

# \$225,000 Authorized For Marianas Works

SAIPAN (MNS) A bill authorizing \$225,000 for public projects in the Marianas District was one of seven signed into law by High Commissioner Edward E. Johnston this week.

Sen. Olympio Borja, present at the bill-signing ceremony, said the appropriation is the district's largest in an off-election year during his 10 years in the Congress of Micronesia (COM).

The bill provides funds for construction of a water-catchment system at the new Saipan International Airport.

It also contains vehicle funds for public works

program, \$12,000 for scholarship grants for Rota students, \$8,000 for Tinian students, \$45,000 for supplies and equipment for district schools and \$108,000 for construction projects, including a library in San Antonio, an auditorium in Tanapag and a community hall in San Jose.

The other six measures signed into law are:

-To extend the life of the Joint Committee on Rongelap and Utirik Atolls.

-To appropriate \$100,000 for public purchases and projects for Yap District.

-To provide a penalty for violation of Trust Territory port-of-entry regulations, with a maximum fine of \$2,000 and maximum imprisonment for six months.

-To allow district administrators to lower speed limits in hazardous areas.

-To permit the \$20,000 appropriated for channel-blasting projects in the outer islands of Yap to be also used for environmental studies.

-To make a technical correction to Section 2 of Public Law 5-78.

involved any improper use of public funds and said that his travel expenditures were audited.

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