

THIRD NORTHERN MARIANAS
CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION

SUMMARY JOURNAL
Fifty-Seventh Day
Monday, July 31, 1995

1. Call to Order: The session was called to order by the President at 2:47 p.m. at the Chamber of the House of Representatives, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands Legislature.

2. Preliminary Matters: The President announced the plenary session would consider several lengthy matters this afternoon.

3. Roll Call: A roll call by the Convention Clerk showed 21 delegates present, 1 excused and 5 absent. The President noted the absence of ^{all the} ~~any~~ ⁵ delegate~~s~~ from Tinian and that they were meeting with the Mayor of Tinian. Delegate Tom Aldan moved under Rule 62⁰ to suspend the rules and modify the quorum requirement in Rule 4. Delegate Hocog asked for a recess so that he could go to Tinian and urge the delegates to attend. A motion to recess until 5:00 p.m. was made and carried. The Convention was called back to order at 5:39 p.m. A roll call by the Convention Clerk showed 24 delegates present, 1 excused and 2 absent. ✓

4. Adoption of Journals: The Daily Journals for July 26, 27, 28 and 29, 1995 were adopted. The Summary Journals for July 28 and 29, 1995 were adopted.

5. Reports of Committees: The President announced that Articles 6 and 12 would be completed today and that the Schedule on Transition would be completed tomorrow. Thursday is the last scheduled day of the Convention. The Style Committee is considering the signing and printing of the Constitution. Delegate Gonzales has almost completed a version of the Constitution in Chamorro. The President reminded everyone to review and comment on the Analysis.

Chairman Lifofoi of the Committee on Land and Personal Rights reported that the Committee met today on Article 12 and asked that it be calendared for The Committee of the Whole.

Chairman Aldan of the Committee on Legislative Branch and Public Finance reported that his Committee had almost completed its work on the Schedule on Transition.

Chairman Nogis of the Committee on Executive Branch and Local Government reported that the Committee is considering further changes to Article 6.

Chairman Hofschneider of the Committee on Judiciary and Other Elected Offices reported that the Committee has completed its work and will meet tomorrow to finalize provisions for the Schedule on Transition.

6. Introduction of Proposed Amendments: Delegates Fleming, Aldan-Pierce, T. Aldan, Camacho, Villagomez, Hocog and Igitol introduced proposed amendments.

7. Motions and Resolutions: Delegate T. Aldan withdrew his motion under Rule 62[Ⓢ] made earlier today and gave notice of a motion to reconsider Article 2, Section 3. Delegate Igitol gave notice of a motion to reconsider Article 16. Delegate Villagomez' motion to amend Rules 5 and 6 was defeated. ✓

8. Unfinished Business: None.

9. Special Orders of the Day: Articles 6 and 12 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 Fleming was appointed Chair of the Committee of the Whole.

Article 6, as amended, was approved and reported to the Convention for second reading.

The Report of the Committee on Land and Personal Rights on Article 12, second reading, was approved and reported to the Convention.

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

Article 6, as amended, and Article 12 were passed on second and final reading.

11. Announcements and Miscellaneous Business: None.

There being no further matters before the Convention, the Convention adjourned at 9:36 p.m.

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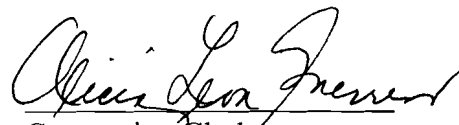
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