

**TWENTY-FOURTH NORTHERN MARIANAS COMMONWEALTH**

**LEGISLATURE**

**IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

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SESSION, 2025

C. Res. 24-2

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**A HOUSE COMMEMORATIVE RESOLUTION**

To honor the life and legacy of the late Honorable Miguel Mendiola Sablan for his meaningful contributions to the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands and to extend our sincere condolences and sympathies to his family.

1           **WHEREAS**, this Legislative Body acknowledges the profound impact of  
2 individuals who selflessly dedicated their time and efforts to public service,  
3 enriching the lives of those who call the Commonwealth their home; and

4           **WHEREAS**, it is with deepest sorrow that this Legislative Body,  
5 representing the people of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands,  
6 pays tribute to the late Honorable Miguel Mendiola Sablan, whose fulfilling life  
7 and career exemplified not only his resolute dedication to public service but also  
8 his genuine ability to bring people together; and

9           **WHEREAS**, this Legislative Body takes this opportunity to honor the life  
10 and influence of the late Honorable Miguel Mendiola Sablan, a well-respected  
11 member of our community for his valuable contributions to the CNMI; and

1           **WHEREAS**, the late Honorable Miguel Mendiola Sablan was born to  
2       †Maria Mendiola Sablan and †Jose Salas Sablan on September 29, 1944, on the  
3       island of Alamagan; and

4           **WHEREAS**, the late Honorable Miguel Mendiola Sablan was lovingly  
5       married to †Asuncion “Connie” Reyes Sablan and was a devoted, affectionate  
6       father to his children Nora, Katrina, Elizabeth, and †Michael; and

7           **WHEREAS**, the late Honorable Miguel Mendiola Sablan was also fondly  
8       known as “Mike Palaksi”, “Ampa”, and “Grampa”; He displayed a natural charm,  
9       witty sense of humor, and warm, welcoming energy to all those who had the  
10      pleasure of knowing him; and

11          **WHEREAS**, the late Honorable Miguel Mendiola Sablan had an  
12      accomplished career in public office, serving as a Prosecutor during the period of  
13      the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands, a Board Member and Chairman for the  
14      Marianas Public Lands Corporation, and longstanding Board Member and  
15      Chairman for the Commonwealth Election Commission; and

16          **WHEREAS**, the late Honorable Miguel Mendiola Sablan diligently and  
17      efficiently served the Commonwealth of the Northern Marianas Islands (CNMI) as  
18      an elected Representative in the House of Representatives for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Northern  
19      Marianas Commonwealth Legislature introducing significant, noteworthy  
20      legislation such as The Board of Parole Act of 1983, The Government Ethics Act  
21      of 1982, Sexual Assault & Abuse Punishment, Establishment of a Youth Congress,

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1 The Probate Law, The Establishment of Ethics Commission, The Disaster  
2 Contingency Revolving Fund, Exemption of the Bar Exam for Attorneys of Public  
3 Defender & Indigent Legal Services; and

4 **WHEREAS**, the late Honorable Miguel Mendiola Sablan will be deeply  
5 missed and affectionately remembered for his cheerful, humorous personality and  
6 strong, magnetic spirit by his children, great grandchildren, family, and friends; and

7 **WHEREAS**, the late Honorable Miguel Mendiola Sablan will be greatly  
8 appreciated and dutifully recognized for his sincerity, humility, and unwavering  
9 commitment to the welfare of the people of the CNMI;

10 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the House of  
11 Representatives of the Twenty-Fourth Northern Marianas Commonwealth  
12 Legislature that the House recognizes and remembers Miguel Mendiola Sablan for  
13 his life and legacy of the late Honorable Miguel Mendiola Sablan for his  
14 meaningful contributions to the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands  
15 and to extend our sincere condolences and sympathies to his family; and

16 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Sponsor of this Resolution or the  
17 designee of the Speaker of the House shall present a certified original copy of this  
18 House Commemorative Resolution; and

19 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Speaker of the House of  
20 Representatives shall certify, and the House Clerk shall attest to the adoption of this  
21 resolution and thereafter the House Clerk shall transmit a certified copy to the

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1 bereaved family of the late Honorable Miguel Mendiola Sablan's family; the  
2 Honorable Arnold I. Palacios, Governor, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana  
3 Islands; the Honorable Kimberlyn K. King-Hinds, CNMI Delegate to the U.S.  
4 House of Representatives, 119<sup>th</sup> United States Congress; and the Honorable Dennis  
5 C. Mendiola, Senate President, 24<sup>th</sup> Northern Marianas Commonwealth  
6 Legislature.

Prefiled: 3/21/2025

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Introduced by: \_\_\_\_\_

Rep. Marissa R. Flores

