



# House Journal

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The House of Representatives of the Fifteenth Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature convened its Fourteenth Day, Second Regular Session on September 28, 2006, at 8:47 a.m., in the House Chamber on Capitol Hill, Saipan, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

The Honorable Oscar M. Babauta, Speaker of the House, presided.

A moment of silence was observed.

The Clerk called the roll and ~~fourteen~~ fifteen members were present. Representative Arnold I. Palacios ~~is~~ was excused. Representatives Manuel A. Tenorio and Stanley T. Torres came in late.

Speaker Babauta: ~~Quorum~~ A quorum is present for this morning's session. Any introduction of Bills? None. Since we do not have anything on the Agenda this morning other than Resolution...unless there are Communications, I recognize Representative Tebuteb.

Rep. Tebuteb: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I know that part of our session today is to accommodate our good Representative from the Senatorial District. I was just wondering if he could indulge us with the compromise of why we are going to entertain his request for today's session. Although the

appropriation is going to come from the Poker Fee for the First Senatorial District, there has been some issues that we had asked the good Chairman of Ways and Means to provide us, and one of them was the settlement of the obligations for the CNMI particularly the First Senatorial District on the reimbursement of the Typhoon Pongsona vendors. Thank you.

Speaker Babauta: I would allow discussion under item Number 7, House Communication, and I recognize Representative Ogo.

### **HOUSE COMMUNICATIONS**

Rep. Ogo: Let me begin by saying that I want to thank the Chair for having this Special Session today for the purpose of addressing the needs of the Rota Liaison Office here on Saipan. It is essential that this Local Appropriation Bill clear the House for the reason that currently we have an issue with our transportation with our Rota Liaison Office in Saipan. I was with the Chairman of the Delegation yesterday and informed him that today would be the third day that the House Local Bill would be calendared and to be expecting the Appropriation Bill hopefully by today. That would really assist our patients because we cannot really afford to continue renting a van, and I am very pleased with the decision of the Speaker to have this Bill calendared today or to exit the House. Now, the issue with the request from Representative Tebuteb, of course, it is forthcoming and I will make sure that the information would be provided to you. However, let me just share that until now those vendors from the previous Typhoon Pongsona have not been paid. I spoke to the Acting Resident Director, Mr. Martin Atalig in Rota about an issue that we brought up that we do not need to have the Solid Waste Funds go through an Appropriation Bill, however, he can simply or the Mayor of Rota can request through the Secretary of Finance to request that the \$175,000.00 funding

that is available under the Solid Waste Management Fund for the First Senatorial District. If there are any other questions, please feel free to ask. Thank you.

Speaker Babauta: I assume that the distinguished Representative from Saipan is probably alluding to the Delegations request, but I also assume that he is asking whether the Delegation would be amendable to contribute \$1,000.00 to the CHC Volunteer Association this morning.

Rep. Ogo: Mr. Speaker, I cannot answer that without talking to the Chairman of the Rota Legislative Delegation.

Speaker Babauta: Would you be kind enough to indulge conversation as you deliberate on this Local Bill to show an active participation of our Rota patients to the CHC volunteers?

Rep. Ogo: That would not be a problem, Mr. Speaker, probably if we do have a session any time next week, I will bring that up.

The Chair recognized Representative Tebuteb.

Rep. Tebuteb: I did not quite get the response with regards to the reimbursement of the vendors from Typhoon Pongsona, and I know that although this would come out from the Poker Fee from the First Senatorial District, the First Senatorial District still seem to have a pending obligation to pay these vendors. I realized that the funding is worthwhile, but I am just kind of concern that we need to put a closure to the vendor issues.

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The Chair recognized Representative Ogo.

Rep. Ogo: Like what I mentioned earlier, Mr. Speaker, I spoke to the Acting Director whether he or the Mayor write a letter to the Secretary of Public Works for that \$175,000.00 that is available under our Solid Waste Management Fund. They can request that fund, and hopefully retire the vendors' fee.

Speaker Babauta: Can you get all those information and have it disseminated at the next session whether or not how many vendors are still awaiting for their payments in Rota.

Rep. Ogo: Mr. Speaker, currently there are three vendors that still have not been paid in the amount of \$45,000.00. Like I said, that \$50,000.00 previously that we allocated for DPW...the Director at that time utilized those funds for the purchase of heavy equipment parts for our dumping site in Tatachi. Like I said, I recommended to the Acting Director to request from the Secretary of the Department of Public Works to utilize that \$175,000.00 for the payment. That was my recommendation.

Speaker Babauta: Because we continue to wait for this answer and at the same time we continue to appropriate money to which we need to satisfy some of these vendors first before...continue.

Rep. Ogo: Mr. Speaker, I believe you mentioned that we will be having a short recess as we wait for the other members of the volunteers. I am planning to just put in line the Acting Director of DPW if anyone would like...

Speaker Babauta: Let us do that at a later time, but just take note please. This is a serious matter that several of the members expressed their concerns because we have been deliberating with this issue for the past three to four years. So we need to put to rest the issue of the funding that has to deal with Typhoon Pongsona. I recognize Representative Tebuteb.

Rep. Tebuteb: Also in my statement, Mr. Speaker, the compromise that I was asking, the Saipan Delegation has appropriated certain amount of money most especially to the hyperbaric chamber and CT Scan, and that is the compromise that I was trying to allude to if there is any for us to accommodate the First Senatorial District, and I am glad that the Chairman had mentioned that there would be some sort of a gift to the CHC Volunteers from the First Senatorial District.

Speaker Babauta: I must apologize that I took your assumption earlier.

Rep. Ogo: Point of clarification, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker Babauta:...and ask him to discuss with the Delegation whether or not certain percent can be given to...or maybe for that matter a thousand dollars donation from the Delegation to the CHC Volunteers Association.

Rep. Ogo: Mr. Speaker, let me just clarify. I am happy that the members of the CHC Volunteers are present here this morning. I just want to correct my good colleague Tebuteb for saying that I am committing. I am simply saying, Mr. Speaker, because of your request that I will mention it to the Rota Delegation. I cannot commit only on my part, but I will mention. I have seen in Rota, some donated equipments from the volunteers, and through that message, the possibility because of

course, the volunteers have send down few items and I just want to point that out. I have seen it and I applaud them, but please, I did not say that I am committing. I would try my best to encourage the members of the Delegation. Thank you.

Speaker Babauta: Everybody knows in this Chamber that you are a very good influencer. So we would put our trust on you.

Rep. Ogo: Mr. Speaker, in the same token, it would be a nice gesture because during the 14<sup>th</sup> Legislature, there was a little league program that came over and asked for assistance and at that time, former Representative Norman Palacios brought up the idea of why not having everyone in the House commit \$1,000.00 each. So I want to challenge everyone in this House. This is not only for the Rota Legislative Delegation, but I seconded former Congressman Palacios by accepting the challenge for \$1,000.00. It would be nice to donate \$18,000.00 will be just great for the CHC Volunteers. So I want to propose and move that since we are already putting this out on the table, I move that every member of this House since the new fiscal year is coming up, let us commit to a \$1,000.00. Anyone to second?

The move was seconded.

Speaker Babauta: Okay, just to clarify that commitment, Chairman Ogo, the Representatives from the Third Senatorial District to which they represent the island of Saipan and North have committed themselves last week to the tune of a little over \$300,000.00 for the CHC Volunteers Association. They are fundraising now to buy a hyperbaric chamber and also a CT scan. So we have answered their request. Now we are only requesting because the hyperbaric chamber would also benefit our

people of Rota and Tinian in the future primarily our tourist that would visit these islands. So yes, the Third Senatorial Representatives have answered that challenge already. It should be signed by the Governor in the next couple of days if not at the end of the week. So your answer is yes at \$1,000.00.

Rep. Ogo: Mr. Speaker, that is two different issues because the \$200,000.00 came from your local revenue collection. My challenge here is coming out of your account for other needs other than the hyperbaric chamber.

Speaker Babauta: Let me recognize the Vice Speaker, whether or not he has some in the account.

Vice Speaker Quitugua: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I thank you for reminding our good colleagues from Rota that the Saipan Delegation has committed \$300,000.00 and has approved that amount for the hyperbaric chamber, and I understand that the volunteers are also fundraising so that they can add on to the \$300,000.00 for the hyperbaric chamber. I would also like to air my encouragement that the First Senatorial District assists the volunteers through their Delegation funds so that we can meet the amount that is needed to purchase the hyperbaric chamber. At the same, Mr. Speaker, I do not want to make our colleague from Tinian feel that he is not encouraged to also participate in this fund drive for the hyperbaric chamber because I know that they will be appropriating from their delegation funds too, and think about putting a little money so that the volunteers can have enough to purchase the hyperbaric chamber. The hyperbaric chamber is not only for Saipan. It is for CHC, and CHC is a Commonwealth hospital, and it is for everybody. Both Rota and Tinian sends patience here and they will be also utilizing it. With that, Mr. Speaker, I thank the two Representatives from

the First and Second Senatorial District for matching the \$300,000.00, contributing to making the hyperbaric chamber purchase possible. Thank you.

The Chair recognized Representative Ogo.

Rep. Ogo: Mr. Speaker, let me just share because I am very much happy that the Saipan Delegation, not the House of Representatives, the Saipan Delegation approved a \$300,000.00 fund for the hyperbaric chamber. That, I understand. My earlier request and challenge was out of everyone's account, which is \$18,000.00 more for CHC Volunteer. There is a separation of amounts here, Mr. Speaker, one is coming from the Saipan Delegation, and my request is to give more by providing out of each of our accounts \$1,000.00 to increase the \$300,000.00, and that would include Saipan and Tinian. Thank you.

Speaker Babauta: Since time is of essence for our volunteers, let me just recognize our Chairwoman.

Rep. Kaipat: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I know that the Delegation is not against your suggestion, your challenge of \$1,000.00 out of our personal accounts, but we also wished to encourage you as the Representative of your Rota Delegation, to also contribute from your Delegation funds just like we will all be doing so that we all contribute equally to the CHC Volunteers. Given that the Third Senatorial District Delegation has contributed funds of \$300,000.00 for the hyperbaric chamber, and you issuing an additional challenge to us to contribute \$1,000.00 out of our personal accounts, the only thing we are asking is that you issue the same challenge to yourselves so that we all contribute

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equally, all for the sake of helping all our people whether they are from Tinian, Rota, Saipan or the Northern Islands.

Rep. Ogo: Since that question is addressed to me...

Speaker Babauta: Let me recognize Representative Aldan, but before I do that, Clerk, please take note that the Acting Minority Leader is now present in the Chamber. Representative Aldan, I now recognize you.

Rep. Aldan: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I think there are two issues here. One is from our personal account and the other is the contribution from the Delegation. I cannot speak coming from the Tinian Delegation, but I am pretty sure that if we discuss this on the local budget level, I am pretty sure that we will contribute because it is for a good cost. It will support the whole CNMI. It is not just for Saipan.

Speaker Babauta: I am beginning to trust you more.

Rep. Aldan: The other thing, Mr. Speaker, as far as personal account, I will contribute my personal account, my 10% salary deduction, I will personally contribute that for the CHC Volunteer. Thank you.

The Chair recognized Representative Taman.

Rep. Taman: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. So much for generosity...my comment this morning will probably be not in line with item 7, and I ask the indulgence of this body to please allow me.

There was no objection.

Speaker Babauta: Proceed.

Rep. Taman: Mr. Speaker, I am still having so much difficulty since I came back from surgery. I have so much difficulty getting dressed without the assistance of my wife. This morning, I took a lot of time to get dressed to come to this session only to see that a lot of my colleagues here are not properly dressed, and I am wondering if the dress code have been changed during my absence. Thank you very much.

Speaker Babauta: Well, you were here yesterday when I announced that because of the session was actually called to adhere to the statute where a Local Bill should appear for three days, at the same time to accommodate our distinguished hard working volunteers that we are about to present a Resolution, so I indulge discussion with all of you yesterday and apparently no one objected to it. Before we move to recess to receive our guests this morning, let us move back to item number 3, and I recognize Representative Tebuteb.

## **ADOPTION OF JOURNALS**

None

## **INTRODUCTION OF BILLS**

H. B. NO. 15-184: A Bill for an Act to amend Title 2, Division 5, Chapter 6 of the Commonwealth Code by adding a new Section Article 4 to establish recreational fishing license fees; and for other purposes.

Offered by: Rep. Ramon A. Tebuteb and three others

Referred to: Committee on

H. B. NO. 15-185: A Bill for an Act to amend 4 CMC § 51203 to require businesses to post a notice regarding the Sales Receipt Act 2002 within their business establishment; and for other purposes.

Offered by: Rep. Martin B. Ada and seven others

Referred to: Committee on

Speaker Babauta: Before we go on recess, once again, I would like to inform our President of our CHC Volunteers Association that last week, the Saipan Delegation had approved an appropriation of \$300,000.00 for the Association. This is to help the Association in buying the needed equipment for our hospital which consists of your major fundraiser event this year and that is the hyperbaric chamber and the CT SCAN to which this legislation would eventually be signed if not at the end of the week, hopefully early next week by the Governor. So I wish to inform all of you that the Third Senatorial District had answered your call and we are happy to be a part of that. We are happy to help out because we know that these equipments would save many lives and prolong the lives of those that are presently ill at this time so that they can enjoy more time with their families from hereon. So with that, I recognize the Floor Leader.

Floor Leader Florencio Deleon Guerrero: So moved, Mr. Speaker, for a short recess to accept the CHC Volunteers.

The House recessed at 9:16 a.m.

### **RECESS**

The House reconvened at 9:30 a.m.

### **INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS**

H. J. R. No. 15-12: A House Joint Resolution to approve five additional full-time employees (FTEs) for the Rota Municipal Council to assist the office in efficiently meeting its needs.

Offered by: Rep. Crispin M. Ogo

### **MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR**

None

### **SENATE COMMUNICATIONS**

None

### **MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR**

None

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**HOUSE COMMUNICATIONS**

None

**COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE JUDICIAL BRANCH**

None

**COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE RESIDENT REPRESENTATIVE**

None

**COMMUNICATIONS FROM DEPARTMENTS & AGENCIES**

None

**OTHER COMMUNICATIONS**

None

**REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES**

None

**REPORTS OF SPECIAL AND CONFERENCE COMMITTEES**

None

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None

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## **RESOLUTION CALENDAR**

None

## **BILL CALENDAR**

None

## **ANNOUNCEMENT**

The Chair recognized Representative Ogo.

Rep. Ogo: Mr. Speaker, there is a space in my office that is unfilled for bottled water for San Francisco De Borja Fiesta, so if anyone wants to fill up my office for bottled water, that would be really grateful. At the same time, the Committee on Ways and Means met yesterday and we decided to hold the three public hearings for minimum wage bill and the Municipality scale salary. The first public hearing will be held in Rota on October 12<sup>th</sup>. The second will be on the 17<sup>th</sup> in Tinian and October 19<sup>th</sup> here on Saipan at the Multi-purpose Center. So to the members of Ways and Means, please be advised.

Speaker Babauta: Members, please take note. I recognize Representative Yumul.

Rep. Yumul: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I will contribute \$1,000.00 from my account to the volunteers.

Speaker Babauta: 17-49 is my account. Thank you for your gesture. I recognize Representative Kaipat.

Rep. Kaipat: Thank you. I just want to remind my colleagues, those of you who will be on island tomorrow to please join us at 8:30 a.m. at the American Memorial Park at the Marianas Memorial for our graduation and the unveiling of the new Beautify CNMI logo and also the Proclamation signing to celebrate the public lands day. The invitation is issued to the staff as well. Coffee and donuts will be there for those early birds who show up.

Speaker Babauta: I would like to inform the members because yesterday there was a request under House Communication with respect to the issuance of the Emergency Regulation. I have verbally talked to our Attorney General yesterday afternoon, and unfortunately, he had a prior commitment this morning to answer to some court cases, but I told him that I will be officially writing him a letter to request his appearance in our next scheduled session. In that letter, I will not indicate the date, but I will inform him that between now and the next session, I will give his office a call so that he can clarify some of those provisions in the Emergency Regulations. I recognize Representative Torres.

Rep. Torres: It is troublesome...why could they not just answer my request and provide the House as a whole. I wrote that letter seven days ago and what is the excuse of having deaf ear --...

Speaker Babauta: I would inform him of that. I must apologize that I did not bring up your letter to his office, but I brought up the concerns of the members that was discussed yesterday in general aspects of the regulation. I would do that. I recognize the Minority Leader.

Acting Minority Leader Tenorio: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, under Miscellaneous.

## **MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS**

Acting Minority Leader Tenorio: It bothers me that every time you open or read the newspaper, you see another department asking for exemption. Can we get someone from the Administration when we meet next time to assess us of what is happening with the Holiday Austerity. So many exemptions are in now; perhaps the \$6 Million target that the Administration has in mind will never be achieved. How are we going to achieve that? I mean, we have to prepare for this because next thing you know, somebody from some department is going to come up here and introduce another exemption. It is ridiculous.

Speaker Babauta: These are just desires of each agency that wanted to partake in the Special Provision, but it does not necessarily mean that they will be granted. That is the reason why the Governor had clarified his earlier exemption and allows only certain key people within for instance like DEQ. There was a whole bunch in the list and now it came back with four. I am sure you are talking about the NMHC?

Acting Minority Leader Tenorio: Yes.

Speaker Babauta: I guess that is their personal views that they foresee, but I doubt the Administration would grant those because they do not fall as a must need basis in those particular days. I recognize Representative Taman.

Rep. Taman: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I was just wondering if there was ever a list of government personnel who are exempted that is provided to your office.

Speaker Babauta: There is. I have sent that out to be copied for House Communication, but...Clerk, did you receive those? Okay. I will make sure that all the officers got copy.

Rep. Ogo: Mr. Speaker, I remembered receiving that.

Speaker Babauta: It was written to the Presiding Officers in the Senate and the House. I recognize Representative Ogo.

Rep. Ogo: On another note, yesterday, during our Ways and Means meeting, this is very interesting that I had observed because during our Budget Committee meeting, Representative Yumul provided a power point. Yesterday, we had to request the legal counsel to go and redo the amendment that we wanted and I realized that we wasted so many papers for redoing all these changes. Considering the idea that Representative Yumul did during our Budget meeting, we hardly wasted any paper because everyone was just looking at the power point and making changes. I just want to request through you that probably we can have the same type of unit so that every committee member will have access to that so that we do not spend that much on papers. Every committee shall have access to that modern technology.

Speaker Babauta: Well, that is the purpose of Committee funds, and that is to procure the needed materials in order for the Committee to function.

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Rep. Ogo: Mr. Speaker, if it is Committee funds and at the end of our term, eventually, we have to donate that somewhere.

Speaker Babauta: No. That belongs to the Legislature.

Rep. Ogo: If the Bureau have its own, maybe we can utilize that access.

Speaker Babauta: We will look into that and I will indulge conversation with the Bureau, but there are limitations to the Bureau also.

Rep. Ogo: Lastly, I think this is long overdue, but I just want to say to Representative Yumul, thank you for the power point.

Speaker Babauta: Let me just inform you ahead of time so that you do not get caught by surprise. We are trying to expedite...I and the Senate President had indulged conversation yesterday, apparently, Marianas Cablevision has offered a public service channel. So we are now looking into having sessions both the Senate and the House will be recorded and will be transmitted to the MCV right away for an explicit public service show. Be aware that once we start utilizing that, we need to be professional. I recognize Representative Torres.

Rep. Torres: Mr. Speaker, that is not good enough. If MCV is looking at being exempted from the PUC, they should have a direct live and not recorded or one day later.

Speaker Babauta: MCV will not be exempted in that particular statute.

Rep. Torres: I heard something from the Senate that they will not pass it if they include Marianas Cablevision.

Speaker Babauta: No. No. I recognize Representative Taman.

Rep. Taman: The program at the Chamorro and Carolinian Language Commission is soon to die because of lack of funds. It is a very important program and I would appreciate if there was an MOU to that affect so that we can share that with the Language Commission.

Speaker Babauta: All public service programs...they would be dedicating a channel particularly for public service programs whether announcements or anything in action with the community or what have we. That is as far as I understand.

Rep. Torres: It is not being enforced.

The Chair recognized Representative Dela Cruz.

Rep. Dela Cruz: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I have been meeting with Senator Pete Reyes on the PUC bill, and some of the concerns that apparently KMCV has is for them to be regulated. While I stressed the importance to Senator Reyes that no one should be spared from the regulations after PUC comes in, I believe Senator Reyes is making some amendments to the PUC over at the Senate and then it will be reverted back us, but in any case, if KMCV is coming out now and offering this

free access channel – since in the beginning I stated that these public access broadcasting should be free to the public be it education, political or anything that has to do with the Commonwealth, as an example; the Jon Gonzales Show and the Chamorro and Carolinian Show. These programs are basically local programs and they have to find sponsors for them to be aired. That should not be the case at all. Everything that is educational that deals with the Commonwealth and non-political should be free to be aired on Cable Television companies programs. So with that said, I now await or I should say, we will await the version from the Senate. Thank you.

Speaker Babauta: Chairman Dela Cruz, I understand that not today, but I was told that they would engage your office and that of the House Committee to sit down and work the amendment with the Senate. So be aware that Senator Reyes would be calling upon you and the House Committee. I recognize Representative Waki.

Rep. Waki: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. In reference to KMCV, before I left to the JATA travel show, earlier in the week, I had dinner with Mr. Thomas Higa who is the new general manager for both Guam and Saipan MCV, and he was asking concerns about basically about the service here. He has heard so many horror stories here and he is the new general manager...completely different concept of style of thinking then the previous management. He basically ask me straight out about how I think about the general manager here, and I said, worthless. Pretty much, he had heard the same thing. So there is going to be a revamping of style, and he was wondering what he can do to improve and he knows that they are overcharging. The cost is just too high. He mentioned that he was looking at reducing the cost.

Speaker Babauta: Is that the Higa that used to be out here?

Rep. Waki: He used to be with Pacific Trading and Miller lite from many, many years. So he is now hired as the new general manager. So he is trying to restructure MCV. They do digital in Guam and that is about one hundred some channels, and they are thinking about doing it here, but right now, he is looking at improving the service because he has heard many horror stories about Saipan service where shows are repeated or cut off. I told him directly that I do not subscribe to MCV because it is just too much, and they know that I am watching basically everything over and over again. We did discuss about the free channel, and he said, what should we do? I said, number one, you guys are charging for local public service announcements and educational programming, we asked if we can have one channel and your general manager here says that the channel 7 is an important channel to MCV because they have the news. Remember when we had that meeting here, he said, we cannot demean that channel, but at the end of his statement towards the end of the meeting, he said, they are not making any money on the news channel. So how can you demean something that is not making any money? So he realized, and he says, they are losing money on the news completely so they would prefer to give the channel for free. I told him that we have Fish and Wildlife and Solid Waste that are getting federal grants that are doing public documentaries and they have to spend thousands of dollars a year just to air something when we could be using that on programs. So he said, he would look at getting that free channel, but then we discussed about the PUC bill, and he knows that he cannot be exempt. But you know within the FCC laws...he understands that is something separate. The Government has got to do what the government has got to do. So all he wants is to provide better service. So this is probably one of the things that are happening or looking at providing, but they do not expect to be exempted from being regulated. That has nothing to do with anything. He realizes that they need to improve to keep the customers because there is competition coming. TV 14 out of Guam, the Sorenson Group, is thinking of

bringing over two channels and all you have to do is to put up your antenna like the old and you could get two channels for free. So that is coming soon and the competition is going to be coming. They need to basically upgrade their services and lower their cost. Actually, I am supposed to be communicating with him on what he has come up with, but it is nice to hear that there is already some communication with the Legislature from MCV here and that is a positive sign. I think we are going in the right direction, but please understand that they know that they are not exempt because we cannot exempt them because we cannot just do that. That is like bribery. We will not go there. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker Babauta: Thank you for the information. Ready.

Several members voiced, “ready.”

Speaker Babauta: Floor Leader, for recess subject to the call of the Chair.

Floor Leader Florencio Deleon Guerrero: So moved, Mr. Speaker.

The House adjourned at 9:50 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Vicky T. Guerrero, Journal Clerk  
House of Representatives

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## **APPEARANCE OF LOCAL BILLS**

**First Appearance of a local bill is the day of introduction**

**SECOND APPEARANCE**

None

**THIRD APPEARANCE:**

H. L. B. No. 15-47: To rename San Ignacio Drive road in Talafofo, Saipan, to Herman Drive; and for other purposes. (Rep. Justo S. Quitugua)

H. L. B. No. 15-48: To appropriate \$2,000,000.00 to the Marianas Visitors Authority from the fees generated under Public Law 11-64, as amended by Public Law 13-16 (Rep. Ray N. Yumul)

H. L. B. No. 15-49: To appropriate \$60,000.00 from the First Senatorial District Poker Fees for a passenger van for the Rota Liaison Office and subsistence for Rota patients; and for other purposes. (Rep. Crispin M. Ogo)