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3RD. MARIANA ISLANDS DISTRICT LEGISLATURE

THIRD REGULAR SESSION

RESOLUTION NO. 13-1970  
INTRODUCED BY HON. DANIEL T. MUNA, SAIPAN

A RESOLUTION RELATIVE TO RESPECTFULLY  
MEMORIALIZING AND REQUESTING THE UNITED  
NATIONS TO EFFECT THE IMMEDIATE REINTEGRATION  
OF THE MARIANA ISLANDS WITH THE TERRITORY OF  
GUAM AS IS ENVISIONED UNDER THE DOCTRINE OF  
HUMAN RIGHTS, AND IN CONSONANT WITH THE  
OBJECTIVES OF THE UNITED NATIONS'S EXPRESSED  
POLICY IN THE INTERNATIONAL DECLARATION OF  
HUMAN RIGHTS

WHEREAS, pursuant to the petition of the people of the Mariana Islands, as demonstrated in a district-wide Special Poll held on November 9, 1969, that the inhabitants of this district still favor the reintegration of the Marianas with Guam, as was the case in the plebiscites held in 1961 and 1963; and

WHEREAS, in the recent Special Poll held in the Mariana Islands District, the attached certified results show that the majority of the voters favor the reintegration of the Mariana with the Territory of Guam; and

WHEREAS, one of the basic objectives of the International Trusteeship System, established under Chapter XII of the Charter of the United Nations, is to promote the political, economic, social and educational advancement of the Trust Territories, and their progressive development towards self-government or independence according to the freely expressed wishes of the peoples concerned; and

WHEREAS, for nearly twenty (20) years the people of the Mariana Islands District have petitioned this World Organization and the administering authority to allow them to obtain that future political status best suited

to their needs and that is desired by the people concerned, but during the past two (2) decades, the pleas and desires of the people concerned have been ignored; and

WHEREAS, in the course of human events and the inevitability of social, political and economic affinity, and by virtue of the natural pursuit of life and happiness, the majority of the inhabitants in the Mariana group are of Guamanian descent, who are entirely similar in culture, language, customs and ethnic background, and thereby could prosper by such union; and

WHEREAS, we are fully aware of the desire of the administering authority to make the people of the Trust Territory one and not allow the so-called "fragmentation of the area," but are forced to point out that several trusteeships under the jurisdiction of the United Nations have been allowed to divide their territories according to the freely expressed wishes of the people concerned; and


WHEREAS, to be forced to become one people and one country among such a diversified mixture of races who are entirely dis-similar, the inhabitants of this district, by reason of minority will undoubtedly cause to suffer the inconveniences attendant in the conglomeration of races with marked differences culturally, politically, and socially; and

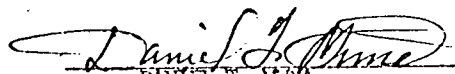
WHEREAS, that it is cognizant before the people of the world, the United Nations, on many occasions have demonstrated the deepest respect for the other people of the world and has always been ready and prepared to support and defend the rights of the people, the only exception is the people of the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the 3rd. Mariana Islands District Legislature that the United Nations be and hereby is respectfully memorialized and requested to effect the immediate reintegration of the Mariana Islands with the Territory of Guam as is envisioned under the Doctrine of Human Rights, and in consonant with the objectives of the United Nation's expressed policy in the International Declaration of Human Rights; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the President certify to and the Legislative Secretary attest the adoption hereof, and thereafter transmitted copies of the same to the District Administrator, Mariana Islands District, High Commissioner, Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands, Governor, Territory of Guam, Secretary, U.S. Department of the Interior, Secretary, U.S. Department of State, Chairman of the House Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs, Chairman of the Senate Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs, President of the United States of America, President of the Trusteeship Council of the United Nations, and the President of the General Assembly of the United Nations.

PASSED BY THE 3RD. MARIANA ISLANDS DISTRICT LEGISLATURE FEBRUARY 18, 1970.

  
VICENTE R. SANTOS  
President

  
DANIEL T. IMA  
Legislative Secretary

TRUST TERRITORY OF THE PACIFIC ISLANDS  
Office of the District Administrator  
Saipan, Mariana Islands 96950

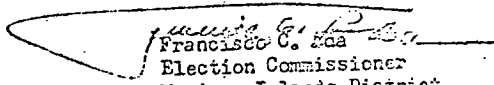
November 20, 1969

The Honorable Edward E. Johnston  
High Commissioner, Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands  
Saipan, Mariana Islands 96950

Dear Mr. High Commissioner:

In accordance with Section 4 of Act No. 6-1969 of the 3rd Mariana Islands District Legislature, passed August 25, 1969, and approved by me September 12, 1969, certified copies of the official results of the Special Poll held November 9, 1969 in the Mariana Islands District are hereby forwarded for your reference and file.

Sincerely,

  
Francisco C. Taa  
Election Commissioner  
Mariana Islands District

Enclosure:

cc: Director of Public Affairs  
Chief, Political Affairs & Education  
President, Mariana Islands District Legislature  
Mayor, Municipality of Saipan  
Mayor, Municipality of Tinian  
Mayor, Municipality of Rota  
Speaker, Saipan Municipal Council  
Chairman, Tinian Municipal Council  
Chairman, Rota Municipal Council  
Distad Rep., Tinian  
Distad Rep., Rota  
Distad Rep., Pagan  
All District Commissioners  
President, Saipan Territorial Party  
President, Saipan Popular Party

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TRUST TERRITORY OF THE PACIFIC ISLANDS  
 OFFICE of the District Administrator  
 Saipan, Marianas Islands 96920

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SPECIAL POLL DESIGNS November 9, 1969  
 MARIANA ISLANDS DISTRICT

ALTERNATIVES	DISTRICT - MARIANAS											TOTAL						
	Rota	Rhian	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9		10	11	AMA	AIA	TAG	UNC
Reintegration	156	127	228	250	202	36	131	195	128	90	136	60	123	0	10	30	4	16
Independence	2	3	0	0	2	3	0	3	1	4	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
U.S. Terr. of U. S.	8	19	7	7	8	13	3	0	13	4	7	1	7	0	0	1	1	0
None Associated State	101	36	54	62	91	202	78	69	165	91	13	11	85	3	0	2	14	119
Others (Specify)																		
1. Commonwealth (USA)	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2. U. S. A.	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3. T. T.	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
4. U.S. Terr. w/Japan	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5. Japan	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
and Ballots	6	3	2	3	5	3	1	8	4	2	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

I certify that the above tabulations are true and correct.

\*Others comprise absentee and hospital ballots.

Signed: *[Signature]*  
 Director of the  
 Election Administration  
 Mariana Islands District