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Second Constitutional Convention
Saipan, Northern Marianas

Delegate Proposal No. 120-85

A Proposal

To establish Northern Marianas citizenship:

BE IT PROPOSED that a new Article in the Constitution is adopted as follows:

"Section 1. A citizen of the Northern Marianas is a person who does not owe allegiance to any foreign, country and who qualifies under one of the following criteria:

in the Northern Marianas

(a) A person who is born/of at least one parent of Marianas ancestry or one parent who is a U.S. citizen;

(b) A citizen of the United States who has established a domicile in the Northern Marianas for at least one year;

(c) Person who were born in the Northern Mariana Islands, who is citizen of the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands on the date of the approval of the Constitution by the people of the Northern Mariana Islands, and who on that date was domiciled in the Northern Mariana Islands or in the United States or any territory or possession thereof;

(d) Person who is citizen of the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands on the date of the approval of the Constitution by the people of the Northern Mariana Islands, who was domiciled continuously in the Northern Mariana Islands for at least five years immediately prior to that date, and who, unless under age, registered to vote in elections for the Mariana Islands District Legislature or for any municipal election in the Northern Mariana Islands prior to January 1, 1975; or

(e) Person domiciled in the Northern Mariana Islands on the date of the approval of the Constitution by the people of the Northern Mariana Islands who, although not a citizen of the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands, on that date was domiciled continuously in the Northern Mariana Islands beginning prior to January 1, 1974.

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