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REPORT TO THE CONVENTION BY THE  
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Subject: Committee Recommendation No. 54

Your Committee on Governmental Institutions recommends that the Convention, meeting in Committee of the Whole, adopt the attached constitutional amendment relative to requiring a candidate for the house of representatives to be a registered voter of the election precinct where he is a candidate.

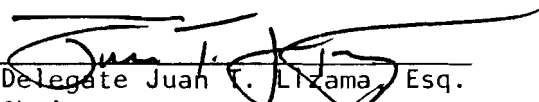
Your Committee's recommended constitutional amendment would ensure a closer interaction between the candidate and the people of the election precinct in which he seeks office, and it would encourage the candidate to be more informed of the needs of the people of his election precinct.

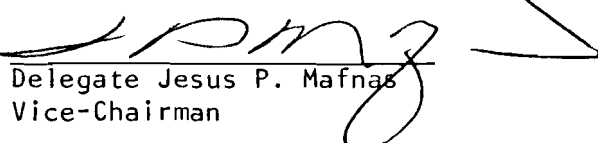
Your Committee finds that the proposed amendment will help to assure better communication between the candidate and the people in the precinct and will contribute to a more efficient government.

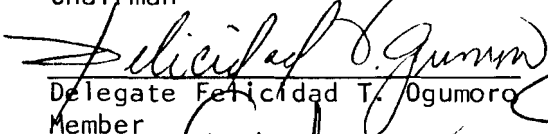
Delegate Proposal: Your Committee considered Delegate Proposal No. 213-85 and the recommendation presented in this Committee Report supports the full intent of the delegate proposal.

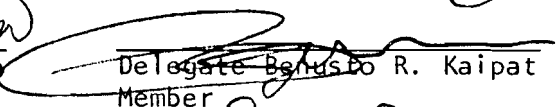
Therefore, your Committee strongly urges all Convention delegates to support the attached Committee recommendation for amendment to the Constitution.

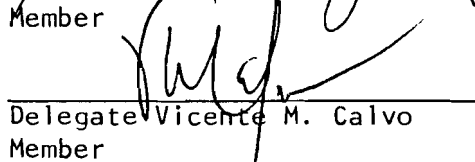
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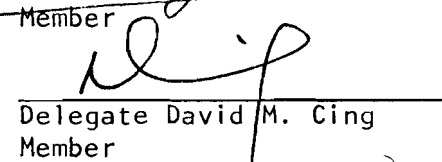
  
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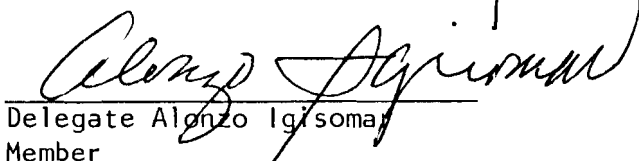
  
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Upon ratification pursuant to Section 5 of Article XVIII of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands Constitution and Public Law No. 4-30, the Constitution of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands is amended as follows:

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*Adopted by the  
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