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Office of the Governor  
Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands  
Saipan, CM 96950

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GOV. NMI SAIPAN

June 28, 1985

Delegate Lorenzo I. Guerrero  
Chairman, Committee on Finance  
and Other Matters  
Second Northern Marianas Constitutional  
Convention  
Saipan, CM 96950

Dear Mr. Chairman:

We do support the intent of Proposal No. 5-85 to limit the budget of the Legislature. However, we do not support the concept of "whichever is greater". We strongly urge that for the next several years, the legislative budget shall not exceed \$3,000,000.

Additionally, the propose method of funding distribution is suspect. We recommend the following distribution base on a Three Million Dollars budget:

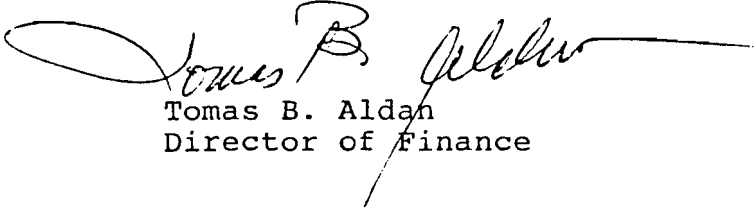
- A. For the operation of the House of Representatives  
\$1,300,000
- B. For the operation of the House Minority Office  
\$100,000
- C. For the operation of the Senate  
\$1,300,000
- D. For the operation of the Senate Minority  
\$100,000
- E. For the Office of Rota Delegation  
\$100,000
- F. For the Office of Tinian Delegation  
\$100,000

In the event a Minority Office is not needed, such funding allocation shall revert to the operation of the House which does not have a Minority.

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We thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Sincerely,

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Dear Mr. Chairman:

Our comments on Proposal No. 5-85 reflects our position  
for Proposal No. 68-85.

Thank you.

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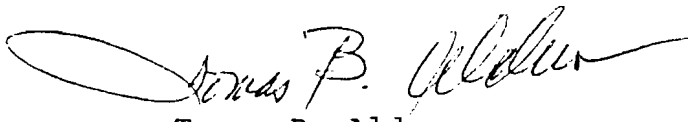
Dear Mr. Chairman:

We do not support the propose amendment from lines 6 to 12 as recommended under Proposal No. 85-85. Our reasons are as follows:

1. Our budget is too small to require such an advance submission.
2. Why do we want to make this requirement (budget submission) a constitutional issue? We don't see this issue as having an impact in terms of life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.
3. We believe that these issues are adequately covered under 1 CMC, Division 7.

We thank you.

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Dear MR. Chairman:

We do support the intent of Proposal No. 89-85. We believe that for our government to undertake the task of having all its real property assessed or appraised would cost a sizeable amount.

The proposal presents an excellent alternative.

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Dear Mr. Chairman:

We see Proposal No. 99-85 as a question of separation of powers.

We see the changing of revenue projection to be within the prerogative of the Legislature.

We therefore do not support the propose amendment.

Sincerely,

  
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Dear Mr. Chairman:

We support intent of Proposal No. 108-85.

We strongly believe that entertainment of constituents  
should not be allowed.

Thank you.

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Dear Mr. Chairman:

This is a good proposal. We support it 101%.

Proposal No. 110-85 is long overdue. It is about time that the government scrutinize the budgets of the autonomous agencies.

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