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## A PROPOSAL

TO AMEND SECTION 3 OF ARTICLE XII OF THE NORTHERN MARIANAS CONSTITUTION TO PROTECT INNOCENT LANDOWNERS AGAINST THE PRACTICES OF UNSCRUPULOUS AND HIGH-PRESSURE REAL ESTATE BROKERS.

## BE IT ADOPTED BY THE SECOND CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION:

1	Section 1. Section 3 of Article XII of the Constitution of the
2	Northern Mariana Islands is hereby amended to read as follows:
3	Section 2. The term permanent and long-term interests in real
4	property used in section 1 includes freehold interests and
5	leasehold interests of more than forty years including renewal
6	rights. The aggregate valuation of freehold interests and lease-
7	hold interests in real property in the Commonwealth shall be
8	assessed by a professional and/or government-sanctioned appraiser(s)
9	before any business transaction is effectuated. Any transaction in
10	permanent or long-term interests in land in the Commonwealth in violation
11	of this provision shall be void ab initio and real property shall be
12	forfeited to the government.
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