

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO PREAMBLE

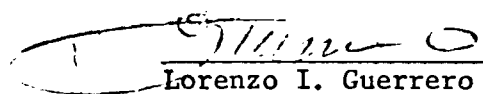
It is proposed that the Preamble of the draft Constitution be amended to read as follows:

~~"We, the people of the Northern Mariana Islands, ordain and establish this Constitution for our Commonwealth and reaffirm our respect for the Constitution of the United States of America. We declare our goal of establishing a government in political union with the United States that preserves our personal liberty and social equality, our Chamorro and Carolinian heritage, our land and its resources, and our culture, history and traditions. to serve as the fundamental law for the present generation and the generations to come. We implore the blessings of Almighty God to guide our island Commonwealth as we stride in unity to uphold prestige and dignity.~~

"We reaffirm our respect for the Constitution of the United States of America, and declare our goal of establishing a government in political union with the United States.

"We recognize the need for the preservation of our personal liberty and social equality, our Chamorro and Carolinian heritage, our land and its resources, cultures, history and traditions; and we realize that the enjoyment of rights and privileges imposes duties and obligations."

Offered by,

  
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