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A PROPOSAL

To amend Section 16 of Article III of the Constitution of the Northern Mariana Islands to elect the Civil Service Commission permanently.

BE IT ADOPTED BY THE SECOND CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION:

1 Section 1. Section 16 of Article III of the Constitution of the Northern
2 Mariana Islands is hereby amended to read as follows:

3 "The Civil Service Commission shall be elected on a non-partisan basis.
4 The Commission shall compose of five(5) members: One(1) member from the Island
5 of Rota, One(1) member from the Island of Tinian and Three(3) members from the Island
6 of Saipan. The Commission shall establish and administer personnel policies for
7 civil service employees only. The Commission has no authority to fill vacancies
8 created by election or by appointment of the governor.

9 Section 2. The Civil Service Commission shall be elected on the second Sunday
10 of January, 1987.

11 Section 3. In the event of resignation, removal, death or any other acts which
12 will make the Commission member incapable to perform his/her duties, the governor shall
13 appoint subject to the consent of both Houses of the Legislature.

14 Section 4. The Civil Service Commission members and employees are prohibited
15 from participating or engaging in any political party and activities. Political
16 party involvement is ground for immediate removal of the member(s) or employee(s).

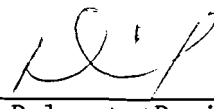
17 Section 5. All Civil Service positions and vacancies shall be announced thirty(30)
18 days prior to the effective date of employment, and shall be based on merit and
19 fitness demonstrated by examination or by other evidence of competence.

20 Section 6. Emergency hiring shall be prohibited. However, in case of emergency
21 only the Governor can make the appointment with the consultation of the Commission.

1 prior or after the appointment. The appointment shall be good only for thirty(30)
2 days.

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5 Date: July 2, 1985

Offered by: _____


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