

THIRD NORTHERN MARIANAS
CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION

SUMMARY JOURNAL
Fifty-Fourth Day
Friday, July 28, 1995

1. Call to Order: The session was called to order by the President at 9:35 a.m. at the Chamber of the House of Representatives, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands Legislature.

2. Preliminary Matters: None.

3. Roll Call: A roll call by the Convention Clerk showed 17 members present and 10 absent. The President noted the absence of any delegates from Tinian and Rota. He and other delegates addressed the situation that confronted the Convention. A motion to recess was made and carried. The Convention reconvened at 2:08 p.m. Another roll call by the Convention Clerk showed 19 members present, including members from Rota and Tinian, 2 excused and 5 absent. One delegate arrived late.

4. Adoption of Journals: The Daily Journals for July 24 and 25, 1995 were adopted. The Summary Journals of July 25 and 26, 1995 were adopted.

5. Reports of Committees:

Vice Chairman Aldan-Pierce of the Committee on Land and Personal Rights reported that the Committee has completed its final report on Articles 11, 14 and 16 and these articles were ready for second reading.

Chairman Aldan of the Committee on Legislative Branch and Public Finance reported that Articles 7, 8 and 10 are calendared for discussion and second reading today.

Chairman Nogis of the Committee on Executive Branch and Local Government reported that the Committee has a draft report on Article 3, section 17 and Article 6.

Vice Chairman D. Mendiola of the Committee on Judiciary and Other Elected Offices reported that the Committee has completed its work on Article 9 and a final report will be ready tomorrow.

6. Introduction of Proposed Amendments: Delegates Gonzales, Aldan, Villagomez, J. Tenorio and Guerrero introduced proposed amendments. Delegate V. Aldan reintroduced an amendment.

7. Motions and Resolutions: Delegate J. Tenorio withdrew his motion to reconsider the vote on Article 3, sections 13 and 16.

8. Unfinished Business: None.

9. Special Orders of the Day: Articles 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14, 15 and 16 were calendared for discussion by the Committee of the Whole and for second reading.

10. General Orders of the Day: The Convention resolved into a Committee of the Whole. Delegate Villagomez was appointed Chair of the Committee of the Whole.

The Reports of the Committee on Legislative Branch and Public Finance on Articles 7, 8, 10, as amended, and 15 were approved and reported to the Convention.

The Reports of the Committee on Land and Personal Rights on Article 11, as amended, 13, 14 and 16 were approved and reported to the Convention.

The Report of the Committee on Judiciary and Other Elected Offices on Article 9 was referred back to the Committee.

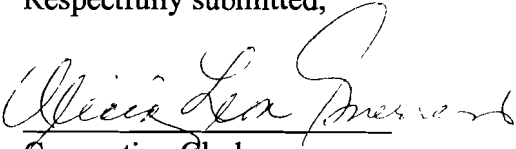
After the Committee of the Whole was dissolved, the Chair reported to the Convention the actions taken by the Committee of the Whole.

Articles 7, 8, 10 as amended, 11 as amended, 13, 14, 15 and 16 were passed on second and final reading.

11. Announcements and Miscellaneous Business: Several delegates spoke about the Convention leadership.

There being no further matters before the Convention, the Convention adjourned at 5:29 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Alicia Lopez
Convention Clerk