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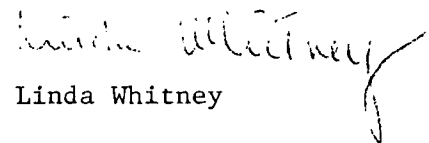
January 5, 1977

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Dear Mr. Koffsky:

Enclosed is a copy of Act No. 434-1976 of the Northern Mariana Islands Legislature "...to create an advisory commission on political education, to prescribe its powers and duties, to appropriate funds therefore, and for other purposes". Mr. Pangelinan asked me to send it to you.

Sincerely yours,


Linda Whitney

FOURTH NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS LEGISLATURE

EIGHTH REGULAR SESSION

ACT NO. 434-1976

INTRODUCED BY: SEN. OLYMPIO T. BORJA, DELEGATE-AT-LARGE
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SEN. OSCAR C. RASA, DELEGATE-AT-LARGE
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AN ACT TO CREATE AN ADVISORY COMMISSION ON
POLITICAL EDUCATION; TO PRESCRIBE ITS POWERS
AND DUTIES; TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS THEREFORE;
AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

BE IT ENACTED BY THE FOURTH NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS LEGISLATURE, THAT:

Section 1. Advisory Commission on Political Education. There is hereby created an Advisory Commission on Political Education, which shall consist of the President, the three Vice-Presidents, and the three Chairmen of the substantive committee of the Northern Mariana Islands Constitutional Convention; ten (10) members to be appointed by the Speaker; four (4) shall be members of the Legislature; four (4) from among the delegates elected to the Constitutional Convention; one (1) from among the employees of the Northern Mariana Islands Government and one from the business and/or professional sector. The Advisory Commission on Political Education shall select a chairman and other officers from among its membership as it deems necessary. The organizational meeting of the Advisory Commission on Political Education shall be called by the Speaker of the Legislature.

Section 2. Duties and Responsibility. It shall be the duty and responsibility of the Advisory Commission to assist the Resident Commissioner in the conduct of a political education program concerning the Draft Constitution of the Northern Mariana Islands in preparation for the referendum on the Constitution.

Section 3. Remuneration. Members of the Advisory Commission shall not be entitled to salary or other remuneration as members, but shall be entitled to travel and per diem at standard Government rates while on the business of the Advisory Commission, and, if any member is an employee of the Government of the Northern Mariana Islands, such member shall be entitled to administrative leave with pay while on the business of the Advisory Commission.

Section 4. Term. The term of the Advisory Commission shall extend until thirty (30) days following the conduct of the referendum on the Draft Constitution for the Northern Mariana Islands. The term of appointments shall be for the full term of the Advisory Commission, and vacancies shall be filled in the same manner as original appointments.

Section 5. Support. The Government of the Northern Mariana Islands shall provide for administrative, logistic, and personnel support to the Advisory Commission as required, to the extent that the same are determined to be available. The Chairman of the Advisory Commission on Political Education is hereby authorized to employ such additional staff and professional assistance as he deems necessary.

Section 6. Rules. The Advisory Commission shall adopt such rules of procedure not inconsistent herewith as it shall deem necessary or appropriate for the performance of its duties.

Section 7. Report. Prior to the end of its term, the Advisory Commission shall transmit to the Legislature and the Resident Commissioner a full report of its activities and fiscal affairs.

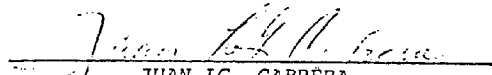
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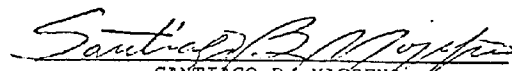
Section 8. Appropriation. There is hereby appropriated out of the Treasury of the Northern Mariana Islands the sum of \$10,000.00 for the purposes of the Advisory Commission as set forth in this Act. The sums appropriated hereby shall remain available to the Advisory Commission for such purposes until the completion of its term of existence, whereupon approval by the Advisory Commission.

Section 9. Effective Date. This Act shall take effect upon its approval by the Resident Commissioner, or upon its becoming law without such approval.

PASSED BY THE FOURTH NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS LEGISLATURE DECEMBER 17, 1976.



JUAN LG. CABRERA
Acting Speaker



SANTIAGO B. MAGAÑA
Legislative Secretary

Signed this ____ day of _____, 1976.

ERWIN D. CANHAM
Resident Commissioner
Government of the Northern Mariana Islands