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Pursuant to the House Rules of Procedures and the authority under the NMI Constitution, the Speaker of the House of Representatives announces that the House of Representatives of the Twenty-Fourth Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature will convene the following open and public meeting:

Meeting: House of Representatives Sixth Day, Second Regular Session

Date and Time: Friday, October 24, 2025, at 10:00 AM

Location: House Chamber, Vice Speaker Jesus P. Mafnas Memorial

Building, Capitol Hill

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TWENTY-FOURTH NORTHERN MARIANAS COMMONWEALTH LEGISLATURE

Honorable Jesus P. Mafnas Memorial Building P. O. BOX 500586 Saipan, MP 96950

EDMUND SABLAN VILLAGOMEZ SPEAKER

MEMORANDUM

DATE

: 17 October 2025

TO

: ALL HOUSE MEMBERS

FROM

: Speaker Edmund S. Villagomez

SUBJECT

: Call for Session, 6th Day, 2nd Regular Session

Pursuant to the House Rules of Procedure and the authority vested in me under the NMI Constitution, I hereby call for the 6th Day, 2nd Regular Session for Friday, 24 October 2025 at 10:00 a.m. in the House Chamber.

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cc: Senate President
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SESSION DAY

CALENDAR DAY

TIME

6th Day, Second Regular Session

Friday, October 24, 2025

10:00 a.m.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

A Moment of Silence

- 1. **ROLL CALL**
- **PUBLIC COMMENTS** 2.
- 3. **ADOPTION OF JOURNALS** – (1)

Third Day, Second Regular Session Journal – September 9, 2025

- 4. INTRODUCTION OF BILLS
 - House Bills: A.

H. B. No. 24-68

To conditionally authorize the Marianas Public Land Trust to establish a margin account solely to facilitate the \$29,000,000 loan authorized under Public Law 24-13, subject to the continuing fiduciary and constitutional duties of the Trustees.

Prefiled by: REP. JOHN PAUL P. SABLAN of Saipan, Precinct 2 (for himself, Representatives Vincent R. Aldan, Blas Jonathan "BJ" T. Attao, Roman C. Benavente, Angelo A. Camacho, Joel C. Camacho, Marissa R. Flores, Julie M. A. Ogo, Denita Kaipat Yangetmai, and Ralph N. Yumul)

H. B. No. 24-69

To amend Title 70, Subchapter 70-30.3 of the Northern Mariana Islands Administrative Code by adding a new section to authorize Indefinite-Delivery, Indefinite-Quantity Contracts; and for other purposes.

Prefiled by: REP. MARISSA R. FLORES of Saipan, Precinct 3 (for herself, Representatives Roman C. Benavente, Joel C. Camacho, and Denita Kaipat Yangetmai)

В. House Local Bills:

H. L. B. No. 24-34

To establish the "Saipan Economic Incentive Zone" within the Third Senatorial District, and to authorize the Commonwealth Economic Incentive Authority and other relevant agencies to administer and regulate investment activities within the designated zone.

Prefiled by: REPS. ANGELO A. CAMACHO and REP. VINCENT R. ALDAN (for themselves, Representatives Blas Jonathan "BJ" T. Attao, Joel C. Camacho, Marissa R. Flores, and John Paul P. Sablan)

C. House Legislative Initiatives:

5. INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS

A. House Resolutions:

H. RES. No. 24-15

To honor and express our sincerest gratitude to Mr. Noboru Hirayama who has greatly contributed to the preservation and promotion of Japanese and Saipan history in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands through his work in the reconstruction of the Saipan Katori Shrine.

Prefiled by: REP. EDMUND S. VILLAGOMEZ of Saipan, Precinct 3, (for himself, Representatives Blas Jonathan "BJ" T. Attao, Roman C. Benavente, Angelo A. Camacho, Diego V. F. Camacho, Joel C. Camacho, Marissa R. Flores, Julie M. A. Ogo, Elias J.M. Rangamar, John Paul P. Sablan, Denita Kaipat Yangetmai, and Ralph N. Yumul)

- **B.** House Joint Resolutions:
- *C.* House Commemorative Resolutions:
- **D.** House Concurrent Resolutions:

6. MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR

GOV. COMM. 24-65: (10/14/2025) Governor's Revised Fiscal Year 2026 Budget Submission incorporating austerity measures and critical funding priorities. The document includes Budget Scenario I and Budget Scenario II to illustrate the differences in fiscal outcomes and funding priorities under each scenario. [For info]

GOV. COMM. 24-66: (10/15/2025) Certifying and granting approval for Ms. Samantha Vickery, Assistant Attorney General, at the Office of the Attorney General to receive an annual salary of \$78,000. [For info]

7. **SENATE COMMUNICATIONS** – (None)

8. HOUSE COMMUNICATIONS

HSE. COMM. 24-66: (10/8/2025) From Representative Joseph A. Flores informing the Speaker that he will be out of the Commonwealth on personal leave from October 9, 2025, to October 15, 2025, and respectfully requests to be excused from all scheduled House sessions, committee meetings, and official functions during this period. [For info]

HSE. COMM. 24-67: (10/9/2025) From Representative Roy C. A. Ada informing the Speaker of his extended personal leave of absence through October 17, 2025, and requesting to be excused from all House sessions, committee meetings, and official functions during this period. [For info]

HSE. COMM. 24-68: (10/14/2025) From Representative Thomas John DIC. Manglona informing the Speaker that he will be out of the Commonwealth on personal matters beginning October 15, 2025, until further notice, and respectfully requests to be excused from all legislative sessions, SNILD sessions, committee meetings, and official functions during this period. [For info]

HSE. COMM. 24-69: (10/15/2025)) From Representative Julie M. A. Ogo informing the Speaker that she will be out of the Commonwealth on official business from October 21 to October 24, 2025, and will be on personal leave beginning October 27, 2025, with a date to be determined. And requests to be excused from all official functions during these periods. [For info]

9. **COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE JUDICIAL BRANCH** – (None)

10. COMMUNICATIONS FROM DEPARTMENTS & AGENCIES

DEPT./AGCY. COMM. 24-18: (10/16/2025) From the Department of Commerce submitting FY 2025 Citizen-Centric Report. [For info]

11. MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS

MISC. COMM. 24-63: (10/3/2025) From Jung Ja Kim, landowner of the San Vicente property, responding to the Bureau of Environmental and Coastal Quality (BECQ) Courtesy Notice regarding unlawful dumping, requesting a 90-day extension to complete cleanup, and urging BECQ to investigate parties allegedly responsible for the illegal dumping. [For Info]

MISC. COMM. 24-64: (received 10/16/2025) From the CNMI Council on Development Disabilities Assistive Technology Program submitting FY 2025 Citizen-Centric Report. [For info]

MISC. COMM. 24-65: (10/16/2025) From Lt. Jimmy J. Pua to the Chairperson of the Civil Service Commission, the Director of the Office of Personnel Management, and the Commissioner of the Department of Fire and Emergency Medical Services, regarding his appeal of the proposed disciplinary action dated October 10, 2025, citing due process concerns and requesting review by the Civil Service Commission. [For info]

12. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES – (None)

13. REPORTS OF SPECIAL AND CONFERENCE COMMITTEES – (None)

14. UNFINISHED BUSINESS – (None)

15. RESOLUTION CALENDAR

Resolution	Subject	Action

16. BILL CALENDAR

Bill/Initiative	Subject	Action
H. B. No. 24-45,	A Bill for an Act to re-appropriate Fifty Thousand Dollars	
SD1	(\$50,000.00) under Public Law No. 21-10, Section 2(G), for	
[SEN. COMM. 24-53]	operational expenses of the Office of the Mayor of the	
	Municipality of Rota and for the Rota patients' subsistence	
	allowance.	
H. B. No. 24-33	A Bill for an Act to statutorily define the scope of the	
[S. C. R. No. 24-37]	Commonwealth's annual General Revenues within the	
	meaning of Article XV, Section 1(e) of the NMI	
	Constitution.	
	[Public comments were received in an open and public meeting when the legislation appeared on the House Agenda of October 9, 2025]	

17. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

18. ANNOUNCEMENTS

(ADJOURNMENT)

APPEARANCE OF LOCAL BILLS

FIRST LEGISLATIVE DAY: 1st Legislative appearance of a local bill is on the day it is introduced.

SECOND LEGISLATIVE DAY:

H. L. B. No. 24-29: To rename the "Smiling Cove Marina" the "Diego T. Benavente Smiling Cove Marina" in honor of former Legislator and former Lieutenant Governor Diego Tenorio Benavente. Introduced by REP. VINCENT R. ALDAN of Saipan, Precinct 1 (for himself, Representatives Daniel I. Aquino Jr., Blas Jonathan "BJ" T. Attao, Angelo A. Camacho, Thomas J. DlC. Manglona, John Paul P. Sablan, and Ralph N. Yumul) on October 9, 2025.

THIRD LEGISLATIVE DAY:

Appearance of Measures introduced on the House Floor during the House Session on October 9, 2025:

H. B. No. 24-61: To enact a new Chapter 5 to Title 1, Division 8, Part 1 of the Commonwealth Code to establish dedicated funding and a special account for the Civil Service Commission; to provide a pro rata collection, certification, and transfer mechanism of funds; to authorize a continuing appropriation and expenditure authority; and to require reporting and legislative oversight. Introduced by Representative Thomas J. DIC Manglona on behalf of Rep. Roy C. A. Ada of Saipan, Precinct 1 (for himself) on October 9, 2025; subsequently referred to the House Committee on Judiciary and Governmental Operations.

H. B. No. 24-62: To enact a Uniform Electronic Transactions Act to enable a more robust digital economy in the Commonwealth. Introduced by REP. VINCENT R. ALDAN of Saipan, Precinct 1 (*for himself*, Representatives Blas Jonathan "BJ" T. Attao, Angelo A. Camacho, Thomas J. DlC. Manglona, Edmund S. Villagomez, and Ralph N. Yumul) on October 9, 2025; subsequently referred to the House Committee on Judiciary and Governmental Operations.

H. B. No. 24-63: To amend Title 4 sections 1991 to 1995 relating to the 3% construction tax on gross revenues derived from certain non-residential construction projects and to enact a new section 1996 pertaining to Applicability; and for other purposes. Introduced by Rep. John Paul P. Sablan of Saipan, Precinct 2 (*for himself*, Representatives Roy C.A. Ada, Vincent R. Aldan, Daniel I. Aquino Jr., Blas Jonathan "BJ" T. Attao, Roman C. Benavente, Angelo A. Camacho, Joel C. Camacho, Joseph A. Flores, Malcolm J. Omar, Raymond U. Palacios, Patrick H. San Nicolas, Denita Kaipat Yangetmai, and Ralph N. Yumul) on October 9, 2025; subsequently moved and placed on the Bill Calendar.

- H. B. No. 24-64: To establish the CNMI Vehicle Buy-Back and Modernization Program, enabling the systematic removal and auction of government vehicles seven years or older, regardless of operational status, and directing revenues to the CNMI Modernization Fund to support fleet upgrades across all agencies. Introduced by REP. DANIEL I. AQUINO JR. of Saipan, Precinct 2 (for himself, Representatives Vincent R. Aldan, Angelo A. Camacho, Marissa R. Flores, Elias J.M. Rangamar, John Paul P. Sablan, and Edmund S. Villagomez) on October 9, 2025; subsequently referred to the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.
- H. B. No. 24-65: To transfer the function of business licensing from the Department of Finance to the Department of Commerce; and for other purposes. Introduced by REP. THOMAS J. DLC. MANGLONA of Saipan, Precinct 5 (*for himself*) on October 9, 2025; subsequently referred to the House Committee on Commerce.
- H. B. No. 24-66: To regulate advisory and consulting engagements with the Commonwealth by requiring compliance with procurement laws, Attorney General approval, and Public Auditor oversight; to impose a \$50,000.00 cap per engagement; to establish priority qualifications; to void non-compliant contracts; to provide remedies and penalties for violations; and to sunset this Act after five years. Introduced by REP. MARISSA R. FLORES of Saipan, Precinct 3 (*for herself*, Representatives Vincent R. Aldan, Blas Jonathan "BJ" T. Attao, Daniel I. Aquino, Jr., Angelo A. Camacho, Joseph A. Flores, Malcolm J. Omar, Elias J.M. Rangamar, Edmund S. Villagomez, and Denita Kaipat Yangetmai) on October 9, 2025; subsequently referred to the House Committee on Judiciary and Governmental Operations.
- H. B. No. 24-67: To promote government transparency, accountability, and digital accessibility by requiring standardized reporting of financial and grant information by all CNMI government entities, instrumentalities, and nonprofit recipients of public funds, in compliance with the Constitution, the Covenant, and applicable laws of the Commonwealth; and for other purposes. Introduced by REP. MARISSA R. FLORES of Saipan, Precinct 3 (for herself, Representatives Vincent R. Aldan, Blas Jonathan "BJ" T. Attao, Diego V. F. Camacho, and Joel C. Camacho) on October 9, 2025; subsequently referred to the House Committee on Judiciary and Governmental Operations.
- H. L. B. No. 24-29: To rename the "Smiling Cove Marina" the "Diego T. Benavente Smiling Cove Marina" in honor of former Legislator and former Lieutenant Governor Diego Tenorio Benavente. Introduced by REP. VINCENT R. ALDAN of Saipan, Precinct 1 (*for himself*, Representatives Daniel I. Aquino Jr., Blas Jonathan "BJ" T. Attao, Angelo A. Camacho, Thomas J. DlC. Manglona, John Paul P. Sablan, and Ralph N. Yumul) on October 9, 2025.
- H. L. B. No. 24-30: To re-appropriate the remaining fund balance of Forty-Eight Thousand Four Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$48,450.00) allotted under Saipan Local Law 20-26; and for other purposes. Introduced by REP. JOEL C. CAMACHO and REP. MALCOLM J. OMAR of Saipan, Precinct 4 (*for themselves*) on October 9, 2025.
- H. L. B. No. 24-31: To appropriate Twelve thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$12,500.00) for the personnel and operations of the Tinian Casino Gaming Commission; and for other purposes. Introduced by REP. PATRICK H. SAN NICOLAS of Tinian, Precinct 6 (*for himself*) on October 9, 2025.
- H. L. B. No. 24-32: To re-appropriate Seventy-Eight Thousand Nine Hundred Eighty Dollars (\$78,980.00) allotted under Saipan Local Law 18-17; and for other purposes. Introduced by REP. JOHN PAUL P. SABLAN of Saipan, Precinct 2 (*for himself*) on October 9, 2025.
- H. L. B. No. 24-33: To amend Saipan Local Law 24-05 that appropriated the remaining fund balance of \$85,500 under Saipan Local Law 23-04 for the repair, maintenance and improvements of recreational facilities in Precinct IV; and for other purposes. Introduced by REP. JOEL C. CAMACHO and REP. MALCOLM J. OMAR of Saipan, Precinct 4 (*for themselves*) on October 9, 2025.
- H. L. I. No. 24-1: To amend Article XV, Section 1 of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands to define "General Revenues" and "Special Revenues" consistent with CNMI Supreme Court ruling, "In the Matter of a Petition for Certified Question," and to clarify that the Public School System's twenty-five percent guaranteed appropriation shall be calculated on the net General Revenues after crediting debt service and statutory obligations. Introduced by REP. BLAS JONATHAN "BJ" T. ATTAO of Saipan, Precinct 3 (for himself, Representatives Joel C. Camacho, John Paul P. Sablan, and Edmund S. Villagomez) on October 9, 2025; subsequently referred to the House Committee on Education and to the House Committee on Ways and Means. [Public comments were received in an open and public meeting when the legislation appeared on the House Agenda of October 9, 2025]
- H. RES. No. 24-13: To recognize the exceptional work, unwavering commitment, and outstanding service of Erlinda Naputi, in celebrating her 33 years of service to Joeten-Kiyu Public Library, thereby enriching the lives of the people in the Commonwealth of the Northern Marianas Islands. Introduced by REP. RAYMOND U. PALACIOS of Saipan, Precinct 1 (for himself, Representatives Vincent R. Aldan, Daniel I. Aquino Jr., Blas Jonathan "BJ" T. Attao, Roman C. Benavente, Angelo A. Camacho, Diego V. F. Camacho, Joel C. Camacho, Marissa R. Flores, Thomas J. DlC. Manglona, Malcolm J. Omar, Elias J.M. Rangamar, John Paul P. Sablan, Patrick H. San Nicolas, Edmund S. Villagomez, Denita Kaipat Yangetmai, and Ralph N. Yumul) on October 9, 2025; subsequently placed on the Resolution Calendar.
- H. RES. No. 24-14: To honor Mr. Willie Tan for his visionary leadership, astute business acumen, philanthropic contributions, charitable character and lasting impact on the economic landscape and social fabric of the Commonwealth of the Northern

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Mariana Islands, as well as his unwavering dedication and commitment to the people of the CNMI. Introduced by REP. MARISSA R. FLORES of Saipan, Precinct 3 (for herself, Representatives Vincent R. Aldan, Daniel I. Aquino Jr., Blas Jonathan "BJ" T. Attao, Roman C. Benavente, Angelo A. Camacho, Diego V. F. Camacho, Joel C. Camacho, Thomas J. DlC. Manglona, Malcolm J. Omar, Raymond U. Palacios, Elias J.M. Rangamar, John Paul P. Sablan, Patrick H. San Nicolas, Edmund S. Villagomez, Denita Kaipat Yangetmai, and Ralph N. Yumul) on October 9, 2025; subsequently placed on the Resolution Calendar.