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E.O. 11652: N/A TAGS: PINT TQ SUBJECT: MARIANAS DISTRICT LEGISLATURE RESOLUTION 107-1975 REF: STATUS LNO 338 THE MARIANAS DISTRICT LEGISLATURE REQUESTS THAT THE TEXT OF THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION BE TRANSMITTED PROMPTLY TO THE CHAIRMEN AND MEMBERS OF SENATE ARMED SERVICES AND FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEES. COPIES

WILL BE MAILED TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE SENATE.

INTRODUCED BY: COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

A RESOLUTION RELATIVE TO EXPRESSING THE DESIRE OF THE PEOPLE OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS TO HAVE THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS ADMINISTERED SEPARATELY FROM THE REMAINING FIVE DISTRICTS OF THE TRUST TERRITORY OF THE PACIFIC ISLANDS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE

RESOLUTION NO. 107-1975

WHEREAS, ON JUNE 17, 1975 THE PEOPLE OF THE MARIANAS HAVE OVERWHEIMINGLY APPROVED THE COVENANT TO ESTABLISH A COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANAS IN POLITICAL UNION WITH THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA:

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WHEREAS, THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE MARIANA ISLANDS DISTRICT SEPARATELY FROM THE OTHER DISTRICTS OF THE TRUST TERRITORY IS NECESSARY AND AN APPROPRIATE STEP BY WHICH THE MARIANA ISLANDS DISTRICT CAN PREPARE FOR AND MOVE TOWARD ITS FUTURE POLITICAL STATUS; AND

WHEREAS, IN ORDER TO MAKE THE TRANSITION TO THEIR RESPECTIVE NEW POLITICAL RELATIONSHIP AND RESPONSIBILITIES AS SUCCESSFUL AS POSSIBLE FOR BOTH THE MARIANA ISLANDS DISTRICT AND THE OTHER DISTRICTS OF THE TRUST TERRITORY IT IS NECESSARY TO PREPARE FOR THE NEW POLITICAL RELATIONSHIP AND RESPONSIBILITIES BEFORE THEY COME INTO EFFECT; AND

WHEREAS, BY MUTUAL UNDERSTANDINGS BETWEEN THE PARTIES TO THE MARIANAS STATUS NEGOTIATIONS, AN AD HOC COMMITTEE FOR ADMINISTRATION CONTINGENCY PLANNING FOR THE MARIANAS SEPARATION HAS BEEN CREATED AND CHARGED WITH THE RESPONSIBILITY TO IDENTIFY VARIOUS ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS ENTAILED IN SUCH SEPARATION; AND

WHEREAS, IN ORDER TO FACILITATE THE SMOOTH TRANSITION FROM A TRUST AREA TO A FUNCTIONING ENTITY IN THE AMERICAN POLITICAL FAMILY, THERE IS A NEED TO EFFECT SEPARATE ADMINISTRATION OF THE NORTHERN MARIANAS AS EXPE-DITIOUSLY AS POSSIBLE;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE FOURTH MARIANA ISLANDS DISTRICT LEGISLATURE, SEVENTH REGULAR SESSION, THAT THE DESIRE OF THE PEOPLE OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS IS HEREBY EXPRESSED TO HAVE THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS ADMINISTERED SEPARATELY FROM THE REMAINING FIVE DISTRICTS OF THE PACIFIC ISLANDS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE;

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AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT THE PRESIDENT CERTIFY TO AND THE LEGISLATIVE SECRETARY ATTEST THE ADOPTION HEREOF AND THEREAFTER TRANSMIT A COPY OF THIS RESOLUTION TO THE CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF THE SENATE FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE AND CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF THE SENATE ARMED SERVICES COMMITTEE, THE PRESIDENT AND MEMBERS OF THE UNITED STATES SENATE.

PASSED BY THE FOURTH MARIANA ISLANDS DISTRICT LEGISLATURE NOVEMBER 11, 1975.

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FOURTH MARIANA ISLANDS DISTRICT LEGISLATURE

SEVENTH REGULAR SESSION

RESOLUTION NO. 107-1975 INTRODUCED BY: COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

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A RESOLUTION RELATIVE TO EXPRESSING THE DESIRE OF THE PEOPLE OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS TO HAVE THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS ADMINISTERED SEPARATELY FROM THE REMAINING FIVE DISTRICTS OF THE TRUST TERRITORY OF THE PACIFIC ISLANDS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE

7. WHEREAS, on June 17, 1975 the people of the Marianas have overwhelmingly
8. approved the Covenant to Establish a Commonwealth in Political Union with the
9. United States of America; and

10. WHEREAS, the administration of the Mariana Islands District separately
11. from the other districts of the Trust Territory is g necessary and appropriate
12. step by which the Mariana Islands District can prepare for and move toward
13. its future political status; and

14. WHEREAS, in order to make the transition to their respective new
15. political relationship and responsibilities as successful as possible for both
16. the Mariana Islands District and the other districts of the Trust Territory
17. it is necessary to prepare for the new political relationship and responsibi18. lities before they come into effects; and

WHEREAS, by mutual understandings between the parties to the Marianas
 Status Negotiations, an Ad Hoc Committee for Administration Contigency
 Planning for the Marianas separation has been created and charged with the
 responsibility to identify various administrative matters entailed in such
 separation; and

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WHEREAS, in order to facilitate the smooth transition from a trust area
 to a functioning entity in the American political family, there is a need to
 effect separate administration of the Northern Marianas as expeditiously
 as possible;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Fourth Mariana Islands District
 Legislature, Seventh Regular Session, that the desire of the people of the
 Northern Mariana Islands is hereby expressed to have the Northern Mariana
 Islands administered separately from the remaining five districts of the
 Pacific Islands as soon as possible;

10! AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the President certify to and the
11. Legislative Secretary attest the adoption hereof and thereafter transmit a
12. copy of this resolution to the Chairman and members of the Senate Foreign
13. Relations Committee and Chairman and members of the Senate Armed Services
14. Committee, the President and members of the United States Senate.

PASSED BY THE FOURTH MARIANA ISLANDS DISTRICT LEGISLATURE NOVEMBER 1975.