

SM  
SECOND NORTHERN MARIANAS CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION

SAIPAN, CM 96950

Telephone

6517/6572

Officers

Herman T. Guerrero, President  
Vicente M. Calvo, 1st Vice President  
David M. Cing, 2nd Vice President  
Maria T. Pangellinan, 3rd Vice President  
William B. Nabors, Convention Secretary  
Juan T. Lizama, Floor Leader

Members

Lorenzo I. Deleon Guerrero  
Alonzo Iglisomar  
David L. Igitol  
Rita H. Inos  
Benusto R. Kaipat  
Estevan M. King  
Luis M. Limes  
Jesus P. Mafnas  
Paul A. Manglona  
James M. Mendiola  
Aniceto H. Mundo  
Felicidad T. Ogunoro  
Karl T. Reyes  
Joaquin A. Tenorio  
Francisco Tomokane  
William S. Torres  
Ramon G. Villagomez  
Ignacio Villanueva

REPORT TO THE CONVENTION BY THE  
COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENTAL INSTITUTIONS  
AND THE

- COMMITTEE ON PERSONAL RIGHTS AND NATURAL RESOURCES

Subject: COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION NO. 51

Your Committee on Governmental Institutions and your Committee on Personal Rights and Natural Resources recommend that the Convention meeting in the Committee of the Whole adopt the attached proposed constitutional amendment with respect to the Marianas Public Land Trustee.

The proposed constitutional amendment recommended by your Committees would increase the number of trustees of MPLT from three (3) to five (5) at the same time as the constitutional restriction on the types of investments that the trust can make are lifted.

Currently, MPLT is only permitted to invest in obligation of the United States government. Your Committees feel that a broaden viewpoint and a larger group of directors is needed when the Trust starts considering more risky investments.

Delegate Proposals: Your Committees considered Delegate Proposal Nos. 11-85, 87-85, 133-85, 155-85, and 277-85 and concluded that the change included in the attached Committee Recommendation is the only one required at this time.

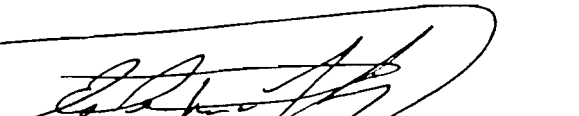
Therefore, your Committees strongly urge all delegates to support the attached Committee Recommendations.

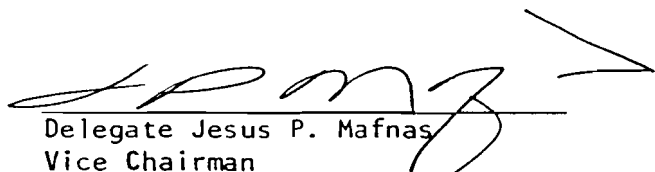
Respectfully submitted,

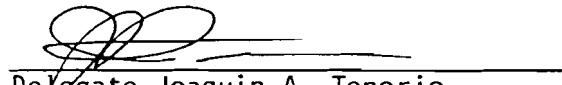
COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENTAL INSTITUTIONS

COMMITTEE ON PERSONAL RIGHTS AND NATURAL RESOURCES

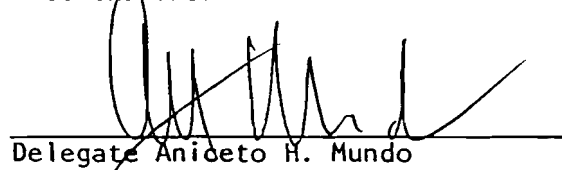
  
Delegate Juan T. Lizama  
Chairman

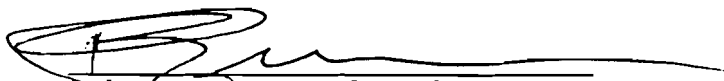
  
Delegate Esteven M. King  
Chairman

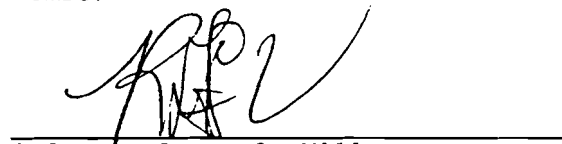
  
Delegate Jesus P. Mafnas  
Vice Chairman

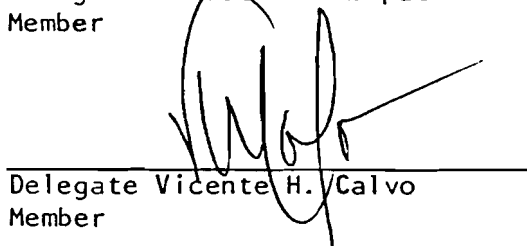
  
Delegate Joaquin A. Tenorio  
Vice Chairman

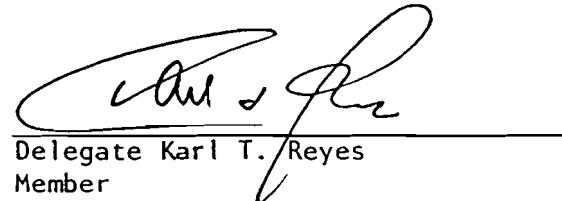
  
Delegate Felicidad T. Ogumoro  
Member

  
Delegate Aniceto H. Mundo  
Member

  
Delegate Benasto R. Kaipat  
Member

  
Delegate Ramon G. Villagomez  
Member

  
Delegate Vicente H. Calvo  
Member

  
Delegate Karl T. Reyes  
Member

\_\_\_\_\_  
Delegate David M. Cing  
Member

\_\_\_\_\_  
Delegate Alonzo Igisomar  
Member

A PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

To amend Article XI, Section 6(a) to provide for an increase in the number of trustees of the Marianas Public Land Trust from three to five.

BE IT ADOPTED BY THE SECOND CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION:

Upon ratification pursuant to Section 5 of Article XVIII of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands Constitution and Public Law No. 4-30, the Constitution of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands is amended as follows:

1. Effective upon ratification, Section 6(a) of Article XI is amended to read:

"a) The trust shall have three trustees appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the senate; <sup>except</sup> ~~provided~~ that ten years after the effective date of this Constitution, the number of trustees

shall be increased to five; <sup>one of whom shall be from Japan, one of whom shall be from Tinian, one of whom shall be from Rota, one of whom shall be a woman, and one of whom shall be a person of Carolinian descent.</sup>

*Adopted by the Senate  
Vote of the Senate  
7/15/85*

*A - 5  
N - 4  
Y - 15*

COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENTAL  
INSTITUTIONS

COMMITTEE ON PERSONAL RIGHTS AND  
NATURAL RESOURCES

A PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

To amend Article XI, Section 6(a) to provide for an increase in the number of trustees of the Marianas Public Land Trust from three to five.

BE IT ADOPTED BY THE SECOND CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION:

Upon ratification pursuant to Section 5 of Article XVIII of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands Constitution and Public Law No. 4-30, the Constitution of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands is amended as follows:

1. Effective upon ratification, Section 6(a) of Article XI is amended to read:

"a) The trust shall have <sup>three</sup> ~~five~~ trustees appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the senate. ~~Three shall be from Saipan, one from Rota, one from Tinian, one shall be woman and one shall be a person of Carolinian descent.~~ *INSEKT attached language*)

Adopted by the Committee of the Whole and the Convention on July 15, 1985.

A-5  
N-4  
Y-15

AYES-20  
NAYS-4  
7/16/85

1  
2  
3  
4  
5  
6  
7  
8  
9  
10  
11  
12  
13  
14  
15  
16  
17  
18  
19  
20  
21

Adopted on Jim Reading

After the Constitution has been in effect for ten years, the number of trustees appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the senate shall be increased to five. Three shall be from Japan, one from Rota, and one from Tinian. At least one trustee shall be a woman and one trustee shall be of carolinian descent.

\* The trustees shall serve for a term of six years except that the term of office shall be staggered, three trustees shall serve for four years *Kanon St. Valerian* and two trustees shall serve for six years as determined by drawing lots. ~~that~~

§ 6 (f). The trustees shall be held to strict standards of fiduciary care.

~~The MPTA shall~~ Each trustee shall ~~annually~~ annually submit to the auditing officers of the legislature and the governor a report disclosing their financial affairs, as required by legislation.

7/20/85  
A - 2  
N - 0  
Y - 16  
absent - 6

After the Constitution has been in effect for ten years, the number of trustees appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the senate shall be increased to five. Three shall be from Sursum, one from Rota, <sup>and</sup> one from Trinidad. At least one trustee shall be a woman and one trustee shall be of carolinian descent.

Ramon S. Vellazquez