

SECOND CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION
of the
NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS
Convention Hall - House of Taga
Saipan, CM 96950

SUMMARY JOURNAL

Friday, July 12, 1985

Twenty-fifth Day

The session for the 25th Day of the Northern Marianas Constitutional Convention was called to order at 1:27 p.m., by President Herman T. Guerrero with all 24 members present. The Summary Journal for the 24th Day (July 11, 1985) was adopted by a voice vote as was the Verbatim Journal for the 11th Day (June 28, 1985).

Communication No. 12 from "Convention Consultant" concerning Legal Opinions Nos. 7 and 9 was received as well as Legal Opinion No. 31 on Delegate Proposal No. 186-85 (Enactment of Legislation). A courtesy copy of House Bill No. 165 reference the NMI Criminal Code was also received.

The Committee on Personal Rights and Natural Resources offered no report. Chairman Lorenzo Guerrero of the Committee on Finance and Other Matters read Committee Recommendations Nos. 42 and 43. The first would add a prohibition on gambling to the Constitution and the second establishes an official CNMI Flag, Seal and Languages. Chairman Juan Lizama of the Committee on Governmental Institutions read Committee Recommendation No. 44 which would amend Section 10 to Article II concerning the Governor's emergency powers. The proposals will be calendared for consideration by the Committee of the Whole on July 13, 1985.

There were no items for Second and Final Reading. There were no Resolutions or Referrals.

At 1:34 p.m., a motion was made that the Convention resolve into a Committee of the Whole to consider Committee Recommendations Nos. 27, 28 and 29 which were calendared as Unfinished Business. President Guerrero requested that Delegate Rita Inos chair the Committee of the Whole.

At 5:43 p.m., it was moved that the Committee of the Whole rise and report on Committee Recommendations Nos. 27, 28 and 29. Chairman Inos reported that Committee Recommendations Nos. 27 and 28 passed, as amended, and Committee Recommendation No. 29 was adopted. On a voice vote, all three recommendations were adopted on First Reading. A motion was made and passed at 5:48 p.m., to recess until 7:30 p.m.

At 7:44 p.m., the Convention reconvened with President Herman T. Guerrero presiding. It was immediately moved that the Convention resolve into Committee of the Whole with President Guerrero to chair.

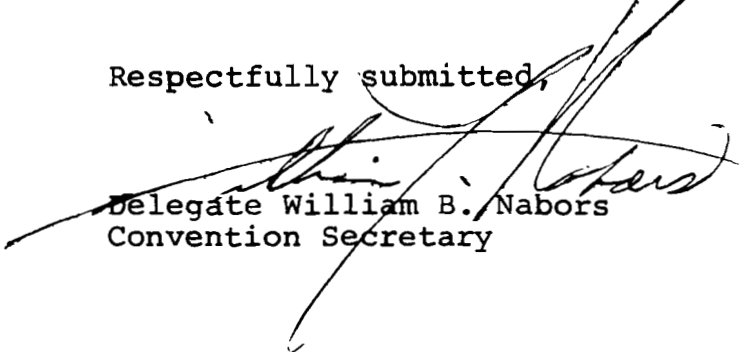
At 11:05 p.m., it was moved that the Committee rise and report on Committee Recommendations Nos. 30, 31, 32, 33 and 34. President Guerrero reported that Committee Recommendations Nos. 30 and 32 passed. Committee

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Recommendation No. 31 concerning Delegate Proposal No. 215-85 which jointly referred to Committee on Governmental Institutions and Local Government was deferred until Committee on Local Government submit its committee recommendation, and Committee Recommendations Nos. 33 and 34 passed, as amended. The reports considered by the Committee were adopted on First Reading by a voice vote, with the exception of CR No. 31.

At 11:10 p.m., it was moved and seconded to suspend action on further items of business and to adjourn the session until 1:00 p.m., July 13, 1985 at the House of Taga.

Respectfully submitted,



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Convention Secretary