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TO: People of the Northern Mariana Islands

Greetings from Washington, D.C.!

I am sure by now that this year's important political campaigns are the center of attention throughout the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands. How I wish I could be in the Commonwealth to participate in this vital electoral process.

In addition to the important legislative races and our Commonwealth's third gubernatorial election, this year's ballot will contain 44 proposals to amend the Constitution of the Northern Mariana Islands. On behalf of the delegates to the Second Northern Mariana Islands Constitutional Convention, I would like to urge all voters to take the time to study and vote on these 44 proposed amendments. Our young Commonwealth is an experiment in democracy and it will only succeed if the voters make wise choices on the fundamental issues that were reported by the Constitutional Convention.

As the former President of the Second Northern Mariana Islands Constitutional Convention, I am well aware of the length and complexity of the proposed amendments. I urge all voters to take the time to review the proposals in advance of election day and bring a list to a polling place to remember your vote on each proposal. If you have not decided on a proposal, copies of the text of each amendment in Chamorro, Carolinian and English languages are available at the Post-Constitutional Convention Committee Office located at the J.M. Building in Garapan.

We all know that the candidates we elect to political office will affect our lives for the next 2, 4, or 6 years. Just remember that the Constitutional amendments that are ratified on election day will affect not only our own lives, but those of future generations as well.

Please give these proposed amendments the attention they deserve and vote wisely on November 3, 1985.

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