

**TWENTY-FOURTH NORTHERN MARIANAS COMMONWEALTH**

**LEGISLATURE**

**IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Session, 2025**

**H. Con. Res. 24-1**

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**A HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

To approve revenues and resources of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, as identified pursuant to Article III, Section 9(a) of the Constitution, as amended, and 1 CMC, Division 7, for Fiscal Year 2025, beginning October 1, 2024, and ending on September 30, 2025.

1           **WHEREAS**, pursuant to Article III, Section 9(a) of the Commonwealth  
2 Constitution, as amended, and 1 CMC §§ 7201, 7202, and 7203, the governor shall  
3 submit to the Legislature a proposed annual balanced budget for the following  
4 Fiscal Year and the proposed balanced budget shall describe anticipated revenues  
5 of the Commonwealth and recommend expenditures of Commonwealth funds; and

6           **WHEREAS**, Governor Arnold I. Palacios has identified projected  
7 resources in the amount of \$158,614,274 for the Commonwealth Government and  
8 Related Agencies for Fiscal Year 2025 in his proposed budget transmittal letter  
9 dated April 01, 2024; and

10           **WHEREAS**, Governor Arnold I. Palacios has identified an additional \$1  
11 million from an overpayment to the Settlement Fund for a total projected resources  
12 in the amount of \$159,614,274 for the Commonwealth Government and Related

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1 Agencies for Fiscal Year 2025 in his revised budget transmittal letter dated January  
2 17, 2025 transmitted to the legislature as Governor’s Communication 24-8.

3           **WHEREAS**, the Legislature desires to approve the additional \$1 million of  
4 resources as identified in the Governor’s Communication 24-8 for Fiscal Year  
5 2025; and

6           **WHEREAS**, the Legislature urges the Governor to submit a report as soon  
7 as possible setting forth any amendments or changes to the budget, including actual  
8 revenues and expenditures to date for Fiscal Year 2025, any policy changes  
9 proposed since the January 17, 2025, letter submittal of the Fiscal Year 2025  
10 proposed budget, and other significant factors affecting the budget for Fiscal Year  
11 2025.

12           **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the House of  
13 Representatives of the Twenty-Fourth Northern Marianas Commonwealth  
14 Legislature, the Senate concurring, that revenues for Fiscal Year 2025, beginning  
15 October 1, 2024, and ending September 30, 2025, as submitted by the Governor  
16 and reviewed by the Legislature are hereby approved as follows:

17 I. The total identified budgetary resources for FY 2025 is:           \$159,614,274

18 II. This amount is subject to the following adjustments:

19           (A) Less revenue transfers to other funds:

20                   (1) 4 CMC § 1803 MVA hotel/container tax           (\$4,412,374)

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1	(2) Revenue & Taxation Enforcement (4CMC	
2	§1503(c))	<u>(\$200,000)</u>
3	(3) IDC Reimbursement to Office of Grants	
4	Management (35%, 1 CMC §2893)	<u>(\$862,665)</u>
5	(4) Vehicle Registration Fees (PL 11-55)	<u>(\$727,941)</u>
6	(5) Operator License Fees (net) (PL 20-90)	<u>(\$244,792)</u>
7	(5) Admiralty & Maritime Fees (4 CMC	
8	§1222)	<u>(\$2,956)</u>
9	(6) Weapon Fees (PL 19-73)	<u>(\$16,360)</u>
10	(7) Corporation Fees (4 CMC §4205)	<u>(\$92,723)</u>
11	(8) Building Safety Code Fees (PL 06-45)	<u>(\$205,256)</u>
12	(9) Solid Waste Fund, Tipping/Disposal/User	
13	Fees per PL 13-42 (2 CMC §1402(g)(1)	<u>(\$1,830,366)</u>
14	(10) Solid Waste Fund,	
15	Tipping/Disposal/User Fees per PL 13-42 (2	
16	CMC §3551)	<u>(\$585,379)</u>
17	(B) Less Debt Service Settlement Fund:	
18	(1) Settlement Agreement (Doc. 468-1); PL 20-33	<u>(\$806,885)</u>
19	(C) Less Debt Services Previously Appropriated:	
20	(1) 2007A Refunding Bond Payment	<u>(\$3,618,500)</u>
21	(2) 2007B Refunding Bond Payment	<u>(\$3,391,750)</u>

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1	(D) 2020 Pension Obligation Note	<u>(\$353,601)</u>
2	(E) 2024A Pension Obligation Note Payment	<u>(\$4,910,000)</u>
3	(F) Additional Bond Pledge Requirement	<u>(\$3,005,400)</u>
4	(E) MPLT 2019 Loan	<u>(\$831,039)</u>
5	<b>Subtotal</b>	<b><u>(\$26,097,987)</u></b>

6 III. Total local revenue and resources:

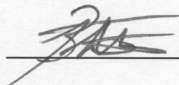
7 (a) Total local revenue and resources available for  
8 appropriation for Commonwealth Government  
9 activities in Fiscal Year 2025: \$133,516,287

10 **Grand Total:** \$133,516,287

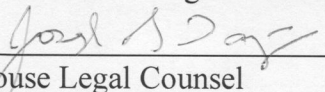
11 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Speaker of the House of  
12 Representatives and the President of the Senate shall certify and the House Clerk  
13 and the Senate Legislative Secretary shall attest to the adoption of this concurrent  
14 resolution and thereafter the House Clerk shall transmit a certified copy to the  
15 Honorable Arnold I. Palacios, Governor of the Commonwealth of the Northern  
16 Mariana Islands.

Prefiled: 0/7/2025

Date:

Introduced by: 

Reviewed for Legal Sufficiency by:

  
House Legal Counsel