

THIRD NORTHERN MARIANAS  
CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION

SUMMARY JOURNAL  
Fifty-Ninth Day  
Wednesday, August 2, 1995

1. Call to Order: The session was called to order by the President at 2:10 p.m. at the Chamber of the House of Representatives, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands Legislature.
2. Preliminary Matters: Delegate Lifoifoi was appointed floor leader for the session.
3. Roll Call: A roll call by the Convention Clerk showed 22 delegates present, 2 excused and 3 absent.
4. Adoption of Journals: The Daily Journal for July 31, 1995 was adopted. The Summary Journal for August 1, 1995 was adopted.

5. Reports of Committees:

The President announced the composition of the Post-Convention Committee.

Vice Chair Aldan-Pierce of the Committee on Land and Personal Rights had nothing to report.

Chair Aldan of the Committee on Legislative Branch and Public Finance had nothing to report.

Chair Nogis of the Committee on Executive Branch and Local Government had nothing to report.

Chair Hofschneider of the Committee on Judiciary and Other Elected Offices had nothing to report.

Chair Seman of the Style Committee discussed comments received on the Committee's report. The report was adopted.

6. Introduction of Proposed Amendments: None.

7. Motions and Resolutions: Delegate T. Aldan gave notice of a motion to reconsider Article 18, Section 3. He also asked for a ruling by counsel on the procedural propriety of yesterday's amendment to Article 16. Delegate J. Tenorio moved a vote of thanks to the staff and delegates. Resolution No. 10 thanking Mr. Willens and Ms. Siemer for their service as legal counsel was adopted. Resolution No. 11 urging the legislature to create an office of the Special Assistant to the Governor for Women's Affairs was adopted. Resolution No. 12 applauding the Convention's legal team and administrative staff was passed. Resolution No. 13 saluting Alicia Guerrero for her work as Convention Clerk was adopted. Resolution No. 14 acknowledging the work of the

news media that covered the Convention was adopted.

8. Unfinished Business: None.

9. Special Orders of the Day: The Analysis of the Constitution was calendared for discussion by the Committee of the Whole.

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

The Analysis of the Constitution was discussed.

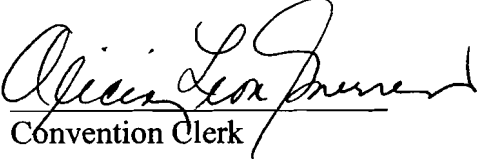
After the Committee of the Whole was dissolved, the Chair reported to the Convention the actions taken by the Committee of the Whole.

In response to Delegate Aldan, Counsel advised that yesterday's amendment to Article 16 was in violation of Rules of Procedure 52(d) and was null and void, unless properly readopted. No motion to reconsider or redraft was made.

11. Announcements and Miscellaneous Business: The President discussed the closing session. The President encouraged all delegates to support efforts to have a special election next year to vote on the Convention's amendments.

There being no further matters before the Convention, the Convention adjourned at 6:25 p.m. until tomorrow at 1:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Convention Clerk