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Mr. Jesus P. Mafnas
Vice Chairman,
Committee on Governmental Institutions
Second NMI Constitutional Convention
Saipan, CM 96950

Dear Vice Chairman:

I respectfully submit my testimony supporting Delegate Proposal No. 232-85.

This proposal recognizes the existence of functions common to both houses of the legislature and consolidates such common functions in a manner which will provide continuity of services and a more efficient use of resources. Pooling of resources and functions should be implemented resulting in word processing, car, secretarial pool, and the like. It also tends to depoliticize essential core functions of the administrative sector of the legislature and will enable legislators to get on with the business of law-making rather than be continually burdened with the in-house staff politics.

Thank you for allowing me to share my thoughts on this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Rex I. Palacios".

Rex I. Palacios
Public Auditor, CNMI

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