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A PROPOSAL

To add a new Section ___ and Subsections a), b), and c) to Article I of the Northern Marianas Constitution to safeguard against rampant alienation of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

BE IT ADOPTED BY THE SECOND CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION:

1 Section 1. Section ___ of Article of the Constitution of the
2 Northern Mariana Islands is hereby amended by adding a new Section
3 ___ and Subsections a), b) and c) and read as follow:

4 "Section 2. Permanent Residency in the Commonwealth of the
5 Northern Mariana Islands. The legislature shall prescribe, within
6 six (6) months of ratification in a regular election, a system of
7 quota and preference for the purpose of granting permanent residence
8 status to any person who is neither a citizen of the Trust Territory
9 nor a citizen or national of the United States.

10 "a) The prerequisites for granting permanent residence
11 status to aliens shall include but not limited to the following
12 criteria: (1) good moral character certified by the Attorney
13 General; (2) adherence to the principles of the United States
14 and Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands Constitutions;
15 (3) ability to read, write, and speak Chamorro or Carolinian and
16 English; (4) knowledge of the fundamentals of Marianas history,
17 the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands Covenant and
18 Constitution, principles and forms of government of the Commonwealth
19 and the United States; and (5) actual resident of the CNMI for
20 at least seven (7) years immediately prior to application for
21 permanent residence status.


1 **"b) Aliens shall mean any person not a citizen of the**
2 **Trust Territory or not a citizen or national of the United States.**

3 **"c) No employment contract, nonresident employment**
4 **agreement, entry permit or the presence of an alien in the Common-**
5 **wealth of the Northern Mariana Islands shall be grounds for granting**
6 **permanent residence status except a person with an "immediate**
7 **relative" in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands as**
8 **defined in Section 506(c), Article V of the Covenant."**

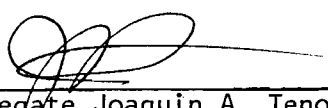
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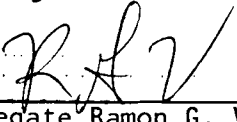
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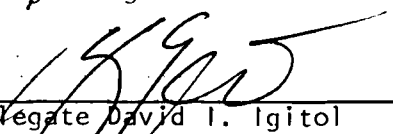
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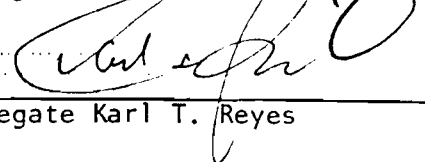


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