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Honorable Froilan C. Tenorio Governor Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands Saipan, MP 96950

Dear Governor Tenorio:

The Executive Director of the Board of Elections has provided me with his memorandum of March 15, 1995, to your Special Assistant for Management and Budget, requesting allotment of funds for the March 4, 1995 Election of Delegates to the Third Constitutional Convention. A copy is enclosed for your reference.

The Section 24 of Public Law 9-18 authorizes the appropriation of such funds as are deemed necessary to carry out the Board of Elections' responsibility with respect to the election of delegates to the Convention. It further states that, if the Legislature fails to appropriate the necessary funds within thirty (30) days after the effective date of the act, the Governor is given the authority to reprogram funds to implement this Act. The authority of the Governor to reprogram is not limited by 1 CMC Section 7402(b).

The Board of Elections is requesting an allotment of \$32,200.00 to cover the expenses of the 1995 election of delegates to the Convention. Therefore, I am requesting that you exercise your authority under Section 24 of Public Law 9-18 to reprogram funds in the amount of \$32,200.00 to cover the election expenses.

Your prompt attention to this matter would be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

HERMAN T. GUERRERO Chair

Enclosure

cc: Board of Elections