. 20-61; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The Bill was referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means, which submitted

THE BILL WAS PASSED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES ON
FIRST AND FINAL READING, NOVEMBER 6, 2023;
without amendments and transmitted to THE SENATE.

IN THE SENATE

The Bill was referred to the Senate Committee on Fiscal Affairs, which submitted

THE BILL WAS PASSED BY THE SENATE ON FIRST AND FINAL READING, DECEMBER 19, 2023;
without amendments and returned to THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

H. B. NO. 23-75 IS DULY PASSED BY THE TWENTY-THIRD NORTHERN MARIANAS COMMONWEALTH LEGISLATURE.

Linda B. Muña, House Clerk
Public Law No. 23-16

TWENTY-THIRD NORTHERN MARIANAS COMMONWEALTH LEGISLATURE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

EIGHTH DAY, SECOND REGULAR SESSION

NOVEMBER 6, 2023

H. B. No. 23-75

AN ACT

TO RE-APPROPRIATE THIRTEEN THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED ONE DOLLARS ($13,401.00) ALLOTTED UNDER PUBLIC LAW NO. 20-61; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE TWENTY-THIRD NORTHERN MARIANAS COMMONWEALTH LEGISLATURE:

1. SECTION 1. FINDINGS AND PURPOSES.

   The legislature finds that Public Law No. 20-61 appropriated Fifteen Million Dollars from the Special Casino Gross Revenue Tax Account to various programs in the First, Second and Third Senatorial Districts. Funds specifically appropriated to the First Senatorial District for the Rota DPS Academy was not completely exhausted therefore the remaining balance will be re-appropriated so that the Rota DPS can utilize the funds for its operations and fuel.

   The purpose of this Act is to re-appropriate Thirteen thousand four hundred one dollars ($13,401.00) allotted under Public Law No. 20-61, Section 2 (c)(1)(E).
SECTION 2. RE-APPROPRIATION.

Notwithstanding any provisions, statutes, laws or regulations to the contrary, Thirteen thousand four hundred one dollars ($13,401.00) allotted under Public Law No. 20-61, specifically under Section 2 (c)(1)(E) is hereby appropriated as follows:

(a) Thirteen thousand four hundred one dollars ($13,401.00) to the Rota DPS for fuel and operations under the expenditure authority of the Rota DPS Resident Director.

SECTION 3. FISCAL YEAR LIMITATION AND REPROGRAMMING.

Notwithstanding any laws, provisions or regulations to the contrary, the funds appropriated under Section 2 of this Act shall not be reprogrammed for any other purpose and all the funds shall be available for expenditure without fiscal year limitations.

SECTION 4. SEVERABILITY.

If any provisions 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 it becoming law without
such approval.

Attested to by:  
Linda B. Muña, House Clerk

Certified by:
SPEAKER EDMUND S. VILLAGOMEZ  
House of Representatives  
23rd Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature

Approved this 8th day of January, 2024

ARNOLD I. PALACIOS  
Governor  
Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands