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Office of Complaints Examination
and Legal Administration
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Washington, D.C. 20463

Re: P-MUR 609 (Diann T. Torres and Lady Diann Torres Foundation)

Dear Ms. Dennis:

This responds to P-MUR 609 which is an inquiry regarding whether Diann T. Torres and Lady Diann Torres Foundation ("LDTF") have violated certain provisions of the Federal Campaign Act of 1971, as amended (the "Act"), based on conduct in the local elections held in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands ("Commonwealth" or CNMI) during the 2014, 2016, and 2018 election cycles. It is implied that LDTF and Diann, personally and in her official capacity as President of LDTF, may have violated the Act in connection with political campaign activity involving Angel Demapan ("Angel") and Diann's husband, Ralph DLG Torres, who is the current Commonwealth Governor. Based on the election cycles alleged, it is implied that LDTF and Diann, personally and in her official capacity, may be associated with violations of 52 U.S.C. § 30121 based on foreign nationals donating money directly or indirectly to (1) Angel's 2014 campaign for the Commonwealth House of Representatives, (2) Angel's 2016 re-election campaign, (3) Demapan For Congress ("DFC"), which is Angel's 2018 campaign for the Commonwealth's Washington Delegate seat (4) Lt. Governor Torres' 2014 election campaign and (5) Governor Torres' 2018 election campaign. It further indicates that contributions to the above campaigns may have violated 52 U.S.C. § 30116 for exceeding limitations on campaign contributions and 52 U.S.C. § 30118 which prohibits contributions and expenditures by banks, corporations, and unions. A copy of the FEC letter is attached hereto.

Diann and LDTF will respond to each of these concerns.¹ In support of their response, Diann and LDTF submit the following documentation: (1) a memorandum supporting the position that Commonwealth law and not United States law controls campaign contributions for local Commonwealth elections (hereinafter cited as "Covenant Memorandum"), (2) Diann's Declaration, (3) the declaration of Glenna SP Reyes ("Reyes Declaration") without attachments,

¹Diann means Diann in her personal and official capacities.

and (4) the declaration of GERALYN C. DELACRUZ with Attachments 1 and 2 ("Geri's Declaration").

I. Neither Diann Nor LDTF Has Not Engaged in any Conduct Which Violates the Act.

Prior to addressing the substantive issues, some background concerning the Commonwealth may prove beneficial.

The Commonwealth is a chain of thirteen single islands located in the western Pacific Ocean north of Guam and approximately 3900 miles west of Honolulu and 5600 miles southwest of Los Angeles. *See MTC v. N.L.R.B.* 820 F.2d 1097, 1098 (9th Cir. 1987). There are three principal islands which are Saipan, Tinian, and Rota, with Saipan being the most populous. *Rayphand v. Sablan*, 95 F.Supp.2d 1133, 1135 (D.N.Mariana Islands 1999). Given the Commonwealth's location and small population, it is dependent upon foreign nationals for economic investment and labor as recognized by Congress. *See Consolidated Natural Resources Act of 2008 ("CNRA")*, P.L. 110-229 (May 8, 2008). Specifically, Congress recognizes that given "the Commonwealth's unique economic circumstances, history, and geographical location, it is the intent of the Congress that the Commonwealth is given as much flexibility as possible in maintaining existing businesses and other revenue sources, and developing new economic opportunities" consistent with the CNRA. *Id.*, §701(b). The Judiciary also recognizes the Commonwealth's uniqueness given the Covenant to Establish a Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands in Political Relationship with the United States of America ("Covenant") which limits the United States authority over the Commonwealth. *See Northern Mariana Islands v. United States*, 399 F.3d 1057, 1062 - 1063 (9th Cir. 2005) ["We do not dispute that 'the authority of the United States towards the CNMI arises solely under the Covenant.'"]. The Commonwealth's uniqueness makes it inappropriate to view and consider the Commonwealth through the same lens utilized to examine other non-State jurisdictions which are subject to the plenary power of the territorial clause.

The background on the Covenant, the Commonwealth's uniqueness and the limitation of the United States authority over the Commonwealth with respect to local Commonwealth elections are discussed in the Covenant Memorandum accompanying this response, which memorandum is incorporated into this response.

A. Diann and LDTF Did Not Violate 52 U.S.C. § 30116.

Section 30116 places limitations on the contributions a political campaign can accept. The FEC letter does not present any allegation relating to any specific contribution(s) which exceed the Act's limitation. Instead, it merely states that contributions received "may have violated" §30116 for the 2014, 2016, and 2018 campaigns.

Dian and LDTF contend that §30116 does not apply in the Commonwealth as Commonwealth law and not United States law governs internal Commonwealth elections. *See* Covenant Memorandum. In any event, there are not any facts which will support a finding that Diann and/or LDTF violated §30116.

Attachments 1 and 2 to Geri's Declaration constitute the campaign filing reports for Angel Demapan's 2014 and 2016 campaigns, respectively. A review of the documents reveals that neither of the campaigns violated §30116's contribution limit. Likewise, the FEC filings of DFC establish that DFC has not transgressed §30116's contribution limitation. Moreover, Diann did not assist in any political activity associated with Angel's 2014 and 2016 elections. Diann Declaration ¶¶ 8 & 9. Moreover, LDTF was not in existence in 2014 since it was formed in 2015. *See* Diann Declaration ¶17 & Attachments 1 & 2. Furthermore, LDTF is a non-profit entity that did not and does not engage in political fundraising. Diann Declaration ¶¶ 18-19.

B. Diann and LDTF Have Not Violated 52 U.S.C. §30118

Section 30118 prohibits corporations from contributing to federal elections but allows corporations to contribute to non-federal elections if allowed by the law of the particular jurisdiction. *See Cort v. Ash*, 422 U.S. 66, 95 S.Ct. 2080 (1975). The statute allows unions to make political contributions provided certain conditions are met, *see Pipefitters Local Union No. 562 v. United States*, 407 U.S. 385, 92 S.Ct. 2247, but apparently prohibits national banks from contributing to any election.

The FEC letter does not contain any allegation relating to any specific contribution which violates §30118, but a fair reading of the letter suggests that it implies contributions by Imperial Pacific International (CNMI) LLC may have violated §30118. Diann and LDTF contend that §30118 does not apply in the Commonwealth as Commonwealth law and not United States law governs internal Commonwealth elections. *See* Covenant Memorandum. In any event, the facts are insufficient to show that Diann or LDTF violated §30118.

Commonwealth law allows corporations to contribute to political campaigns. NMIAC §30-10-010(j). *See* Covenant Memorandum at 6 [Setting forth definition of "contributor" under Commonwealth law.] Thus, IPI or any other corporation making a political contribution in a local Commonwealth election does not violate §30118. Furthermore, DFC's filing with the FEC establishes that neither IPI nor any other corporation has made a contribution to DFC. This means a §30118 violation exists only if a national bank made a contribution or a union made a contribution without satisfying the necessary prerequisites.

Attachments 1 and 2 to Geri's Declaration constitute the campaign filing reports for Angel's 2014 and 2016 campaigns respectively. A review of the documents reveals that no national bank or union contributed to Angel's 2014 and 2016 campaigns. Likewise, the FEC filings of DFC establish that no national bank or union has contributed to DFC. Moreover, neither Diann nor

LDTF engaged in any political activity relating to Angel's 2014, 2016, and 2018 campaigns. *See* Diann Declaration ¶¶ 8, 9 & 19. Neither Diann nor LDTF solicited or received any contribution from a national bank or union in connection with the 2014 campaign of Lt. Governor Torres or the current 2018 campaign of Governor Torres. *See Id.*

C. Diann and LDTF Have Not Violated 52 U.S.C. §30121

Section 30121 prohibits foreign nationals from contributing to any federal, state or local election and prohibits soliciting contributions from foreign nationals in connection with any federal, state or local election. Diann and LDTF contend that §30121 does not apply in the Commonwealth as Commonwealth law and not United States law governs internal Commonwealth elections. *See* Covenant Memorandum. The Covenant Memorandum provides an analysis of why §30121 does not apply to local Commonwealth elections. Nevertheless, the facts are insufficient to show that neither Diann nor LDTF have violated §30121.

All contributors to DFC are individuals and Geri believes them all to be U.S. citizens and she does not have any reason to believe otherwise. *See* Geri's Declaration ¶13. In any event, neither Diann nor LDTF were associated or involved with Angel's 2014, 2016 or 2018 campaigns. Diann Declaration ¶ 8, 9 & 19. Additionally, Diann's was not involved in fundraising activity in connection with the 2014 campaign when her husband was a candidate for Lt. Governor. *See* Diann Declaration ¶8. Diann does not have any significant involvement in the financial aspect of her husband's 2018 election campaign. *See* Diann Declaration ¶¶ 5, 10 & 11. The peripheral involvement she has is with donating beverages and food, selling tickets and selling one corporate table. *Id.*, ¶11. Those activities did not involve foreign nationals. *Id.* Neither Diann nor LDTF had any involvement with IPI contributing to any political campaign. *See* Geri's Declaration ¶ 27. Lastly, LDTF has not had any involvement with fundraising for any political campaign during the 2014, 2016 and 2018 elections. *See* Diann Declaration ¶16.

II. Suggested Disposition of This Matter

Based on the Covenant Memorandum, the inquiry concerning elections other than the 2018 campaign for the Commonwealth's Washington Delegate's seat should be dismissed as the Act does not apply to local Commonwealth elections. To the extent the inquiry relates to the 2018 election for the Commonwealth's Washington Delegate seat in Congress, it should also be dismissed as the documentation shows that DFC has not engaged in any conduct violative of the Act. Dismissal is further appropriate as there simply are not any facts which connect Diann or LDTF to any political involvement which violates the Act.

If the FEC declines to agree that the Act does not apply to local Commonwealth elections or dismiss the matter for lack of evidence, then it possesses very broad discretion in deciding how to address this matter. *See Heckler v. Chaney*, 470 U.S. 821, 105 S.Ct. 1649 (1985). To this extent,

dismissal is the appropriate exercise of discretion in this matter. Dismissal is proper when the monetary amount involved is small, the evidence is vague or weak, or the alleged conduct is insufficient to justify the cost associated with establishing a violation. Each of these basis justifies dismissal.

██████████ this matter apparently lacks specificity in as much as it makes broad assertions, but is deficient on actual facts. For instance, ██████████ is based on alleged foreign national contributions, it only identifies one contributor as a foreign national which is IPI, the Commonwealth corporation which is the exclusive casino license holder for Saipan's casino. ██████████ could not identify any other foreign national contributor despite its resources, then this suggests great difficulty exists in proving a §30121 violation. *See* FEC Advisory Opinion 1998-14 at 4-5 (August 13 1998[Noting that surnames are not indicative of foreign national status given the existence of a multi-ethnic population]. It can also mean ██████████ simply a means for targeting IPI ██████████

Moreover, the submissions with this response establish that no foreign nationals have contributed to Angel's 2018 campaign for the Commonwealth's Washington Delegate seat. *See* Geri's Declaration ¶ 13. There is uncertainty regarding the citizenship or immigration status of a small percentage of the contributors to Angel's 2014 and 2016 campaigns, but it is unknown if, in fact, any of them are foreign nationals. *See* Geri's Declaration ¶ 29. This indicates that the amount of foreign contributions associated with Commonwealth elections are minor or insufficient. Even more so, the remoteness and small population of the Commonwealth supports the inference that the sums of any foreign contribution are simply too small to justify the cost and expense of attempting to prove or show the existence of a violation.

Furthermore, if the FEC concludes that the Act applies to the Commonwealth despite the Covenant, then its determination should only apply prospectively rather than retroactively. A prospective application is reasonable since Commonwealth law allows foreign contributions in local elections and given the fact that no previous action has not taken concerning the matter even though it was never hidden, masked, or disguised by anyone in the Commonwealth given its allowance by law. For sure, no one involved in local Commonwealth campaigns has intentionally violated the Act as they were acting in accordance with Commonwealth law and, prior to July 31, 2018 Commonwealth election officials never informed anyone that the Act applies to and controls local Commonwealth elections during election workshops. *See* Geri's Declaration ¶¶ 30-36; Reyes Declaration ¶¶29-33. Additionally, the Reyes Declaration clearly points out how the use of the word "funneled" in the FEC letter is essentially an unnecessary inflammatory term in as much as Commonwealth law allows contributions by foreign nationals and that foreign national contributions in local Commonwealth elections are and always have been above board and have never been hidden, masked or otherwise disguised. *See* Glenna Declaration ¶ 37.

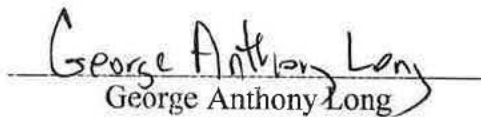
Even more so, if the applicability of the Act is applied retroactively, then it essentially means an investigation should be conducted with respect to every prior candidate for every local Commonwealth election and Washington Delegate election within the applicable limitations

period. Otherwise, the FEC may be perceived as being affiliated with political gamesmanship in the Commonwealth's election process, *see* Reyes Declaration ¶¶ 35- 38, as opposed to being a neutral arbiter in the election process. Accordingly, implementing the prohibition prospectively is simply the fairness and most equitable means for addressing Commonwealth election law allowing foreign national contributions if it is concluded that the Act supersedes Commonwealth law. For instance, with respect to other portions of the former Trust Territories, the FEC has indicated that political advertisements and other forms of soliciting political contributions should contain clear and conspicuous print summarizing the prohibitions of §30121. FEC Advisory Opinion 1998-14 at 5. It further notes that using a contributor card with clear notation indicating the contributor's citizenship or immigration status would also be useful. *Id.* Since Commonwealth law allows foreign contributions and prior to July 31, 2018 Commonwealth election officials never instructed or informed participants in its election workshops that foreign national contributions are prohibited, the procedures referenced in Advisory Opinion No. 1998-14 were never suggested or encouraged or viewed as being applicable in the Commonwealth. Applying §30121 prospectively, allows for the orderly implementation and use of procedures to identify foreign national contributors. *See e.g.* CNRA, P.L. 110-229 §701 [Congress recognizing the need for an orderly transition of the Commonwealth into the United States immigration system and the need to avoid adverse effects from the transition].

Lastly, if it is determined that the Act applies to local Commonwealth elections despite the Covenant and the determination is applied retroactively, then Diann and LDTF respectively request conciliation in effort to resolve this matter if it is not otherwise dismissed.

CONCLUSION

For the reasons stated above, this matter should be dismissed as Commonwealth law rather than the Act controls campaign activities associated with local Commonwealth elections. Dismissal is also proper as there are no facts which can support a finding that Diann or LDTF engaged in any conduct which violates the Act. If the FEC disagrees with Diann and LDTF's interpretation of the law and concludes that facts exist which connect them to a violation of the Act, then this matter should be resolved without a finding of any violation and the prohibition of foreign national contributions in local Commonwealth elections should be applied prospectively.


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RE: P-MUR 609

Dear Ms. Torres:

The Federal Election Commission ("Commission"), has ascertained information in the normal course of carrying out its supervisory responsibilities indicating that the Lady Diann Torres Foundation and you, in your individual and official capacity, may have violated the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended (the "Act").¹ It appears from campaign filings from the 2014 election, and other sources, as well as information related to the 2016 and 2018 elections, that Imperial Pacific International (CNMI) LLC and at least four other foreign companies or individuals donated money directly or indirectly to the campaigns of Ralph Torres (who was running for Lt. Governor in 2014) and Angel Demapan (who was running for CNMI House Representative in 2014). There is also information to suggest that some of these contributions were funneled to Governor Torres' campaign(s) through the Lady Diann Torres Foundation non-profit organization. These contributions may have violated the provisions of 52 U.S.C. §§ 30116 (limitations on contributions and expenditures), 30118 (contributions/expenditures by banks, corporations and unions), 30121 (prohibiting foreign nationals from making contributions, and political committees from accepting contributions from foreign nationals, involving any election in the United States), as well as other provisions of the Act and Commission regulations. We have numbered this matter P-MUR 609.

The Act affords you the opportunity to demonstrate in writing that no action should be taken against Lady Diann Torres Foundation and you, in your individual and official capacity. If you wish to file a response, you may submit any factual or legal materials that you believe are relevant to the Commission's consideration of this matter. Where appropriate, statements should be submitted under oath by persons with relevant knowledge. Your response, which should be addressed to the General Counsel's Office, must be submitted within 15 days of receipt of this letter. If no response is received within 15 days, the Commission may take further action based on the available information.

This matter will remain confidential in accordance with 52 U.S.C. §§ 30109(a)(4)(B) and 30109(a)(12)(A) unless you notify the Commission in writing that you wish the matter to be made public. Please be advised that, although the Commission cannot disclose information

¹ Notification [REDACTED] is being provided to you pursuant to the Commission's Agency Procedure for Notice to Respondents in Non-Complaint Generated Matters, as published in the Federal Register on August 4, 2009 (74 Fed. Reg. 38,617).

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regarding an investigation to the public, it may share information on a confidential basis with other law enforcement agencies.²

If you intend to be represented by counsel in this matter, please advise the Commission by completing the enclosed form stating the name, address, and telephone number of such counsel, and authorizing such counsel to receive any notifications and other communications from the Commission. Please note that you have a legal obligation to preserve all documents, records, and materials relating to the subject matter [REDACTED] until such time as you are notified that the Commission has closed its file in this matter. See 18 U.S.C. § 1519.

Any correspondence sent to the Commission, such as a response, must be addressed to one of the following (note, if submitting via email, this Office will provide an electronic receipt by email):

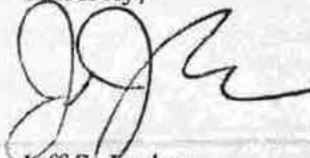
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If you have any questions, please contact Christal Dennis at (202) 694-1650 or toll free at 1-800-424-9530. For your information, we have enclosed a brief description of the Commission's preliminary procedures for processing possible violations discovered by the Commission.

Sincerely,



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² The Commission has the statutory authority to refer knowing and willful violations of the Act to the Department of Justice for potential criminal prosecution, 52 U.S.C. § 30109(a)(5)(C), and to report information regarding violations of law not within its jurisdiction to appropriate law enforcement authorities. *Id.* § 30107(a)(9).

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I. Background and Formation of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands

The Northern Mariana Islands were initially a part of the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands which the United States administered after World War II pursuant to a Trusteeship Agreement with the United Nations Security Council. *Mtoched v. Lynch*, 786 F.3d 1210, 1213 (9th Cir.2015). The Trusteeship Agreement imposed an obligation on the United States to "promote the development of the inhabitants of the trust territory toward self-government or independence." *CNMI v. United States*, 670 F.Supp.2d 65, 71 (D DC 2009).

After more than 20 years of the Trusteeship, negotiations began between the United States and the inhabitants of the various Pacific Island jurisdictions comprising the Trusteeship with the purpose of establishing a "framework for transition to constitutional self-government and future political relationships." *Segovia v. Board of Election Commissioners for City of Chicago*, 201

F. Supp. 3d 924, 945 (N.D. Ill. 2016), sub nom and vacated in part on other grounds *Segovia v. United States*, 880 F.3d 384 (7th Cir. 2018) quoting *United States v. Lebron-Caceres*, 2016 WL 204447, at *14 n.28. The negotiations produced four distinct political jurisdictions consisting of the Northern Mariana Islands, the Federated States of Micronesia, the Republic of the Marshall Islands, and the Republic of Palau. *Id.* All of the jurisdictions except for the Northern Mariana Islands “opted for independent statehood or free association.” *Id.*

The Northern Mariana Islands decided to pursue a political relationship with the United States which eventually, in 1975, led to the United States and the Northern Mariana Islands entering into the Covenant to Establish a Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands in Political Union with the United States of America ("Covenant") which granted the Northern Mariana Islands Commonwealth status. *Commonwealth v. Atalig*, 723 F.2d 682, 685 (9th Cir. 1984), cert. denied, 467 U.S. 1244 (1984). The Covenant was then endorsed by the Commonwealth legislature, approved in a vote by the people of the NMI and enacted as law by Congress. *Id.* The Covenant and the CNMI constitution enacted pursuant to the Covenant both became effective on January 9, 1978, at which time the people of the Commonwealth became self governing. *Magana v. Commonwealth*, 107 F.3d 1436, 1439 (9th Cir. 1997), as amended (May 1, 1997) citing *Temengil v. Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands*, 881 F.2d 647, 650 (9th Cir. 1989). The Covenant came into full force on November 3, 1986 pursuant to Presidential Proclamation. Proclamation No. 5564. *United States ex rel Richards v. Leon Guerrero*, 4 F.3d 749, 751 (9th Cir. 1993). See 51 Fed.Reg. 40,399 (1986), reprinted in 48 U.S.C. § 1681 note.

While the Covenant creates a political relationship between the United States and the Northern Mariana Islands, the United States' authority over the Commonwealth is not absolute

as the source and scope of United States authority over the Commonwealth is governed solely by the Covenant. *Northern Mariana Islands v. United States*, 399 F.3d 1057, 1062 - 1063 (9th Cir. 2005)[“We do not dispute that ‘the authority of the United States towards the CNMI arises solely under the Covenant.’ *Sagana*, 384 F.3d at 734 (quoting *Hillblom v. United States*, 896 F.2d 426, 429 (9th Cir.1990))”]. The Covenant, therefore, creates a “unique” relationship between the United States and the Commonwealth as “its provisions alone” define the boundaries of the relationship. *Richards*, 4 F.3d at 754; *Atalig*, 723 F.2d at 687. This “unique” relationship differentiates the Commonwealth from other non-State jurisdictions subject to United States sovereignty as it limits federal sovereignty by guaranteeing the Commonwealth the right to self-government over its internal affairs. *Segovia*, 201 F. Supp. 3d at 949.¹

The Covenant consists of ten articles that define the political relationship between the NMI and the United States. Of the ten articles, Articles I, II and III and Sections 501 and 805 are fundamental provisions and are subject to change only pursuant to mutual consultation and agreement between the United States and the Commonwealth. *Richards*, 4 F.3d at 754. Consistent with the Covenant’s fundamental provisions, the judiciary has ruled that the constitutional jury trial right does not apply in the Commonwealth, *Atalig, supra*, the 14th Amendment’s equal protection requirement does not apply with respect to race based classification for ownership of real property situated in the Commonwealth, *Wabol v. Villacrusis*, 958 F.2d 1450 (9th Cir.1990), and the constitutional principal of “one person, one vote” does not apply in the Commonwealth. *Rayphand v. Sablan*, 95 F. Supp. 2d 1133, 1134

¹The limitation of sovereignty is undisputed given that the territorial clause of the United States Constitution does not apply to the Commonwealth. *Magana*, 107 F.3d at 1439; Covenant § 501(a).

(D.N.M.I. 1999), *aff'd sub nom. Torres v. Sablan*, 528 U.S. 1110 (2000); *In Re Pangelinan*, 2008 WL 2670073, 2008 MP 12 (NMI 2008). The portion of the FEC letter applying United States election laws to local Commonwealth elections conflicts with Covenant Article 1 which guarantees the fundamental right of self-government on local matters.

Covenant Article 1 consists of five sections with the sections relevant to this matter being §§ 103 and 105. Section 103 grants the people of the Commonwealth “the right of local self-government” and the right to “govern themselves with respect to internal affairs in accordance with a Constitution of their own adoption.” While §105 allows the United States to enact legislation applicable to the Commonwealth within certain parameters, any such legislation cannot undermine the Covenant’s fundamental provisions such as Article 1’s right to self-government over internal matters. The FEC seeking to apply and enforce United States election laws to Commonwealth local elections is not sustainable under the self-governing provisions of Covenant §§ 103 and 105.

II. Local Commonwealth Elections Are an Internal Matter Subject to the Covenant’s Fundamental Self-Governing Provisions

Section 103’s right to self-government encompasses the Commonwealth adopting a constitution for governing its internal affairs. *See* Covenant §§ 101 and 201-203. Pursuant to this authorization, Commonwealth Constitution Article VIII § 3 vests the legislature with power over all matters relating to Commonwealth elections. *See Borja v. Tenorio*, 1998 WL 34073631 at *1, 5 N.M.I. 152 ¶ 3 (NM I 1998). *See also Nabors v. Manglona*, 829 F.2d 902, 904 (9th Cir. 1987). Commonwealth elections, therefore, are rightfully a matter of internal affairs for the

Commonwealth. This reasoning is supported by Covenant §901 and the Consolidated Natural Resources Act of 2008 (“CNRA”), P.L. 110-229 (2008).

Covenant § 901 provides that “[t]he Constitution or laws of the Northern Mariana Islands may provide for the appointment or election of a Resident Representative to the United States, whose term of office will be two years, unless otherwise determined by local law...”. Pursuant to this provision “[t] manner in which the Representative will be selected is left to the local government, which is entirely appropriate since the Northern Marianas will be self-governing.” *Section By Selection Analysis of the Covenant to Establish a Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands* at 122, Marianas Political Status Commission, ((Feb. 15, 1975). The CNRA reinforces the recognition that Commonwealth elections are an internal Commonwealth matter subject to the Covenant’s guarantee of self-government.

The CNRA replaced the Covenant’s Washington Representative with a Congressional Delegate seat thereby giving the Commonwealth a small voice in the federal legislative branch. The CNRA recognizes that Commonwealth elections are an internal matter subject to Commonwealth law as the relevant CNRA provision reads as follows:

[a]cting pursuant to legislation enacted in accordance with the Constitution of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, **the Government of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands may determine** the order of names on the ballot for election of Delegate, the method by which a special election to fill a permanent vacancy in the office of Delegate shall be conducted, the method by which ties between candidates for the office of Delegate shall be resolved, and **all other matters of local application pertaining to the election and the office of Delegate not otherwise expressly provided for in this subtitle.**

48 U.S.C. § 1755 (emphasis added). The CNRA does not contain any provision mandating or extending federal election laws to the Commonwealth. Acting pursuant to its legislative powers,

the Commonwealth enacted legislation enacted 1 CMC § 6360 *et seq.*, which establishes the election procedure for the Congressional Delegate position. Most importantly for purposes of this inquiry, is the express provision that “[e]xcept as otherwise provided by federal law, “the conduct of the election for the Congressional Delegate seat shall be in accordance with Commonwealth election law. *Id.*, §6366. Thus, pursuant to the Covenant, the CNRA, and Commonwealth law, United States election laws only apply to the Congressional Delegate position and not to local Commonwealth elections. This is not a novel conclusion in as much as the Supreme Court expressly recognizes that under the Constitution states retain to themselves “the power to regulate elections.” *See Oregon v. Mitchell*, 400 U.S. 112, 124-125, ---- S.Ct. ---- (1970). *See also James v. Bowman*, 190 U.S. 127, 142, 23 S.Ct. 678 (1903)[Judiciary striking down federal state criminalizing bribery in state and local elections on grounds that Congress lacked power to do so.]

III. Commonwealth Law Does Not Prohibit Campaign Contributions by Foreign Nationals in Elections for Local Office.

As previously noted, the Commonwealth Constitution delegates election matters to the legislature. The campaign finance laws enacted by the legislature define the term “contribution” but do not define or use the term the term “contributor.” *See* 1 CMC §6421 *et seq.* The Commonwealth legislature, however, created the Commonwealth Election Commission (“CEC”) and vested it with authority to promulgate detailed rules and procedures associated with Commonwealth elections. 1 CMC §6101 *et seq.* *See* NMIAC 30-10-Part 700. CEC regulations define “contributor” as

...any individual, corporation, political party, association, family trust, business, partnership, political action committee, candidate, organization, group, committee, elected official, citizen, or any other entity that provides money, property, advertising, independent expenditures, expendable goods or services, or anything else of value to a candidate, potential candidate, for that candidate's campaign.

NMIAC §30-10-010(j)(emphasis added). Similarly, the CEC regulations define the term "supporter" as being "a contributor, or an individual who is not a contributor but who advocates the election of one or more candidates or the approval or rejection of an issue on the ballot or otherwise supports a campaign." *Id.*, §30-10-010(w) Neither definition excludes foreign nationals from being a contributor or supporter to a candidate or campaign for a local Commonwealth political office. Moreover, no provision of the Commonwealth Election Code or the CEC Regulations excludes or prohibits foreign nationals from making contributions to a political campaign for a candidate seeking election to a local Commonwealth office.

IV. The Restrictions Imposed by United States Election Laws on Campaign Contributions By Foreign Nationals Are Inapplicable to Elections for Local Commonwealth Office

United States law prohibits a person from knowingly soliciting, accepting or receiving a contribution or donation from a foreign nation (1) in connection with a Federal, State, or local election, (2) or for a committee of a political party, (3) or for an electioneering communication. *See* 52 U.S.C. § 30121. The federal legislative scheme defines "State" to mean "a State of the United States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, or a territory or possession of the United States." This prohibition does not extend to the Commonwealth under the Covenant.

By its own terms, §30121 does not apply to the Commonwealth based on the definition of State. Section 30101 does not mention the Commonwealth in the definition of “State.” Instead it references “the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, or a territory or possession of the United States.” As previously noted, the Covenant creates a “unique” relationship between the Commonwealth and the United States, See *Atalig*, 723 F.2d at 691 n.28, which is premised on the Commonwealth having the right to self-government over internal matters, See *Segovia*, 201 F. Supp. 3d at 949. Thus, the perfunctory reference to “a territory or possession of the United States” in a United States statute cannot reasonably be construed as including the Commonwealth.² See *In Re Pangelinan*, 2008 WL 2670073, 2008 MP 12 (NMI 2008)[“We have also expressed disapproval at being conceptualized, analogized, or treated as a United States “territory” when the Covenant clearly envisions a relationship in contrast to, rather than premised on, the conventional United States territory paradigm.”].

Even more so, Covenant §105 mandates that United States legislation specifically mention the Commonwealth when the legislation is not of general application to the States. The Supreme Court decisions of *Mitchell* and *Bowman* indicate that the Constitution restricts Congress from enacting legislation regulating State elections. Even more so, the congressional power to enforce §30121 at the State and local levels is an unsettled issue, at least within the Ninth Circuit. The issue of the United States enforcing §30121 in connection with State and local elections is currently pending before the Ninth Circuit in *Singh v. United States*, Ninth Circuit Appeal No. 17-50337. The precise issue *Singh* presents is “[d]oes congressional regulation of state and local elections under 2 U.S.C. 441e, now 52 U.S.C. 30121, violate the rights

² See footnote 1.

reserved to the states to define their own political communities?” *Singh*, 2018 WL 2219015 at *1 (9th Cir)(Appellant Opening Brief).

Since it appears that §30121 may not be of general application to the States, the plain language of Covenant §105 prohibits §30121 from being enforced in the Commonwealth unless the statute specifically mentions the Commonwealth. The federal legislative scheme enacting §30121 does not specifically mention the Commonwealth in its definition of the term “State” or otherwise.

Assuming the definition of “State” encompasses the Commonwealth or that §30121 comes within the purview of Covenant §502, the statute still remains inapplicable to the Commonwealth as it contrary to the Covenant’s guarantee of self-government over internal matters.

Covenant §105 recognizes the United States power to enact laws applicable to the Commonwealth provided that if such law is not generally applicable to the States, then the Commonwealth must be specifically named in the law. Nevertheless, any such law cannot circumvent the Covenant’s fundamental provisions such as the guarantee of the right of self-government. *See Richards*, 4 F.3d at 754 -755. Similarly, the plain language of Covenant §502(a) provides that a United States law within its scope applies in the Commonwealth “except as otherwise provided by the Covenant.” Covenant Section 502(a), therefore, like Covenant §105, is subject to the Covenant’s fundamental provisions such as the guarantee of self-government over internal matters. Thus, regardless of whether the FEC relies on Covenant §105 or Covenant §502(a)(2) as the basis for contending that §30121 applies to local Commonwealth elections, any such extension fails as §30121 contravenes the Covenant’s guarantee of the right to

self-government over internal matters.

Pursuant to Covenant §105, any United States legislation which interferes with the Commonwealth's right to self-government guaranteed by the Covenant can only be implemented with the Commonwealth's consent. *See Magana*, 107 F.3d at 1439["To further the goals of self-governance, the Covenant provides that Articles I, II, and III and Sections 501 and 805 of the Covenant cannot be modified without mutual consultation and agreement between the CNMI and the United States government."] Accordingly, the Executive Branch adhering to the spirit and plain language of Covenant §105, which it negotiated, means that resolving §30121's applicability in the Commonwealth should first be achieved pursuant to mutual consent.

It should be noted, however, that the Judicial Branch has rejected Covenant §105's requirement for mutual consent and instead has imposed a balancing test to determine the applicability of a United States statute in the Commonwealth. *Richards*, 4 F.3d at 755. If the Executive Branch opts to disregard Covenant §105's plain language and adopt the Judicial Branch's approach, then §30121 is inapplicable in the Commonwealth as it fails the balancing test.

The *Richards* balancing test is a two prong analysis derived from Covenant §105. 4 F.3d at 755. In developing this test, *Richards* interpreted the first sentence of Covenant §105 as requiring that the statute serve an "identifiable federal interest." *CNMI*, 670 F.Supp.2d at 71 citing *Richards*, 4 F.2d at 754. It interpreted Covenant §105's second sentence as necessitating a Court to balance the United States "interest to be served by the statute against the degree of intrusion into the Commonwealth's internal affairs." *CNMI*, 670 F.Supp.2d at 86 citing *Richards*, 4 F.2d at 755.

In response to a First Amendment challenge, § 30121 is said to reflect the United States compelling interest in limiting the role of foreign citizens in the United States democratic electoral process. *Bluman v. FEC*, 800 F.Supp.2d 281 (D.D.C. 2011) aff'd 565 U.S. 1104, 132 S.Ct. 1087 (2012)[Denying foreign individuals First Amendment challenge to §30121]. This compelling interest for United States legislation restricting election contributions pursuant to a First Amendment challenge does not resonate with Commonwealth elections.

Over 100 years ago, the Supreme Court issued a series of opinions later known as the *Insular Cases* which addressed extending the Constitution to the foreign territorial acquisitions gained as a result of the 1898 Spanish American War. *Boumediene v. Bush*, 553 U.S. 723, 756, 128 S. Ct. 2229, 2253 - 2254, 171 L. Ed. 2d 41 (2008). The *Insular Cases* remain enforceable law, *See Boumediene, supra*, and are deemed applicable to the Commonwealth. *Atalig*, 723 F.2d at 688-690. The Anglo-American regime of democracy does not apply in areas subject to the *Insular Cases*. *Id* at 690. *See Dorr v. United States*, 195 U.S. 138, 148-149, — S.Ct. -- (1904) Instead, allowance is made for the “legal and cultural idiosyncrasies” of each non-state jurisdiction subject to the *Insular Cases*. *Atalig*, 723 F.2d at 690. Moreover, the *Insular Cases* hold that the fundamental right to participate in the United States democratic electoral process does not extend to United States citizens residing in the Commonwealth meaning that U.S. citizens in the Commonwealth lack the constitutional right to vote for the President or in any federal election. *See Segovia*, 880 F.3d at 390-391 *Igartua v. United States*, 626 F.3d 592, 597–98 (1st Cir. 2010); Based on the binding *Insular Cases* jurisprudence, the compelling interest relied on in *Bluman* does not translate to local Commonwealth elections. Indeed, it appears that federal interest in local Commonwealth elections is limited to 14th Amendment

violations, *Charfauros v. Board. of Elections*, 249 F.3d 941, 944 (9th Cir. 2001), and 15th Amendment violations, *Davis v. Commonwealth Election Commission*, 844 F.3d 1087 (9th Cir. 2016). The federal interest associated with §30121 does not implicate the 14th or 15th Amendment.

Nevertheless, if the *Insular Cases* are disregarded and the United States interest articulated in *Bluman* is deemed to extend to the Commonwealth, then the second prong of the *Richards* balancing test precludes §30121 enforcement in the Commonwealth since it reflects a substantial intrusion into the Commonwealth's guarantee of self-government in its internal electoral matters.

The degree of §30121's intrusion into the internal affairs of the CNMI is quite significant in as much as it seeks to override or supercede Commonwealth law which allows foreign nationals to contribute to candidates and campaigns associated with local Commonwealth elections. *See* NMIAC §§30-10-010(j)&(w)[defining the terms "contributor" and "supporter"]. It also conflicts with 48 USCA § 1755 which acknowledges the Commonwealth's power to establish procedures relating to elections except as provided otherwise by the CNRA.

Even more so, §30121's substantial intrusion into the Commonwealth's internal affairs is further seen from its negating certain Commonwealth citizens from participating in the local electoral process in contravention of the Commonwealth Constitution's guarantee of freedom of speech.

Corporations formed under Commonwealth law possess "the same powers as an individual to do all things necessary or convenient to carry out its business and affairs" 4 CMC §4312. Article I §2 of the Commonwealth Constitution guarantees the freedom of speech which

includes “various forms of symbolic speech” that encompasses political expressions. *Analysis of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands* at 4-5, December 6, 1976. This freedom of speech cannot be abridged except for purposes of public health and safety and to protect from false speech which is injurious to reputation. *Id.* at 5. *United Citizens v. FEC*, 558 U.S. 310, 175 L.Ed.2d 753 (2009) recognizes that U.S. corporations possess First Amendment political speech rights which cannot be unnecessarily restricted by election laws. The definition of “foreign national” as used in §30121 abridges the political speech of certain Commonwealth corporations based solely on the percentage of ownership or control held by U.S. citizens.³ Section 30121, therefore, contravenes the Commonwealth Constitution on a purely local Commonwealth matter which is inconsistent with Covenant’s guarantee of the Commonwealth’s right to self-government over local matters.

This free speech concern, however, is not limited to the Commonwealth Constitution but also exists under the First Amendment. *Bluman* upheld a First Amendment challenge to §30121 by foreign citizens residing in the United States. It did involve a First Amendment challenge by a United States corporation deemed to be a “foreign national” under the federal election laws. *See Bluman*, 800 F.2d at 286[Recognizing that *Citizens United* is not implicated in *Bluman* as the case concerns “the role of foreign citizens in the U.S. electoral process.”]. Thus, it appears that §30121’s infringement on the First Amendment’s right of political speech on certain U.S. corporations remains undecided. To this extent, since the Supreme Court has not narrowed the reach of *Citizens United*’s holding, restricting the political speech of a Commonwealth

³This citizenship criteria is simply immaterial in the Commonwealth since U.S. citizens residing in the Commonwealth lack a constitutional right to vote in any federal election

corporation because Congress has deemed the corporation to be a "foreign national" may be a violation of the First Amendment. *Bluman* cannot be read to validate such a limitation on corporate political speech.

Or as more aptly stated:

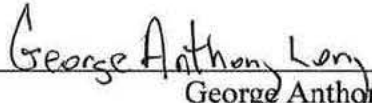
[I]f a precedent of [the Supreme Court] has direct application in a case, yet appears to rest on reasons rejected in some other line of decisions, the Court of Appeals [and the District Court] should follow the case which directly controls, leaving [the Supreme Court] the prerogative of overruling its own decisions.

Republican Party of New Mexico v. King, 850 F.Supp.2d 1206, 1214 (D. N.Mex. 2012) quoting *Agostini v. Felton*, 521 U.S. 203, 237, 117 S.Ct. 1997, 138 L.Ed.2d 391 (1997) (quoting *Rodriguez de Quijas v. Shearson/Am. Exp., Inc.*, 490 U.S. 477, 484, 109 S.Ct. 1917, 104 L.Ed.2d 526 (1989). See e.g. *United States v. Calla*, 545 F.3d 750,753 (9th Cir 2008)[A court cannot set aside or disregard Supreme Court precedent because it is the Supreme Court's "'prerogative alone to overrule one of its precedents.' *State Oil Co. v. Khan*, 522 U.S. 3, 20, 118 S.Ct. 275, 139 L.Ed.2d 199 (1997)."]. Accordingly, *Citizens United* negates *Bluman* being "stretched" to narrow corporate political speech or to uphold restrictions on such speech. See *King*, 850 F.Supp.2d at 1214.

CONCLUSION

The Commonwealth possesses the right to self-government over internal matters which is a fundamental and enforceable provision of the Covenant. Laws regulating local Commonwealth elections are an internal matter subject to the Commonwealth's guarantee of self-government. Section 30121 and the other United States election laws sought to be enforced in P-MUR 609 not

only conflict with the Covenant's guarantee of self-government, but also constitute a substantial intrusion into the Commonwealth's internal matters without any sufficient overriding federal interest. Accordingly, §30121 and the other United States election being enforced by P-MUR 609 are inapplicable to local Commonwealth elections.



George Anthony Long
Counsel for Respondent

Declaration of Diann Tudela Torres
FEC Case No. P-MUR 609

I, Diann Tudela Torres, hereby state as follows:

1. I am married to Ralph Torres, who is currently the Governor of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands. We were married on August 20, 2005 and have six wonderful children [REDACTED]

2. I am an educator who has been a life long resident of the Commonwealth. I was born on Saipan and attended public school on Saipan. I attended Northern Marianas College where I graduated in May of 1998 with an associate degree in Liberal Arts Emphasis in Elementary Education, and a bachelor's degree in elementary education through University of Guam in May of 2001. I then pursued postgraduate study at Boise State University in Boise, Idaho and in 2005 graduated with a Master of Science in education with a concentration in Education Technology after teaching for 2 years at Dandan Elementary School.

3. After completing my college and graduate studies post I returned to the Commonwealth and commenced working as an educator in the Commonwealth's Public System where I taught Computer Applications I, Computer Applications II and Cooperative Education courses.

4. As an educator, I adopt and adhere to the belief of Margaret Meade that "Children must

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be taught how to think, not what to think.” My passion for educating young minds also extends to preserving and creating awareness of the indigenous cultural heritage of the Mariana Islands. In 2007 I authored a book entitled “A, Ä, B, CH, yan Mas.” The book was funded through an ANA grant available at the Joeten-Kiyu Public Library located on Saipan. The book was distributed to the libraries in the Commonwealth Public School System on the islands of Saipan, Tinian and Rota.

5. Although I am married to a politician, I do not possess a personal interest in politics and I do not engage in many political activities outside of accompanying Ralph to various events and functions, participating in “photo ops” and peripheral participation in fundraising events.

6. My husband’s political career began in 2008 when he was elected to the Commonwealth’s House of Representatives. In 2010, he was elected to the Commonwealth Senate and became Senate President in 2013.

7. In 2014, my husband was a candidate for Lt. Governor with Eloy Inos being the candidate for Governor. The Inos/Torres ticket won the election and my husband became Lt. Governor. In 2015, at the age of 36, my husband became the youngest Governor in the Commonwealth’s history due to the unfortunate passing of Governor Eloy Inos.

8. I did not personally solicit or otherwise seek contributions associated with my husband’s campaign and candidacy for the Lt. Governor position in connection with the 2014 election.

9. My husband was not a candidate for any office during the 2016 election and I did not personally solicit or otherwise seek contributions for any political campaign or any candidate for public office in connection with the 2016 election.

10. My husband is a candidate for Governor during the 2018 election.

11. In 2017, an organization named Friends of Ralph ("FOR") hosted two events for my husband, a birthday bash and masquerade ball. Although I assisted in the preparation of the two events, the only involvement I had with the financial aspect of the events was providing wine, vodka, a birthday cake and cupcakes for the August 4, 2017 Birthday Fundraiser, selling a corporate table to table to a company named Coldwell Solar for the Masquerade Ball and selling tickets to both events to family members who made payments directly to event/organization's treasurer. To my knowledge and belief, Coldwell Solar is a U.S. citizen corporation as are the family member to whom I sold tickets.

12. When my husband became Lt. Governor in 2014, I decided to utilize my position as Second Lady to advance awareness of the Commonwealth's indigenous culture, with an emphasis on the Charmorro and Carolinian languages. I also desired to raise the consciousness about and assist those members of the Commonwealth community who must confront life with a physical and/or mental disability.

13. To accomplish these objectives I founded and established Lady Diann Torres Foundation

("LDTF") which obtained its charter on August 28, 2015. LDTF's bylaws expressly recognize the organizations's purpose as being the advancement of Commonwealth residents by (a) advancing and assisting programs for individuals with disabilities in the Commonwealth, (b) providing basic resources for the underprivileged, and (c) promoting language and literacy. A copy of the Petition for LDTF's formation and LDTF's bylaws are attached hereto as Attachments 1 and 2, respectively.

14. I am the President of LDTF with Geralynn DelaCruz being the Vice-President, Katherine Palacios serving as Treasurer and Lina Mae DelaCruz being Secretary.

15. Geralyn DelaCruz, commonly known as "Geri" is a close personal friend and a god mother to my 6th child, [REDACTED]. She is also intelligent, a diligent worker and a valuable asset for LDTF.

16. LDTF is a non-profit organization founded under Commonwealth law. LDTF does not engage in political activities, does not solicit or raise funds for any political campaign or candidate for political office, and does not contribute to any political campaign or candidate for political office. LDTF's abstaining from involvement in political activity extends to and includes the 2018 election.

17. Attached hereto as Attachment 3 is a copy of LDTF ledger showing the sources of its income and its expenditures for the period September 01, 2015 to July 31, 2018.

17. LDTF was not in existence during the 2014 election.
18. LDTF did not solicit any contribution for or make any contribution to any political campaign or any candidate for public office in connection with the 2016 election.
19. LDTF has not solicited any contribution for and has not made any contribution to any political campaign or any candidate for public office in connection with the current 2018 election.
20. LDTF does, however, solicit contributions and donations from all members of the Commonwealth community to assist with its mission of stressing literacy and proficiency in the indigenous languages and assist those with disabilities.
22. Attached hereto as Attachment 4 are true, genuine and accurate copies of articles from the Saipan Tribune, a Commonwealth newspaper, concerning various projects and activities of LDTF. The articles are not arranged in any particular order.
23. Based on LDTF's projects and activities, the Commonwealth legislature appropriated an allocation of \$100,000 to LDTF in the Fiscal Year 2018 budget.
24. The Governor disapproved of this budget allocation on transparency grounds. LDTF has not received the allocation.

25. Attached hereto as Attachment 5 is a true, genuine and accurate copy of the portion of the FY 2018 budget reflecting the appropriation for LDTF and the Governor's September 27, 2017 letter, which among other things, objected to the LDTF allocation. The disapproval is located on page 4 of the letter.

I declare under penalty of perjury pursuant to the laws of the United States of America that the above is true, and correct and execute this declaration on this 6st day of August, 2018.

Diann T. Torres

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Commonwealth of the
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In the Matter of the Incorporation)
Of)
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Lady Diann Torres Foundation)

**PETITION FOR A CHARTER FOR ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
FOR A NON-PROFIT, TAX-EMEMPT CORPORATION
TO BE KNOWN AS:**

Lady Diann Torres Foundation

The undersigned, a majority of whom are residents of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, hereby petition, under the provisions of 4 CMC § 4101 et seq. and in particular in § 4103(c), for a charter of incorporation, for themselves and their members as a non-profit corporation under the name of Lady Diann Torres Foundation and in connection herewith do hereby incorporate herein by reference thereto the accompanying proposed charter of incorporation wherein are set forth various matters required under § 4101 et seq. and § 4103(c) under the laws of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (Commonwealth Register Vol. 12 No. 5 May 15, 1990, p. 6997; Trust Territory Register Vol. 1 No. 1, July 15, 1974, page 7 and 26-27).

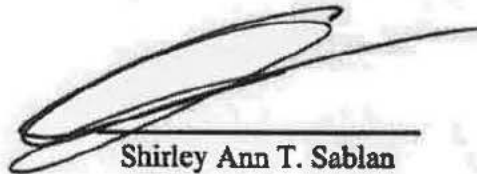
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Diann T. Torres



Geralyn C. Dela Cruz



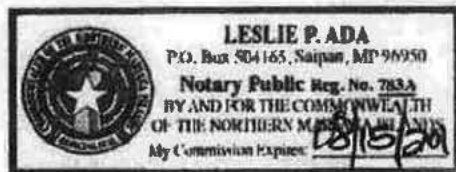
Shirley Ann T. Sablan

COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN)
MARIANA ISLANDS)

ss:

On this 20th day of August, 2015, Diann T. Torres, Shirley T. Sablan, and Geralyn C. Dela Cruz being first duly sworn on oath, depose and say that they are the petitioners above-named, that they have read the foregoing petition and attached proposed charter of incorporation and know the contents thereof; and that the matters and statements therein set forth are true to the best of their knowledge and belief.

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NON-PROFIT CHARTER OF INCORPORATION
OF

Lady Diann Torres Foundation

A COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS CORPORATION

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENT SHALL COME:

WHEREAS, Diann T. Torres, Shirley T. Sablan, and Geralyn C. Dela Cruz all of whom are residents of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, have filed with the Registrar of Corporations, a verified petition to grant to them and their members a charter of incorporation as a non-profit corporation, in accordance with the provisions of 4 CMC § 4101 et seq. and § 4103(c) of the corporate laws.

NOW, THEREFOR, I, in the exercise and execution of every power and authority in anywise enabling me in this behalf, do hereby constitute the said petitioners and their members as corporation under the laws of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands for the purposed and in the form hereinafter set forth.

I.

The name of the corporation shall be:

LADY DIANN TORRES FOUNDATION

II.

The location of the principle office of the corporation shall be at the village of Garapan, Saipan (as indicated by the map attached hereto) on the island of Saipan in the CNMI; and the specific mailing address of the non-profit corporation shall: P.O. Box 501856 Saipan, MP 96950.

III.

This corporation is organized exclusively for charitable, religious, educational and scientific purposes, including for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations under § 501(c)(3) of the Northern Marianas Territorial Income Tax Code (or the corresponding section of any future amendment section of the Code). The specific purpose(s) of this non-profit corporation is to improve the lives of the people of the Commonwealth particularly individuals with disabilities, among other initiatives approved by the Board of Directors.

IV.

Unless this language is specifically deleted and another term for the duration of this non-profit corporation is herein set forth, the duration of this corporation shall be "perpetual".

V.

The officers shall consist of:

President

Vice President

Secretary

Treasurer

VI.

The name, citizenship, residence location (as indicated by the map attached hereto) and mailing address of the initial officers are as follows:

<u>Office Held</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Residence Location</u>	<u>Address</u>
<u>President</u>	<u>Diann Torres</u>	<u>Koblerville, Saipan</u>	<u>P.O. Box 500021</u>
<u>Vice President</u>	<u>Geralyn C. Dela Cruz</u>	<u>Beach Rd., Saipan</u>	<u>P.O. Box 502033</u>
<u>Secretary</u>	<u>Lina Dela Cruz</u>	<u>Susupe, Saipan</u>	<u>P.O. Box 7729 SVRB</u>
<u>Treasurer</u>	<u>Katherine Palacios</u>	<u>DanDan, Saipan</u>	<u>P.O. Box 7200 SVRB</u>

VII.

The name, citizenship, residence location (as indicated by the map attached hereto) and mailing address of the initial Board of Directors, consisting of not less than three (3) are as follows:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Residence Location</u>	<u>Address</u>
<u>Diann T. Torres</u>	<u>Koblerville, Saipan</u>	<u>P.O. Box 500021</u>
<u>Shirley Ann T. Sablan</u>	<u>DanDan, Saipan</u>	<u>P.O. Box 503205</u>
<u>Geralyn C Dela Cruz</u>	<u>Beach Road, Saipan</u>	<u>P.O. Box 502033</u>

VIII.

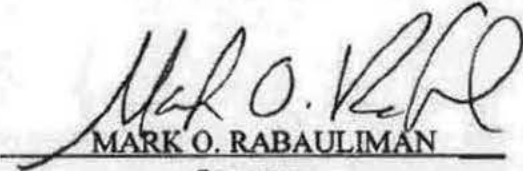
No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to its members, trustees, directors, officers, or other private person, except that the corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of § 501(c)(3) purposes. No substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall be the carry on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the corporation shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statement any political campaign on behalf of, or in opposition to, any candidate for public office).

Notwithstanding any other provision of the these articles, the corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by a corporation exempt from income tax under § 501(c)(3) of the Northern Marianas Territorial Income Tax Code (or any corresponding section of any future tax code) or (b) by a corporation, contributions to which deductible under § 170(c)(2) of the Northern Marianas Territorial Income Tax Code (or any corresponding section of any future tax code).

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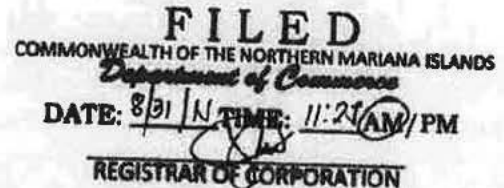
The corporation is not organized for profit and it will not issue any stock. Upon the dissolution of this corporation assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of § 501(c)(3) of the Northern Marianas Territorial Income Tax Code (or any corresponding section of any future tax code), or shall be distributed to the CNMI Government, for a public purpose.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 24th day of August, 2015.


MARK O. RABAULIMAN
Secretary
Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands

ATTACHMENT 2

AMENDED BYLAWS



BYLAWS

OF

Lady Diann Torres Foundation

A COMMONWEALTH NON-PROFIT CORPORATION

BYLAWS OF Lady Diann Torres Foundation

Article I. Offices

The principal office of the corporation in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands shall be located at Ben & Bibang Building, Garapan, Saipan. The corporation may have such other offices, either within or without the Commonwealth, as the board of directors may designate from time to time.

Article II. Non-Profit Status

The Lady Diann Torres Foundation will have non-profit status.

The Board shall conduct all corporate acts in accordance with CNMI and federal law, which may be necessary to obtain tax-exempt status under applicable state and federal law. The bylaws shall be maintained at the Corporation's principle office in Ben & Bibang Building, Garapan, Saipan.

The Corporation shall fully comply with all applicable anti-discrimination laws, rules, and regulations. In particular, it shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, sex, national or ethnic origin, and ancestry in its admission policies.

In the event of the dissolution of the Corporation, distribution of assets shall be made to other charitable organizations as agreed upon by the last sitting Board. In no event shall assets be directly or indirectly distributed to, or inure to the benefit of any member, former member, director, former director, officer, or former officer of the Corporation.

Article III. Purpose

The purpose of Lady Diann Torres Foundation is to advance the well-being of CNMI residents .

The objectives of Lady Diann Torres Foundation will include the following:

1. To provide access to advancement and assistance program to individuals with disabilities in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.
2. To provide basic resources to individuals to maintain a comfortable quality of life.
3. To promote language and literacy program.

Article IV. Membership

1. **Membership.** Membership in Lady Diann Torres Foundation shall be open to all interested individuals. Final approval of membership depends on approval of a majority of the Board of Directors.

2. **Voting.** Voting membership for Lady Diann Torres Foundation shall be granted to all active Lady Diann Torres Foundation members.

Article V. Board of Directors

1. **General Powers.** The board of directors shall manage the affairs of the corporation.

2. **Number, Tenure and Qualifications.** The number of directors of the corporation shall be 3 or as determined by resolution of the board of directors from time to time. The directors shall have a term of one calendar year. There are no term limits.
3. **Regular Meetings.** Regular meetings of the board of directors shall be held with reasonable notice to the directors no fewer than four times a year.
4. **Special Meetings.** Special meetings of the board of directors may be called by or at the request of the president or a majority of the directors. The person or persons authorized to call special meetings of the board of directors may fix any place.
5. **Notice.** Notice of any meeting shall be given at least four days previously thereto by email to the email address on file. Any director may waive notice of any meeting. The attendance of a director at a meeting shall constitute a waiver of notice of such meeting, except where a director attends a meeting for the express purpose of objecting to the transaction of any business because the meeting is not lawfully called or convened. Neither the business to be transacted at, nor the purpose of, any regular or special meeting of the board of directors need be specified in the notice or waiver of notice of such meeting.
6. **Quorum.** A majority of the number of directors fixed by Section 2 of this Article shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any meeting of the board of directors, but if less than such majority is present at a meeting, a majority of the directors present may adjourn the meeting from time to time without further notice.
7. **Manner of Acting.** The act of the majority of the directors present at a meeting at which a quorum is present shall be the act of the board of directors.
8. **Action Without a Meeting.** Any action required or permitted to be taken by the board of directors at a meeting may be taken without a meeting if consent in writing, setting forth the action so taken, shall be signed by all of the directors.
9. **Vacancies.** Any vacancy occurring in the board of directors may be filled by the affirmative vote of a majority of the remaining directors. A director elected to fill a vacancy shall be elected for the unexpired term of his or her predecessor in office. Any directorship to be filled by election by the board of directors shall continue for a term of office only until the next election of directors.
10. **Deadlock.** In the event that an equal number of votes are cast for adoption or rejection of any proposal before the board of directors, a director who is also the President of the corporation, or such other person as may be named by the board from time to time, may cast a vote in the decision to break the tie.
11. **Elections, Designation and Term of Office of Directors.** All directors shall be in good standing with the organization in order to serve as a director. New board members will begin their tenure on January 1st of each year. All directors commit to serve on the Board for ONE (1) year, or if a director takes office other than on January 1st, the remainder of that calendar year. Directors may renew their term on the board in one-year increments with no term limits.

12. Vacancies. A vacancy on the board shall exist on the occurrence of the following: (a) the death or resignation of any director; (b) the declaration by resolution of the board of a vacancy in the office of a director who has been declared of unsound mind by a final court of order, convicted of a felony, or found by final order or judgment of any court to have breached a duty under the CNMI law, or dealing with standards of conduct for a director; (c) the excused absence of any director from more than 20% of all meetings in any one calendar year.

13. Resignations and Removal. Except as provided in this paragraph, any director may resign effective upon giving written notice to the Co-Chairs or Chair, the Secretary, or the board of directors as a whole unless the notice specifies a later time for the effectiveness of the resignation. If the resignation is effective at a future time, a successor may be designated to take the office when the resignation becomes effective.

14. Except for a vacancy created by the removal of a director by the board of directors, vacancies on the board may be filled by a vote of a majority of the sitting directors, whether or not the number of directors then in office is less than a quorum, or by the vote of a sole remaining director. Prior to the removal of any director the director to be removed shall have been notified in writing in the manner set forth in the written forms of agreement for membership to the board of directors that such action would be considered at the meeting at which removal is voted.

Article VI. Officers

1. Number. The officers of the corporation shall be a President, a Vice President, a Secretary, and a Treasurer, each of whom shall be elected by the board of directors. Such other officers and assistant officers as may be deemed necessary may be elected or appointed by the board of directors. The directors shall serve as President, Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary. Any two or more offices may be held by the same person, except the offices of Executive Director and secretary.

2. Election and Term of Office. The officers of the corporation to be elected by the board of directors shall be elected annually by the board of directors. If the election of officers shall not be held at such meeting, such election shall be held as soon thereafter as conveniently may be. Each officer shall hold office until his or her successor shall have been duly elected and shall have qualified or until his or her death or until he or she shall resign or shall have been removed in the manner hereinafter provided.

3. Removal. Any officer or agent may be removed by action of the board of directors whenever in its judgment the best interests of the corporation will be served thereby, but such removal shall be without prejudice to the contract rights, if any, of the person so removed. Election or appointment of an officer or agent shall not of itself create contract rights.

4. Vacancies. A vacancy in any office because of death, resignation, removal, disqualification or otherwise, may be filled by the board of directors for the unexpired portion of the term.

5. **President.** The President shall be the principal executive officer of the corporation and, subject to the control of the board of directors, shall in general supervise and control all of the business and affairs of the corporation. He or she shall, when present, preside at all meetings of the board of directors. He or she may sign, with the secretary or any other proper officer of the corporation and bind the corporation in any matter that the Board has authorized by proper vote.

6. **The Vice President.** In the absence of the President or in the event of his or her death, disability or refusal to act, the Vice President shall perform the duties of the President, and when so acting, shall have all the powers of and be subject to all the restrictions upon the President. Any Vice President shall perform such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to her by the President or by the board of directors.

7. **The Secretary.** The secretary shall: (a) keep the minutes of the proceedings of the board of directors in one or more books provided for that purpose; (b) see that all notices are duly given in accordance with the provisions of these ByLaws or as required by law; (c) be custodian of the corporate records and of the seal of the corporation, if any; (d) in general perform all duties incident to the office of secretary and such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to him by the President or by the board of directors.

8. **The Treasurer or Account Manager.** The treasurer shall: (a) receive and give receipts for monies due and payable to the corporation from any source whatsoever, and deposit all such monies in the name of the corporation in such banks, trust companies or other depositories as shall be selected in accordance with the provisions of Article VII of these ByLaws; and (b) in general perform all of the duties as from time to time may be assigned to him by the President or by the board of directors. If required by the board of directors, the treasurer shall give a bond for the faithful discharge of his or her duties in such sum and with such surety or sureties as the board of directors shall determine.

9. **Assistant Secretaries and Assistant Treasurers.** The assistant treasurers shall respectively, if required by the board of directors, give bonds for the faithful discharge of their duties in such sums and with such sureties as the board of directors shall determine. The assistant secretaries and assistant treasurers, in general, shall perform such duties as shall be assigned to them by the secretary or the treasurer, respectively, or by the President or the board of directors.

Article VII. Contracts, Loans, Checks and Deposits

1. **Contracts.** The board of directors may authorize any officer or officers, agent or agents, to enter into any contract or execute and deliver any instrument in the name of and on behalf of the corporation, and such authority may be general or confined to specific instances. The board of directors may pass resolutions from time to time which limit the authority of persons to act on behalf of the corporation.

2. **Loans.** No loans shall be contracted on behalf of the corporation and no evidences of indebtedness shall be issued in its name unless authorized by a resolution of the board of directors. Such authority may be general or confined to specific instance.

3. Checks, Drafts, etc. All checks, drafts or other orders for the payment of money, notes or other evidences of indebtedness issued in the name of the corporation shall be signed by such officer or officers, agent or agents of the corporation and in such manner as shall from time to time be determined by resolution of the board of directors.

4. Deposits. All funds of the corporation not otherwise employed shall be deposited from time to time to the credit of the corporation in such banks, trust companies or other depositories as the board of directors may select.

Article XIII—Committees

The board may by resolution designate one or more committees to serve at the pleasure of the board. Each committee, established by the board, shall consist of at least one chair and other members and non-members as needed to carry on the work of the committee. Each committee may adopt rules for its own governance not inconsistent with these bylaws or with rules adopted by the board of directors. The board of directors, by majority vote, is empowered to change the committee structure as it sees fit to the benefit of the organization.

Article X No Private Benefit

1. Limitations. The organization shall use its funds only to accomplish the objectives and purposes specified in these bylaws and no part of the net earnings, gains, or assets of Lady Diann Torres Foundation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable as any undue inurement to an individual to its directors, officers, or other private individuals or organizations organized and operated for profit. The organization is authorized and empowered to pay reasonable fees for products and services consistent with the limitations set forth in these bylaws and by statute or regulation.

2. No Self-Dealing. It shall be the policy of this corporation not to engage in any act which would constitute self-dealing as defined by 4941(d) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Article XI Records & Reports

The board of directors of Lady Diann Torres Foundation shall cause to be kept records of all proceedings of the board of directors and all financial statements of the organization. Copies of all federal and state reports shall be filed as required by law. The organization shall keep at its principle office the original or copy of the original Articles of Incorporation and bylaws as amended to date. These documents shall be open to inspection by the member chapters and directors at all reasonable times.

Article XII. Fiscal Year

The fiscal year of the corporation shall begin on the first day of January and end on the thirty-first day of December in each year.

Article XIII. Waiver of Notice

Whenever any notice is required to be given to any director of the corporation under the provisions of these Bylaws, a waiver thereof in writing signed by the person or persons entitled to such notice, whether before or after the time stated therein, shall be deemed equivalent to the giving of such notice.

Article VX. Amendments

These Bylaws may be altered, amended or repealed and the board of directors at any regular or special meeting may adopt new By-Laws.



Diann Torres

President



Lina Dela Cruz

Secretary

ATTACHMENT 3

Assets:Current Assets:Checking Account - Transaction Report

Date	Num	Description	Memo Transfer	Deposit	Withdrawal	Balance
09/01/2015		Opening of Bank Account	Equity:Opening Balances	<u>\$20.00</u>		<u>\$20.00</u>
09/02/2015		Marianas Resort Club - Road to Recovery	Income:Other Income	<u>\$5,000.00</u>		<u>\$5,020.00</u>
09/02/2015		Eric & Jovie Reyes	Income:Other Income	<u>\$1,000.00</u>		<u>\$6,020.00</u>
09/02/2015		Wesley Bodgan	Income:Other Income	<u>\$100.00</u>		<u>\$6,120.00</u>
09/03/2015		Rose & Joel Smith	Income:Other Income	<u>\$100.00</u>		<u>\$6,220.00</u>
09/09/2015		Marianas Consulting Agency - Alfred Yu	Income:Other Income	<u>\$5,000.00</u>		<u>\$11,220.00</u>
09/09/2015		Federation of Pangasinanses of Guam	Income:Other Income	<u>\$2,000.00</u>		<u>\$13,220.00</u>
09/09/2015		Skywalker	Income:Other Income	<u>\$8,888.00</u>		<u>\$22,108.00</u>
09/11/2015		Roman and Ana Tudela	Income:Other Income	<u>\$1,000.00</u>		<u>\$23,108.00</u>
09/16/2015		Checkbook - Order	Expenses:Office Expense		<u>\$24.75</u>	<u>\$23,083.25</u>
09/18/2015		Juan S. Tenorio (Juan Santiago)	Income:Other Income	<u>\$2,500.00</u>		<u>\$25,583.25</u>
09/18/2015		Saipan Employment Agency & Services, Inc.	Income:Other Income	<u>\$300.00</u>		<u>\$25,883.25</u>
09/21/2015		Imperial Pacific Inc. - Best Sunshine	Income:Other Income	<u>\$20,000.00</u>		<u>\$45,883.25</u>
09/24/2015	0101	Diann Torres - Reimbursement - 9/17/15	Expenses:Charity		<u>\$1,457.00</u>	<u>\$44,426.25</u>
09/24/2015	0101	Diann Torres - Reimbursement - 9/17/15	Expenses:Miscellaneous:Business Meeting		<u>\$44.00</u>	<u>\$44,382.25</u>
09/24/2015	0101	Diann Torres - Reimbursement - 9/17/15	Expenses:Representation		<u>\$700.00</u>	<u>\$43,682.25</u>
09/30/2015		Service Charge - Monthly	Expenses:Bank Service Charge		<u>\$3.00</u>	<u>\$43,679.25</u>
10/06/2015	102	Coral Ocean Point Resort	Expenses:Miscellaneous:Business Meeting		<u>\$74.50</u>	<u>\$43,604.75</u>
10/19/2015		Norman T. Tenorio	Income:Other Income	<u>\$500.00</u>		<u>\$44,104.75</u>
10/19/2015		AFH, Inc. dba Natural Nail	Income:Other Income	<u>\$100.00</u>		<u>\$44,204.75</u>

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10/19/2015	Pacific Islands Club	Income:Other Income	<u>\$2,000.00</u>	<u>\$46,204.75</u>
10/19/2015	Marianas Medical Center	Income:Other Income	<u>\$3,000.00</u>	<u>\$49,204.75</u>
10/26/2015 133	IT&E	Expenses:Phone & Internet		<u>\$147.35</u> <u>\$49,057.40</u>
10/30/2015	Service Charge - Monthly	Expenses:Bank Service Charge		<u>\$3.00</u> <u>\$49,054.40</u>
11/09/2015	Saipan Sea Ventures	Income:Other Income	<u>\$100.00</u>	<u>\$49,154.40</u>
11/09/2015	Java Joe's	Income:Other Income	<u>\$500.00</u>	<u>\$49,654.40</u>
11/13/2015 102	Make A Wish Foundation	Expenses:Charity		<u>\$500.00</u> <u>\$49,154.40</u>
11/23/2015 103	Herman's Bakery - Salvation Army Food Drive Donation	Expenses:Charity		<u>\$326.25</u> <u>\$48,828.15</u>
11/30/2015	Service Charge - Monthly	Expenses:Bank Service Charge		<u>\$3.00</u> <u>\$48,825.15</u>
11/30/2015	CASH??	Income:Other Income	<u>\$5,000.00</u>	<u>\$53,825.15</u>
12/15/2015	DFS Saipan Limited	Income:Other Income	<u>\$3,500.00</u>	<u>\$57,325.15</u>
12/15/2015 104	Saipan Tribune - Thanksgiving Ad	Expenses:Advertisement		<u>\$350.00</u> <u>\$56,975.15</u>
12/21/2015 105	Hawaii Medical Referral Fruit Baskets - Christmas	Expenses:Gifts		<u>\$523.50</u> <u>\$56,451.65</u>
12/21/2015 106	Fiesta Resort & Spa - Christmas Gathering	Expenses:Catering - Special Events		<u>\$729.00</u> <u>\$55,722.65</u>
12/30/2015	Service Charge - Monthly	Expenses:Bank Service Charge		<u>\$3.00</u> <u>\$55,719.65</u>
01/25/2016	IT&E	Income:Other Income	<u>\$1,000.00</u>	<u>\$56,719.65</u>
01/30/2016	Service Charge - Monthly	Expenses:Bank Service Charge		<u>\$3.00</u> <u>\$56,716.65</u>
02/29/2016	Service Charge - Monthly	Expenses:Bank Service Charge		<u>\$3.00</u> <u>\$56,713.65</u>
03/08/2016 0103	Marianas March Against Cancer - Registration Fee	Expenses:Fundraising Events		<u>\$200.00</u> <u>\$56,513.65</u>
03/16/2016 108	Lina Mae Dela Cruz - Board Secretar Fee for Sept 2015	Expenses:Service Fee		<u>\$200.00</u> <u>\$56,313.65</u>
03/16/2016 109	Diann Torres - Houston Relief Items	Expenses:Charity		<u>\$540.00</u> <u>\$55,773.65</u>
	Saipan Apparel - T-Shirts -			

03/21/2016	110	Marianas March Against Cancer	Expenses:Fundraising Events	<u>\$446.00</u>	<u>\$55,327.65</u>
03/22/2016	111	Ideal Signs - Banner - Marianas March Against Cancer	Expenses:Fundraising Events	<u>\$216.00</u>	<u>\$55,111.65</u>
03/24/2016	0104	Yaong Corp - 10 cases oranges - Good Friday	Expenses:Charity	<u>\$340.00</u>	<u>\$54,771.65</u>
03/30/2016		Service Charge - Monthly	Expenses:Bank Service Charge	<u>\$3.00</u>	<u>\$54,768.65</u>
03/31/2016	112	Karidat / CARE	Expenses:Road to Recovery	<u>\$11,500.00</u>	<u>\$43,268.65</u>
04/05/2016	113	Board Meeting - Sweet Escapes	Expenses:Miscellaneous:Business Meeting	<u>\$30.00</u>	<u>\$43,238.65</u>
04/13/2016	114	CNMI Treasury - BGR - Sept2015- Feb2016	ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	<u>\$1,470.07</u>	<u>\$41,768.58</u>
04/30/2016		Service Charge - Monthly	Expenses:Bank Service Charge	<u>\$3.00</u>	<u>\$41,765.58</u>
05/01/2016		Petty Cash Fund - MMAC Fundraiser	Assets:Petty Cash Fund	<u>\$100.00</u>	<u>\$41,665.58</u>
05/06/2016		NETTour (John Ko)	Income:Other Income	<u>\$2,000.00</u>	<u>\$43,665.58</u>
05/13/2016	115	MMAC - Donation	Expenses:Fundraising Events	<u>\$3,035.00</u>	<u>\$40,630.58</u>
05/30/2016		Service Charge - Monthly	Expenses:Bank Service Charge	<u>\$3.00</u>	<u>\$40,627.58</u>
06/30/2016		Service Charge - Monthly	Expenses:Bank Service Charge	<u>\$3.00</u>	<u>\$40,624.58</u>
06/30/2016		CASH??	Income:Other Income	<u>\$30.00</u>	<u>\$40,654.58</u>
07/07/2016		Steven Brownstein - Concert Donation	Income:Other Income	<u>\$15,000.00</u>	<u>\$55,654.58</u>
07/16/2016		MMC / JCT Ent	Expenses:Prepaid Expense:Office Space Rental - Prepaid	<u>\$3,600.00</u>	<u>\$52,054.58</u>
07/26/2016	117	CUC - Power Connection for LDTF Office	Expenses:Utilities	<u>\$185.00</u>	<u>\$51,869.58</u>
07/30/2016		Service Charge - Monthly	Expenses:Bank Service Charge	<u>\$3.00</u>	<u>\$51,866.58</u>
08/26/2016	118	Michelle Corp - Carpet Installation - LDTF Office	Expenses:Office Expense:Maintenance	<u>\$1,496.00</u>	<u>\$50,370.58</u>
08/30/2016		Service Charge - Monthly	Expenses:Bank Service Charge	<u>\$3.00</u>	<u>\$50,367.58</u>
09/01/2016	119	Water Dispenser	Expenses:Office Expense	<u>\$439.90</u>	<u>\$49,927.68</u>
		CNMI Treasury			

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09/07/2016	120	- BGR - Sept2015- Oct2016 - with amendments	ACCOUNTS PAYABLE		<u>\$1,355.61</u>	<u>\$48,572.07</u>
09/16/2016	123	Frances / Misc	Expenses:Miscellaneous		<u>\$161.55</u>	<u>\$48,410.52</u>
09/17/2016	124	Ideal Signs - Grand Opening - LDTF Office	Expenses:Office Expense		<u>\$680.00</u>	<u>\$47,730.52</u>
09/21/2016	125	James Babauta - Thank You	Expenses:Miscellaneous		<u>\$100.00</u>	<u>\$47,630.52</u>
09/21/2016	126	Karidat	Expenses:Road to Recovery		<u>\$10,050.00</u>	<u>\$37,580.52</u>
09/22/2016		Kyung soo Lee - Anniversary Donation	Income:Other Income	<u>\$500.00</u>		<u>\$38,080.52</u>
09/22/2016	127	Roma's Rental	Expenses:Office Expense		<u>\$66.00</u>	<u>\$38,014.52</u>
09/22/2016	128	IT&E - Installation - Inv#3109580	Expenses:Phone & Internet		<u>\$269.46</u>	<u>\$37,745.06</u>
09/22/2016	129	Rosal / Zest Ent - Ceramic Mugs - LDTF Grand Opening	Expenses:Office Expense		<u>\$750.00</u>	<u>\$36,995.06</u>
09/23/2016	130	Sweet Escapes - Cookies - Grand Opening	Expenses:Office Expense		<u>\$300.00</u>	<u>\$36,695.06</u>
09/24/2016	131	Tropical Instant Press - Banner - Grand Opening	Expenses:Office Expense		<u>\$205.00</u>	<u>\$36,490.06</u>
09/30/2016		Service Charge - Monthly	Expenses:Bank Service Charge		<u>\$3.00</u>	<u>\$36,487.06</u>
09/30/2016		Germaine Torwal	Income:Other Income	<u>\$100.00</u>		<u>\$36,587.06</u>
10/10/2016	132	Joeten Superstore	Expenses:Miscellaneous		<u>\$1,394.99</u>	<u>\$35,192.07</u>
10/30/2016		Service Charge - Monthly	Expenses:Bank Service Charge		<u>\$3.00</u>	<u>\$35,189.07</u>
10/31/2016	134	Herman's Bakery	Expenses:Miscellaneous		<u>\$80.00</u>	<u>\$35,109.07</u>
11/03/2016	135	AAC Pacific LLC - I Love Saipan	Expenses:Miscellaneous		<u>\$750.98</u>	<u>\$34,358.09</u>
11/14/2016	136	Tropical Instant Press	Expenses:Miscellaneous		<u>\$97.00</u>	<u>\$34,261.09</u>
11/17/2016	137	Top Notch	Expenses:Miscellaneous		<u>\$65.00</u>	<u>\$34,196.09</u>
11/18/2016	138	CUC - 10/3- 11/1/16	ACCOUNTS PAYABLE		<u>\$83.28</u>	<u>\$34,112.81</u>
11/21/2016		Ace Hardware - Anniversary Donation	Income:Other Income	<u>\$500.00</u>		<u>\$34,612.81</u>
11/22/2016		CASH ???	Income:Other Income	<u>\$150.00</u>		<u>\$34,762.81</u>
11/22/2016		CASH ???	Income:Other Income	<u>\$600.00</u>		<u>\$35,362.81</u>
11/23/2016	139	Guangdong	Expenses:Miscellaneous		<u>\$29.00</u>	<u>\$35,333.81</u>
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11/23/2016	140	IT&E	Expenses:Phone & Internet	<u>\$146.10</u>	<u>\$35,187.71</u>
11/30/2016		Service Charge - Monthly	Expenses:Bank Service Charge	<u>\$3.00</u>	<u>\$35,184.71</u>
12/06/2016	141	Modern Stationery	Expenses:Fundraising Events	<u>\$97.55</u>	<u>\$35,087.16</u>
12/06/2016	142	Herman's Bakery	Expenses:Miscellaneous	<u>\$1,320.00</u>	<u>\$33,767.16</u>
12/09/2016		Imperial Pacific Inc. - Best Sunshine	Income:Other Income	<u>\$15,000.00</u>	<u>\$48,767.16</u>
12/09/2016		CASH ???	Income:Other Income	<u>\$15,000.00</u>	<u>\$63,767.16</u>
12/09/2016	143	Steven Brownstein - Concert	Expenses:Fundraising Events	<u>\$15,000.00</u>	<u>\$48,767.16</u>
12/09/2016	144	Roma's Rental	Expenses:Fundraising Events	<u>\$100.00</u>	<u>\$48,667.16</u>
12/12/2016	149	JG Sablan	Expenses:Fundraising Events	<u>\$156.00</u>	<u>\$48,511.16</u>
12/12/2016	150	JG Sablan - Water Bottle for Office	Expenses:Office Expense	<u>\$20.50</u>	<u>\$48,490.66</u>
12/13/2016		CASH ???	Income:Other Income	<u>\$50.00</u>	<u>\$48,540.66</u>
12/13/2016		CASH ???	Income:Other Income	<u>\$1,000.00</u>	<u>\$49,540.66</u>
12/15/2016	151	Marianas Pacific Distributors - Concert	Expenses:Fundraising Events	<u>\$2,569.62</u>	<u>\$46,971.04</u>
12/23/2016	145	Advance Carrier	Expenses:Office Expense:Maintenance	<u>\$185.00</u>	<u>\$46,786.04</u>
12/30/2016		Service Charge - Monthly	Expenses:Bank Service Charge	<u>\$3.00</u>	<u>\$46,783.04</u>
01/30/2017		Service Charge - Monthly	Expenses:Bank Service Charge	<u>\$3.00</u>	<u>\$46,780.04</u>
01/31/2017		CASH ???	Income:Other Income	<u>\$2,164.00</u>	<u>\$48,944.04</u>
02/05/2017	153	Joscelyn Sanchez - January Service	Expenses:Service Fee	<u>\$500.00</u>	<u>\$48,444.04</u>
02/06/2017	146	IT&E	Expenses:Phone & Internet	<u>\$133.03</u>	<u>\$48,311.01</u>
02/08/2017	147	Saipan Tribune - Christmas Village Ad	Expenses:Program /Sponsored Events	<u>\$145.00</u>	<u>\$48,166.01</u>
02/15/2017	152	Lego Robotics SDA	Expenses:Charity	<u>\$300.00</u>	<u>\$47,866.01</u>
02/28/2017		Service Charge - Monthly	Expenses:Bank Service Charge	<u>\$3.00</u>	<u>\$47,863.01</u>
03/01/2017	155	Doris Aldan-Atalig - Sponsorship	Expenses:Program /Sponsored Events	<u>\$1,000.00</u>	<u>\$46,863.01</u>
03/01/2017	156	Diann Torres - Office Furniture	Assets:Current Assets:Fixed Assets	<u>\$1,500.00</u>	<u>\$45,363.01</u>
03/10/2017	154	Joscelyn Sanchez - February Service	Expenses:Service Fee	<u>\$518.17</u>	<u>\$44,844.84</u>

03/13/2017	157	IT&E	Expenses:Phone & Internet	<u>\$111.54</u>	<u>\$44,733.30</u>
03/23/2017	159	CASH??	Expenses:Miscellaneous	<u>\$473.50</u>	<u>\$44,259.80</u>
03/23/2017	160	Geralyn Dela Cruz - Reimbursement	Expenses:Miscellaneous	<u>\$148.78</u>	<u>\$44,111.02</u>
03/27/2017	158	Glushko Academy	Expenses:Miscellaneous	<u>\$350.00</u>	<u>\$43,761.02</u>
03/30/2017		Service Charge - Monthly	Expenses:Bank Service Charge	<u>\$3.00</u>	<u>\$43,758.02</u>
04/04/2017	161	IT&E	Expenses:Phone & Internet	<u>\$111.54</u>	<u>\$43,646.48</u>
04/04/2017	162	Joscelyn Sanchez - March Service - 102 hrs	Expenses:Service Fee	<u>\$719.10</u>	<u>\$42,927.38</u>
04/11/2017	148	Bernard Lirop	Expenses:Miscellaneous	<u>\$300.00</u>	<u>\$42,627.38</u>
04/13/2017	163	CNMI Farmer's Market Co-Op	Expenses:Program /Sponsored Events	<u>\$279.56</u>	<u>\$42,347.82</u>
04/13/2017	164	National Office Supply - Easter	Expenses:Program /Sponsored Events	<u>\$162.53</u>	<u>\$42,185.29</u>
04/13/2017	165	Modern Stationery - Easter	Expenses:Program /Sponsored Events	<u>\$35.17</u>	<u>\$42,150.12</u>
04/13/2017	166	National Office Supply - Easter	Expenses:Program /Sponsored Events	<u>\$75.83</u>	<u>\$42,074.29</u>
04/13/2017	167	J.C. Tenorio Ent. - Easter	Expenses:Program /Sponsored Events	<u>\$340.81</u>	<u>\$41,733.48</u>
04/21/2017	168	Diann Torres - 2/26-3/11	Expenses:Salary Expense	<u>\$1,116.12</u>	<u>\$40,617.36</u>
04/21/2017	168	Diann Torres - 3/12-25/17	Expenses:Salary Expense	<u>\$1,313.02</u>	<u>\$39,304.34</u>
04/21/2017	168	Diann Torres - 3/26-4/8/17	Expenses:Salary Expense	<u>\$1,313.02</u>	<u>\$37,991.32</u>
04/21/2017	169	UR Tent	Expenses:Program /Sponsored Events	<u>\$140.00</u>	<u>\$37,851.32</u>
04/21/2017	170	Blue Continent Commun - Flame Tree	Expenses:Program /Sponsored Events	<u>\$1,000.00</u>	<u>\$36,851.32</u>
04/21/2017	171	Joscelyn Sanchez - Printing of Book - PI	Expenses:Program /Sponsored Events	<u>\$5,000.00</u>	<u>\$31,851.32</u>
04/28/2017	172	Joscelyn Sanchez - April Service - 95 hrs.	Expenses:Service Fee	<u>\$669.75</u>	<u>\$31,181.57</u>
04/30/2017		Service Charge - Monthly	Expenses:Bank Service Charge	<u>\$3.00</u>	<u>\$31,178.57</u>
04/30/2017		Fundraising Tickets	Income:Other Income	<u>\$610.00</u>	<u>\$31,788.57</u>
04/30/2017		CASH ???	Income:Other Income	<u>\$500.00</u>	<u>\$32,288.57</u>
04/30/2017	173	Marianas March Against Cancer	Expenses:Charity	<u>\$1,300.00</u>	<u>\$30,988.57</u>

		- Brunch for Cure			
05/01/2017		CASH ???	Income:Other Income	<u>\$2,270.00</u>	<u>\$33,258.57</u>
05/05/2017	174	Marianas March Against Cancer - Java (1000 shrts, Pena)	Expenses:Charity	<u>\$3,221.50</u>	<u>\$30,037.07</u>
05/05/2017	186	Diann Torres - 4/9-22/17	Expenses:Salary Expense	<u>\$1,313.02</u>	<u>\$28,724.05</u>
05/05/2017	186	Diann Torres - 4/23-5/6/17	Expenses:Salary Expense	<u>\$919.12</u>	<u>\$27,804.93</u>
05/08/2017		CASH ???	Income:Other Income	<u>\$3,675.00</u>	<u>\$31,479.93</u>
05/09/2017	175	Geralyn Dela Cruz - Travel Voucher	Expenses:Program /Sponsored Events	<u>\$200.00</u>	<u>\$31,279.93</u>
05/09/2017	178	Bonnie Royal - Reimbursement - MMAC	Expenses:Fundraising Events	<u>\$124.00</u>	<u>\$31,155.93</u>
05/09/2017	179	IT&E	Expenses:Phone & Internet	<u>\$114.16</u>	<u>\$31,041.77</u>
05/09/2017	180	Northern Marianas College - Charter Day Fee	Expenses:Fundraising Events	<u>\$150.00</u>	<u>\$30,891.77</u>
05/10/2017	181	UR Tent - MMAC	Expenses:Fundraising Events	<u>\$70.00</u>	<u>\$30,821.77</u>
05/10/2017	182	Katherine Palacios utilities July 2016-May 2017	ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	<u>\$482.12</u>	<u>\$30,339.65</u>
05/10/2017	182	Katherine Palacios - Tax Payable	ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	<u>\$761.85</u>	<u>\$29,577.80</u>
05/10/2017	182	Katherine Palacios - IT&E	Expenses:Phone & Internet	<u>\$80.74</u>	<u>\$29,497.06</u>
05/10/2017	182	Katherine Palacios - Christmas Village Trophy	Expenses:Program /Sponsored Events	<u>\$120.00</u>	<u>\$29,377.06</u>
05/10/2017	182	Katherine Palacios - Easter Hunt	Expenses:Program /Sponsored Events	<u>\$151.06</u>	<u>\$29,226.00</u>
05/10/2017	182	Katherine Palacios - MMAC Registration Fee	Expenses:Fundraising Events	<u>\$400.00</u>	<u>\$28,826.00</u>
05/10/2017	183	Joeten Superstore - Charter Day	Expenses:Fundraising Events	<u>\$133.60</u>	<u>\$28,692.40</u>
05/11/2017	184	Shiara Reyes - WIA Payroll - 40.5hrs	Expenses:Salary Expense	<u>\$202.50</u>	<u>\$28,489.90</u>
05/13/2017	185	Steller Marianas	Expenses:Program /Sponsored Events	<u>\$250.00</u>	<u>\$28,239.90</u>

05/15/2017	CASH ???	Income:Other Income	<u>\$2,328.00</u>	<u>\$30,567.90</u>
05/16/2017 187	Bernard Lirop - Emoji Book - Fina Payment	Expenses:Program /Sponsored Events	<u>\$200.00</u>	<u>\$30,367.90</u>
05/30/2017	Service Charge - Monthly	Expenses:Bank Service Charge	<u>\$3.00</u>	<u>\$30,364.90</u>
06/02/2017 188	Joscelyn Sanchez - May Service - 136.5 hrs.	Expenses:Service Fee	<u>\$962.32</u>	<u>\$29,402.58</u>
06/05/2017 189	Tropical Printer - Magic Ticket & Flyer	Expenses:Fundraising Events	<u>\$105.00</u>	<u>\$29,297.58</u>
06/06/2017 190	IT&E	Expenses:Phone & Internet	<u>\$111.58</u>	<u>\$29,186.00</u>
06/07/2017 191	Sand Castle - Magic Show 70% Deposit	Expenses:Fundraising Events	<u>\$4,550.00</u>	<u>\$24,636.00</u>
06/13/2017 192	Joeten Superstore - Chocolate - Magic Show	Expenses:Fundraising Events	<u>\$584.85</u>	<u>\$24,051.15</u>
06/20/2017	Coldwell Solar International	Income:Other Income	<u>\$5,000.00</u>	<u>\$29,051.15</u>
06/22/2017 193	Diann Torres - Payroll # 20 (5/20-6/3/17_	Expenses:Salary Expense	<u>\$2,494.75</u>	<u>\$26,556.40</u>
06/22/2017 194	Joscelyn Sanchez - June Service - 6/1- 22/17	Expenses:Service Fee	<u>\$697.95</u>	<u>\$25,858.45</u>
06/27/2017 195	Velprint Corp / Bank of Guam - Young Author's Book	Expenses:Program /Sponsored Events	<u>\$3,100.00</u>	<u>\$22,758.45</u>
06/30/2017	Service Charge - Monthly	Expenses:Bank Service Charge	<u>\$3.00</u>	<u>\$22,755.45</u>
07/03/2017 196	Sand Castle - Magic Show - Final Payment	Expenses:Fundraising Events	<u>\$196.00</u>	<u>\$22,559.45</u>

**Total
Debits**
\$128,085.00

**Total
Credits**
\$105,525.55

Checking Account - July 4, 2017-July 31, 2018

From 07/04/2017 To 07/31/2018

Date	Num	Description	Transfer from/to	Amount
<u>Assets:Current Assets:Checking Account</u>				
07/06/2017		Cash	Income:Other Income	<u>\$536.00</u>
07/07/2017	221	IT&E	Expenses:Phone & Internet	<u>\$(111.58)</u>
07/26/2017	198	CNMI Treasury - BGR - April & May 2017	Expenses:Taxes	<u>\$(198.79)</u>
07/30/2017		Service Charge - Monthly	Expenses:Bank Service Charge	<u>\$(3.00)</u>
08/11/2017	204	Diann Torres - Reimbursement - Office & meeting 8/2/17	Expenses:Miscellaneous:Business Meeting	<u>\$(346.32)</u>
08/11/2017	199	Joscelyn Sanchez - 7/14-31/17 (36.5 hrs.)	Expenses:Service Fee	<u>\$(257.32)</u>
08/11/2017	202	Shirley Sablan	Expenses:Program /Sponsored Events	<u>\$(41.85)</u>
08/11/2017	200	IT&E	Expenses:Phone & Internet	<u>\$(111.56)</u>
08/11/2017	201	Diann Torres - Payroll # 14-16/17	Expenses:Salary Expense	<u>\$(2,626.05)</u>
08/14/2017	205	MMC / JCT Ent (August 2017-July 2018	Expenses:Prepaid Expense:Office Space Rental - Prepaid	<u>\$(3,600.00)</u>
08/14/2017	206	Joscelyn Sanchez - 8/1-14/17 (39.5 hrs)	Expenses:Service Fee	<u>\$(278.47)</u>
08/29/2017	207	Joscelyn Sanchez - 8/15-29/17 (34 hrs)	Expenses:Service Fee	<u>\$(239.70)</u>
08/30/2017		Service Charge - Monthly	Expenses:Bank Service Charge	<u>\$(3.00)</u>
09/11/2017	208	Saipan Apparel - YAWC Shirts	Assets:Accounts Receivable	<u>\$(1,075.00)</u>
09/13/2017	211	Joscelyn Sanchez - 8/30-9/15/17 (54 hrs)	Expenses:Service Fee	<u>\$(380.70)</u>
09/22/2017	212	IT&E	Expenses:Phone & Internet	<u>\$(112.03)</u>
09/30/2017		Service Charge - Monthly	Expenses:Bank Service Charge	<u>\$(3.00)</u>
10/01/2017	227	Cash - 3rd Place - DBFT	Assets:Accounts Receivable	<u>\$(500.00)</u>
10/01/2017	230	Cash - 1st Place - DBFT	Assets:Accounts Receivable	<u>\$(500.00)</u>
10/01/2017	223	Cash - 1st Place - DBFT	Assets:Accounts Receivable	<u>\$(1,000.00)</u>
10/01/2017	228	Cash - 1st Place - DBFT	Assets:Accounts Receivable	<u>\$(500.00)</u>
10/01/2017	233	Cash - 1st Place - DBFT	Assets:Accounts Receivable	<u>\$(500.00)</u>
10/01/2017	229	Cash - 1st Place - DBFT	Assets:Accounts Receivable	<u>\$(500.00)</u>
10/01/2017	232	Cash - 1st Place - DBFT	Assets:Accounts Receivable	<u>\$(500.00)</u>
10/01/2017	225	Cash - 2nd Place - DBFT	Assets:Accounts Receivable	<u>\$(700.00)</u>
10/01/2017	231	Cash - 1st Place - DBFT	Assets:Accounts Receivable	<u>\$(500.00)</u>

10/01/2017	226	Cash - 3rd Place - DBFT	Assets:Accounts Receivable	<u>\$(500.00)</u>
10/01/2017	224	Cash - 2nd Place - DBFT	Assets:Accounts Receivable	<u>\$(700.00)</u>
10/01/2017	222	Cash - 1st Place - DBFT	Assets:Accounts Receivable	<u>\$(1,000.00)</u>
10/04/2017	235	Diann Torres - Payroll # 17-19/17 (152 hrs)	Expenses:Salary Expense	<u>\$(2,429.10)</u>
10/04/2017	234	Ambrose Benette - Movie Tickets - Yvonne Benette	Expenses:Program /Sponsored Events	<u>\$(300.00)</u>
10/04/2017	213	Joscelyn Sanchez - 9/16-10/4/17 (89 hrs.)	Expenses:Service Fee	<u>\$(627.45)</u>
10/12/2017	236	Olivia D. Aninon - 100 pcs Pillowcase w/logo@\$4ea	Expenses:Gifts	<u>\$(400.00)</u>
10/13/2017	214	IT&E	Expenses:Phone & Internet	<u>\$(112.68)</u>
10/13/2017		Cash	Split Transaction	<u>\$10,675.00</u>
10/27/2017	237	Joscelyn Sanchez - 10/5-27/17 (97.5 hrs)	Expenses:Service Fee	<u>\$(687.37)</u>
10/27/2017		Cash	Income:Other Income	<u>\$900.00</u>
10/30/2017		Service Charge - Monthly	Expenses:Bank Service Charge	<u>\$(3.00)</u>
11/09/2017	215	Guangdong - Wires for Xmas Village	Expenses:Program /Sponsored Events	<u>\$(170.00)</u>
11/14/2017	217	Joscelyn Sanchez - 10/30-11/14/17 (44 hrs)	Expenses:Service Fee	<u>\$(323.00)</u>
11/14/2017	216	Bonnie Royal - Reimbursement - July 4th Independence Day	Expenses:Program /Sponsored Events	<u>\$(203.66)</u>
11/14/2017	203	Lina Mae Dela Cruz - Charter Day 2017	Expenses:Program /Sponsored Events	<u>\$(55.85)</u>
11/26/2017	239	IT&E - November payment	Expenses:Phone & Internet	<u>\$(111.67)</u>
11/26/2017	240	Joscelyn Sanchez - 11/15-26/17 (71.5 hrs)	Expenses:Service Fee	<u>\$(504.07)</u>
11/30/2017		Service Charge - Monthly	Expenses:Bank Service Charge	<u>\$(3.00)</u>
12/05/2017	241	Diann Torres - Reimbursement - Christmas Village & Yvonne Bennet Event	Expenses:Program /Sponsored Events	<u>\$(928.64)</u>
12/12/2017	242	William S. Reyes Elementary School	Expenses:Donation	<u>\$(500.00)</u>
12/20/2017		Cash	Income:Other Income	<u>\$947.44</u>
12/20/2017	218	Gary Liddle - Donation - Transparent Canoe for Special Ed	Expenses:Donation	<u>\$(300.00)</u>
12/21/2017	209	CNMI Treasury - BGR -	Expenses:Taxes:Business Gross Revenue	<u>\$(136.92)</u>
12/22/2017	219	Joscelyn Sanchez - 11/27-12/22/17 (120 hrs)	Expenses:Salary Expense	<u>\$(656.88)</u>
12/30/2017		Service Charge - Monthly	Expenses:Bank Service Charge	<u>\$(3.00)</u>
		CNMI Treasury - BGR January -	Expenses:Taxes:Business Gross	

12/31/2017	122	Cash Treasury - December 2017	Expenses: Taxes: Business Gross Revenue	<u>\$(360.31)</u>
01/17/2018	248	Katherine Palacios - EWT & CUC	Split Transaction	<u>\$(1,793.56)</u>
01/17/2018	247	Sweet Escapes	Expenses: Miscellaneous: Business Meeting	<u>\$(36.00)</u>
01/30/2018		Service Charge - Monthly	Expenses: Bank Service Charge	<u>\$(3.00)</u>
02/02/2018		Cash	Income: Other Income	<u>\$500.00</u>
02/05/2018	246	Bonnie Royal - Reimbursement	Expenses: Program /Sponsored Events	<u>\$(250.00)</u>
02/12/2018		Cash	Income: Other Income	<u>\$500.00</u>
02/13/2018	250	Bhuiyan Alam - Security Service - Christmas Village	Expenses: Program /Sponsored Events	<u>\$(360.00)</u>
02/16/2018		Bank of Guam	Income: Other Income	<u>\$1,000.00</u>
02/20/2018	220	Steller Marianas	Expenses: Program /Sponsored Events	<u>\$(500.00)</u>
02/23/2018		Cash	Income: Other Income	<u>\$1,125.00</u>
02/28/2018		Service Charge - Monthly	Expenses: Bank Service Charge	<u>\$(3.00)</u>
03/21/2018		Bridge Capital	Income: Other Income	<u>\$5,000.00</u>
03/23/2018	273	Saipan Apparel - MMAC Shirt	Split Transaction	<u>\$(1,131.00)</u>
03/23/2018	271	Joeten Superstore - Easter Game - CLI	Expenses: Program /Sponsored Events	<u>\$(119.55)</u>
03/23/2018	272	National Office Supply - Easter prizes	Expenses: Program /Sponsored Events	<u>\$(192.45)</u>
03/30/2018		Service Charge - Monthly	Expenses: Bank Service Charge	<u>\$(3.00)</u>
04/13/2018	275	Tropical Printing - Contest Material	Expenses: Program /Sponsored Events	<u>\$(50.00)</u>
04/30/2018		Service Charge - Monthly	Expenses: Bank Service Charge	<u>\$(3.00)</u>
05/10/2018	276	Diann Torres - Reimbursement for Easter, MMAC, phone bill	Expenses: Program /Sponsored Events	<u>\$(403.80)</u>
05/11/2018	277	MMAC - Java Joe Donation	Expenses: Program /Sponsored Events	<u>\$(970.00)</u>
05/21/2018	278	Voices of the CNMI - Disable event	Expenses: Donation	<u>\$(180.00)</u>
05/30/2018		Service Charge - Monthly	Expenses: Bank Service Charge	<u>\$(3.00)</u>
06/03/2018	254	Saipan Apparel - Graduation Ad	Expenses: Advertisement	<u>\$(405.00)</u>
06/04/2018		Tournament of Champions	Income: Other Income	<u>\$10,000.00</u>
06/05/2018		NMC Bookstore - reimbursement of MMAC shirts	Assets: Accounts Receivable	<u>\$1,160.00</u>
06/13/2018	279	Napu Outrigger Canoe Club - Donation	Expenses: Donation	<u>\$(2,500.00)</u>
06/18/2018	280	Claudia Flores - Reimbursement - Summer Camp	Expenses: Program /Sponsored Events	<u>\$(175.74)</u>

06/22/2018	251	Cash - Book Sales - PIBBA	Expenses:Program /Sponsored Events	<u>\$(5.00)</u>
06/22/2018	251	Cash - Bonita Park Tour - Summer Camp	Expenses:Program /Sponsored Events	<u>\$(200.00)</u>
06/26/2018	253	Rosal / Zest Ent - Disable Fest	Expenses:Program /Sponsored Events	<u>\$(90.00)</u>
06/26/2018	252	Rosal / Zest Ent - Fans - Disable Fest	Expenses:Program /Sponsored Events	<u>\$(300.00)</u>
06/30/2018		Service Charge - Monthly	Expenses:Bank Service Charge	<u>\$(3.00)</u>
07/03/2018	256	Tropical Printing - Banner - Disability Fest	Expenses:Program /Sponsored Events	<u>\$(60.00)</u>
07/03/2018	255	Coral Ocean Point Resort - Summer Camp	Expenses:Program /Sponsored Events	<u>\$(355.00)</u>
07/06/2018	257	Main Office of G. Anthony Long....	Expenses:Professional Service	<u>\$(7,500.00)</u>
07/16/2018	258	Marianas Variety - Graduation Ad	Expenses:Advertisement	<u>\$(385.59)</u>
07/17/2018	259	Guma Simiyan Marianas-ta	Expenses:Donation	<u>\$(300.00)</u>
07/18/2018	261	IT&E (January to July 2018 billing)	Expenses:Phone & Internet	<u>\$(565.14)</u>
07/30/2018		Service Charge - Monthly	Expenses:Bank Service Charge	<u>\$(3.00)</u>
Total For Assets:Current Assets:Checking Account				<u>\$(12,110.36)</u>
Grand Total				<u>\$(12,110.36)</u>

ATTACHMENT 4

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11 students on Saipan for cultural exchange - Saipan News, Headlines, Events, Ads

By Press Release

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First Lady Diann Torres presents a plaque of participation to one of the students from Beijing who are on island for an educational and cultural exchange program. The plaques were given after a Chinese opera performance held yesterday at the Eucon International School on Middle Road. (Bea Cabrera)

At the invitation of the Lady Diann Torres Foundation, 11 students from Beijing, China are on Saipan to showcase the arts and dances of the Chinese culture, tour the islands and interact with other students, while experiencing the tropical beauty of the Commonwealth.

First lady Diann Torres said the first batch of exchange students is

eager to share their culture.

"They reached out to us, which we appreciated and we are hoping to extend the invitation to the Public School System so our children can see other cultures. Many of us cannot afford to travel and we only get to see these beautiful places on television and on social media, but seeing it first hand is absolutely different and it's an amazing experience," she said.

"We want to keep the partnership going and, at the same time, bring our kids abroad to experience a different culture. We are looking forward to continuing this every other month and, hopefully, we would be able to gather enough sponsors [so] the children can come here," she added.

The exchange students from China performed in front of Torres, faculty, staff, and students of the Eucon International College on Middle Road last Thursday. It was later followed by song performances by the Eucon International College students from different grade levels.

Eucon International College president Dr. Christian Wei said, "This is a great program that gives students a better view of other people's traditions and culture."

"We are so grateful for this opportunity because we see two cultures merge. The students from China performing the Chinese opera with full costume and make-up while our Eucon students sing Christmas songs," he said.

"Hopefully, this kind of education exchange program will be longer next time so we can have longer classroom immersion and showcase more of the traditions so students will learn more. During this exchange, we were invited to go in Beijing and there is great

potential and opportunities to bond the ties,” he added.

Century Tours supervisor Yang “May” Huihong said her office has been tasked to make all arrangements and logistics for the visiting children.

“It was a great success and the next educational tour exchange will hopefully be a longer one. In the future we plan to bring more students here,” she said.

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A record-breaking MMAC - Saipan News, Headlines, Events, Ads

By Kimberly Bautista

4-5 minutes



Luminaries light up the night in memory of those who lost the battle against cancer during the annual Marianas March Against Cancer event last Friday at the Hopwood Middle School field. (Kimberly A. Bautista)

The 2018 Marianas March Against Cancer last Friday and Saturday at the Hopwood Middle School field broke multiple records in MMAC history.

From the number of participating teams to the number of sponsors, the 16th Annual Marianas March Against Cancer exceeded all records of previous years.

According to MMAC steering committee co-chair Bobby Cruz, this year's MMAC had 20 teams and the support of 35 sponsors.

"We've never had 20 teams participate in the past. The closest we came was 19 teams and that was several years ago...it's so awesome...and we received 35 sponsors this year, which is just amazing," he said.

MMAC steering committee co-chair Carline Sablan said the committee also sold out its shirts and luminaries.

"We ordered 5,000 luminaries and we had to get wick candles because we sold out and it was just an amazing year," she said.

The result of this year's MMAC is a testament to how far the community has come in terms of its involvement in the fight against cancer, Sablan said.

"It's definitely gaining more and more support from the community...we're definitely bringing everyone together to join in the fight against cancer," she said.

Cruz said that he and his team started as early as possible, which he believes was the reason for the success of the event.

"We had very strong support from the community...we had an incredible support team...but also we started early. We really wanted to pay attention to all the details, to make sure that we had ample time to reach out to the community to make sure everyone knew about what the march against cancer is about," he said.

This year's MMAC also raised more cash donations compared to last year.

This year, MMAC raised \$179,936 in monetary donations. That's \$15,383 more than the \$164,553 raised last year.

Overall, MMAC raised \$250,800 in-cash and in-kind donations this year. Last year, MMAC raised \$220,300. All donations received

through MMAC will be donated to the Commonwealth Cancer Association to aid those who are still battling cancer.

As usual, MMAC awarded plaques to the team that won in categories like Most Funds Raised, Best Baton, Best Tent, Community Spirit, Inspirational Spirit, Most Laps, Most Luminaries Sold, Rising Star, and Rookie of the Year during the closing ceremony.

The Rising Star award was given to team TanHoldings and Kagman High School for generating significantly more than they did in previous years.

The Rookie of the Year award was given to Team CNMI PSS and Saipan Paddle Club for being the newest team to join MMAC and for embodying this year's theme: "One Community, One Journey."

The Community Spirit award was given to Team Bodig for their enthusiasm and participation in all the MMAC meetings. Team Bodig also took home the award for Most Money raised in the Pullan (family) category.

The Inspirational Spirit award was given to Talaabwogh Star for their unwavering spirit throughout the night.

The Most Laps award was given to Marianas Health Services for running the most laps from start to finish.

The Most Luminaries Sold award was given to Fa'ye for selling about \$8,000 worth of luminaries.

The Best Baton award was given to IT&E and Saipan Southern High School for representing their team's theme perfectly through their baton.

The Lady Diann Torres Foundation and the Northern Marianas

College took home the Best Tent award for their creativity and the amount of work put into the decoration of their tent. The team also won the most funds raised under the Tanu (non-profit/and or school/institution/ and or government) category.

The most money raised in the Puti'on (corporate) category was Team Pacific Islands Club.

For the most Money Raised in the Atdao (nonprofit/government) category, the award was given to team Northern Marianas Islands Football Association.

The award for Most Money raised in the Napu (school) category was given to Mount Carmel School.

The award for Most Money raised in the Tasi (corporate/family/non-profit or school) category was given to Team Lancheros.

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An evening of hats and friendship - Saipan News, Headlines, Events, Ads

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2018 Miss Marianas contestants share a laugh with first lady Diann Torres, far right, and Lady Diann Torres Foundation board member Shirley Sablan during the foundation's Wacky Hat party Saturday evening. (Contributed Photo)

Officers and members of the Lady Diann Torres Foundation hosted the 2018 Miss Marianas contestants and Stellar Marianas volunteers Saturday evening in a creative display of hats and headpieces.

First lady Diann Torres and Villa Hocog, wife of Lt. Gov. Victor Hocog, came up with a fun concept, a "Wacky Hat Party" for Saturday evening's event and encouraged the young women to create their own hats or pick one that has personal meaning to them.

Torres also asked them to bring five personal items that describe a

little about themselves for a fun way to get to know each other more.

"I, along with [Villa] and the LDT Foundation, would like to congratulate all of you for a wonderful job in volunteering for our community and we are happy to support your journey in representing our CNMI to the best of your abilities," said Torres.

LDT Foundation vice president Geraldine Delacruz pointed out to the young women that the foundation supports achievements of women all over the NMI and, by being contestants, "you took this important first step and no matter what happens, you should continue to be active in our community and help in any way you can."

Villa reminded the candidates to continue to be positive role models for the community.

Miss Marianas contestant Eden Conner created a hat that had a floral pin from her brother's wedding, a memory she keeps close to her heart, while contestant Jaiden McPhetres Santos made a pink floral hat that represented her love for nature.

Cris Noel Obaldo was inspired to have the award-winning movie Notebook look with a sundress hat, and Kaysha Aguon Cruz, who loves to make her own crafts, made a sparkling gold floral hat.

Leisha Mendiola Deleon Guerrero made a headpiece with fresh flowers and butterflies to share her love for natural beauty, while Chloe Parrone Salvosa wore a cute ribbon hat to reflect her simple and fun personality.

Maricris Zapanta, who won the hat of the evening, turned a floral pot into a nature-inspired hat complete with a waterfall and Celine

Concepcion Cabrera turned a woven hat into a natural garden with fresh orchids and flowers.

Miss Marianas Peachy Quitigua wore a coconut leaf hat woven by her grandmother to highlight her childhood of being raised on the farm and her love for nature.

The 2018 Miss Marianas contestants walked the catwalk and explained their hat creations, boosting their public speaking skills and presentation skills.

LDTF volunteers also hosted games that elicited a lot of laughs and team-building skills among the young women.

LDTF is a nonprofit organization with three main goals to support women, cultural literacy, and bettering lives in the CNMI.

"We extend our heartfelt thank you to [Torres, Villa], and LDTF for their continual support. It is deeply appreciated. We are so glad we share the same vision in bringing our Commonwealth to the world's stage in the most positive light through the achievements of our intelligent and strong young women, our natural beauty and hospitality," said Stellar Marianas president Laila Boyer.

"This evening was so much fun and we got to know our contestants so much more, see their creativity and how much more confident they have become," she added.

The 2018 Miss Marianas pageant is scheduled for Saturday, Feb. 24, at the Fiesta Resort & Spa Saipan. Tickets at \$40 per person are available through each of the contestants.

For more information on Stellar Marianas, visit www.facebook.com/stellarmarianas and for LDTF at www.facebook.com/ladydianntorres. (PR)

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Attao, Long, Litulumar top LDTF writing competition - Saipan News, Headlines, Events, Ads

By Press Release

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On behalf of the Lady Diann Torres Foundation, first lady Diann Torres accepts a \$1,000 donation from Bridge Capital vice president Vincent Bidez, chief operating officer Tucker Baldwin, and business development manager Joe Guerrero, making their company an official partner sponsor of the 2nd Annual Language in Literacy Young Author's Writing Competition. Also in the photo are LDTF board of directors member Shirley Sablan and outreach chair Irene Torres. (Contributed Photo)

The Lady Diann Torres Foundation announced yesterday the

winners of the 2nd Annual Language in Literacy Young Author's Writing Competition.

In the Chamorro grades 4-5 category, the first place prize went to Leilani Attao of Garapan Elementary School, with her work titled, Maolek Kontra Båba. The second place prize went to Jeremy Santos of Tinian Elementary School, with Si Sirena.

In grades 6-8, the first place prize went to Cielo Long of Tinian Junior High School, with I Duendis. In second place is D'anahlei Rodriguez of Chacha Ocean View, with I dos Asagua yan I Asuli.

In the Carolinian category, the first place winner in grades 6-8 is Jude Litulumar of Chacha Ocean View, with The Origin of the Stick Dance. Second place went to Devin Kapileo of Chacha Ocean View, with Chief Aghurubw.

One the missions of LDTF is to promote and protect the language and culture of the indigenous Chamorro and Carolinian by giving the youth an opportunity to share stories and publish books written within the vernacular.

"I am extremely grateful to all young authors who participated in our second annual writing competition," said first lady Diann Torres. "I am humbled by the support of parents, teachers and administrators of various participating schools. They have dedicated time and have worked hard to guide their children throughout their journey in this competition."

Torres also thanked the judges for taking on the tough job of choosing the winners. The judges for the competition included Crispin Ogo, Claudia Larson, Juanita Nekaifes, John Tagabuel, and Erlinda Naputi.

The theme for the competition was “Myths and Legends.”

All submissions had to be written in either Chamorro or Carolinian by students in elementary grade levels 4 and 5, junior high school grades 6 through 8 and high school grades 9 through 12.

There was an increase in the number of submissions compared to the Foundation’s first competition.

Top finalists and winners will be assigned a professional illustrator to help illustrate their individual short stories and make ready for book publishing—all managed and paid for by the LDTF with the support of its sponsors.

Winning books will be edited and approved by the language commission before it is published.

LDTF has now opened the Language in Literacy program for an official sponsorship opportunity. There are two sponsor levels: \$2,000 for main sponsor and \$1,000 for partner sponsor.

For information about the Language in Literacy Young Author’s Writing Competition or to learn how to become an official sponsor of published books under this program, email ladydianntorres@gmail.com or call (670) 235-5383. **(PR)**

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Bennett headlines film premiere - Saipan News, Headlines, Events, Ads

By Kimberly Bautista

4-5 minutes





Yvonne Bennett, left, poses for a photo with first lady Diann Torres yesterday before the premiere of the film Love, Kennedy, where Bennett plays a supporting role. (Kimberly A. Bautista)

Yvonne Bennett made a triumphant return to Saipan and headlined the premiere of the film Love, Kennedy last Sunday at the Regal Cinemas in San Jose.

Bennett, who plays the supporting character of Lexi Velasquez in the film, has returned home for the film's local premiere.

It took two years of acting classes, modelling classes, and more before landing the role "It was a lot of training, auditions, modelling classes, a lot of prep work that I had been doing," she said.

The daughter of Ambrose and Lillian was invited to audition for her role by a director she worked with in an acting workshop.

"He was really impressed with my work and he invited me to the audition... Two weeks later I heard that I got the part," said Bennett.

Love, Kennedy is a film based on the life of Kennedy Hansen, who fell ill and died from Battens disease.

Bennett feels honored that her first film turned out to be one based on a brave and humble family. "They were so brave to just allow the world to see the story of Kennedy... she's an inspiration to me as well," she said. "I've always been drawn to true stories and for it to be one of my first films, I just couldn't have asked for a better first

project for myself.”

According to her, one of the biggest challenges she faced on set was when she was required to film all her heavier, emotional scenes all at once. “Just having to bring the emotions and do justice for the film, that was one of the most challenging but also the most rewarding,” she said.

Aside from Love, Kennedy, Bennett has starred in commercials, training videos for the veteran’s hospital, and will soon take on a supporting role in an upcoming horror film, Big Foot on Mill Creek; Dead End.

Bennett was born in Guam, but raised on Saipan. She spent her primary and her teen years on Saipan before leaving for Boise, Idaho, and then Utah.

According to her, being back home feels like nothing has changed. “It’s like I never left because it just picks up from where I was last time...it makes me even more humble and grounded,” she said.

The Women’s Affair Office of the Governor’s Office and the Lady Diann Torres Foundation funded Bennett’s trip to Saipan.

According to First Lady Diann Torres, they wanted to inspire other individuals on island to dream big and pursue those dreams. “Even from a little island...we can make it big out there,” she said.

Gov. Ralph DLG Torres said it is important to emphasize the talent that comes from the islands. “When you have success like this outside [Saipan], you want to emphasize it and you want to embrace it and nothing beats that than bringing them back home,” he said. “I want her to know that even if the CNMI is small, we’re still here and are supporting her no matter what.”

Many who watched Love, Kennedy yesterday were moved to tears.

According to Mariana Gramlich, the movie was inspiring and ideal for the holidays.

Another moviegoer, Serena Santos, said the movie was definitely a tearjerker.

Bennett's mother and father could not be more proud of their daughter.

"I am over excited, I am overwhelmed, and I am proud," said Lillian, Bennett's mother.

"I am not really surprised. We always encourage them to pursue their dreams and that's what she has been doing," said Ambrose, Bennett's father.

Bennett's mother also said she was thankful for the foundations that helped bring her daughter home after five years.

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Bridge Capital donates \$26K to various charities - Saipan News, Headlines, Events, Ads

By Erwin Encinares

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Representatives of the Department of Community and Cultural Affairs pose with Gov. Ralph DLG Torres, Lt. Gov. Victor B. Hocog, Senate President Arnold I. Palacios (R-Saipan), and Reps. Francisco Aguon (R-Saipan) and Alice Igitol (R-Saipan) after a proclamation signing at the Office of the Governor. (Erwin Encinares)

Bridge Capital LLC last week donated a total of \$26,000 to various charities in the CNMI, including government programs that keep ancient Chamorro traditions intact.

Bridge Capital president John Baldwin said one of the things the company is happy to do is step in to fulfill the needs of the

community.

"...It's wonderful being a part of the family here in the CNMI. Even though we are going through a time of prosperity compared to a few years ago, there are always needs," he said.

Bridge Capital donated \$5,000 to the First Lady Diann Torres Foundation; \$3,500 to the Center for Living Independently CNMI; \$3,500 to the Commonwealth Council for Arts and Culture for their Seafaring Traditions Program; \$5,000 to the Saipan Little League Association; \$5,000 to the Rota Little League Association; \$1,500 to the Hyatt Regency Golf Classic as a sponsorship; \$1,000 to the Triathlon Association of the CNMI; \$1,000 to the Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math science fair of the Public School System; and \$500 and 500 Bridge Capital bags to the Saipan Mayor's Office's spay and neuter campaign.

"We give to the community because we live here and we love the community," Baldwin told Saipan Tribune. "We love giving to arts, culture, and to sports; we set aside a percentage of our companies income each year to give away," he continued, adding that the company was in support of the community regardless of the age.

John Castro, an arts counsel for the Department of Community and Cultural Affairs, particularly with the Seafaring Traditions Program, remained grateful to Bridge Capital for their donation.

"...[Seafaring] is the very start of our history. From being from the Oceania area, travelling through water, it is how we got here. We have learned to adapt to these places and we want to continue perpetuating this tradition to our younger generations and we hope that it continues," said Castro, who works with Sesario Sewralur, son of master navigator Mau Pailug.

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Castro tops young author contest - Saipan News, Headlines, Events, Ads

By Saipan Tribune

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The Lady Diann Torres Foundation named yesterday the winners of the first ever young author's competition.

The winners were Coloma Castro, 8th grade, Hopwood Middle School, with a book titled I Lina'la' Hu, which means "My Life" in English; Adora Jay San Nicolas, 5th grade, Sinapalo Elementary School, with her book Hafa Sinintete-mu? which means "How are you feeling?"; and Katrina Gaag, 7th grade, Chacha Oceanview Middle School, with her book Kkol Refaluwasch Me Rei. Gaag's story was the only Carolinian entry.

The winners of the Language in Literacy Young Author's Competition were chosen from a crop of 32 entries from Saipan, Tinian, and Rota.

First lady Diann Torres through the Lady Diann Torres Foundation launched the Language in Literacy Young Author's Program and Young Author's Competition earlier this year to jumpstart the language and literacy portion and mission of her foundation. The Young Author's Program was designed to promote the learning and use of the indigenous Chamorro and Carolinian languages.

The competition's honorary awardees are Yonnie Babauta, 6th grade, Chacha Oceanview Middle School with book titled I Batchit Lina'la-hu Ni Chamorro. This entry was the only Braille entry designed specifically for readers who are visually impaired or blind; and Jeremy Santos, 3rd grade, Tinian Elementary School, with book titled I Finenina Na Kinine'hu Guihan, which means "The first fish I have ever caught."

There were three categories for the competition: grades 4-5, grades 6-8, and grades 9-12.

Entries were not to exceed 250 words for grades 4-8 and 500 for grades 9-12. They had to be submitted in Microsoft Word format or Google Docs with a 12 points Times New Roman font and single spaced between lines.

Winning story entries were granted an exclusive partnership with a professional illustrator and full publishing opportunity.

Trophies were presented to winners and honorary recipients. Cash prizes were extended to both winners.

"I was extremely happy to see our young authors take part in this competition," said Torres. "For a long time, I have had this dream of developing a program that will bring excitement to storytelling and short story writing, specifically for children, using the indigenous Chamorro and Carolinian languages."

Torres gave thanks to IT&E for its support of this program and to a group of volunteers "who helped make this dream a reality."

Published books will be entered in CNMI local public and school libraries.

Judges for this competition were Joe Sanchez, Roman Tudela Jr.,

Joe Limes, and John Tagabuel.

For information about the Lady Diann Torres Foundation Language
in Literacy Young Author's Program, email
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Diaz impressed with rookie-laden Rollers - Saipan News, Headlines, Events, Ads

By Jon Perez

3-4 minutes



NMI Rollers players, officials, and supporters pose for a photo at the conclusion of the 2017 Thanksgiving Hoop Fest held in Guam last month. (Contributed Photo)

The rookie-laden NMI Rollers fought with a heart of a veteran.

This was how Rollers coach Joe Diaz described his U16 and U18 teams after an impressive showing in last month's 2017 Thanksgiving Hoop Fest in Guam.

The Rollers' went home with the second place trophy in the U16 division contest, while its U18 squad placed third in the nine-day tournament held at the Tamuning Gym.

The U16 Rollers earned 2-1 record in the elimination round, with its only loss coming from Guam's Island Chiefs II, 58-29. Diaz's wards then escaped with a 35-33 win over Tinian to earn a finals berth. The NMI Rollers eventually lost to the Island Chiefs in the title match, 50-31.

In the U18 division, the NMI Rollers bowed to a squad from Guam and Tinian, while the former's lone victory was against another squad from the hosts.

"There are only two veteran players in our U16 team and three in our U18 squad. Still, they did a good job against Guam," said Diaz, who had co-captains Aaron Ogumoro and Christian Arceo, and Angelo Factor as the only veterans on the U18 team.

Chioni Dela Cruz and John Paul Cruz were the only experienced players on the Rollers' U16 squad, while the rest were newcomers. Joaquin Agulto, Richard Enrico Ballerares, Diego Elnei Cabrera Jr., Dillan Joaquin Cruz, Nyrel Eugenio, Nehemiah Fernandez, Andrew James Hudkins, Hanferney Kapwich, Devon Pangelinan, Vincent Christopher Tudela, Roger Keith Valencia, Everett Indalecio, and Frederick John Garon were the other players who suited up for the NMI Roller's U16 team.

In the U18, the squad also had Jeremy Agulto, Joey Ken Cruz Jr., Patrick Duenas Jr., Kyle Fabia, Jay Johnny Jr., Jelbert Quitugua, and Enrique Joven Rabauliman.

Diaz said they have to work on some aspects of their game to improve their skills and play.

"One of the things that we need to improve is how to box out our opponents. We need to work on how to go up against taller teams. Guam teams have taller players and we need to learn how to get rebounds against taller teams," added Diaz.

The NMI Rollers players are back on training, holding practices every Tuesdays and Thursdays from 5pm to 7:30pm, and Saturdays from 3pm to 6pm at the Koblerville Gymnasium.

Meanwhile, Diaz would like to thank Pacific Amusement, Hertz, Transcend Solution, Gov. Ralph DLG Torres and First Lady Diann Torres Foundation, Reps. Angel Demapan, Don Barcinas, Joe Itibus, Ed Villagomez, Frank Aguon, B.J. Attao, Ed Propst, Ivan Blaco, Larry Deleon Guerrero, Vinnie Sablan, Frank Dela Cruz, and John Paul Sablan, Senate President Arnold Palacios, and Sens. Justo Quitugua and Sixto Igisomar for their support to the NMI Rollers' trip to Guam.

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DPS bags awards in Christmas Village tilt - Saipan News, Headlines, Events, Ads

By Kimberly Bautista

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The Department of Public Safety placed first in several categories in the Lady Diann Torres Christmas Village decoration competition.

A previous Saipan Tribune article quoted first lady Diann Torres as saying that DPS set the standard quite high last year, yet it seems DPS stepped their game up further this year. The hard work paid off because the department was awarded first place for two out of three categories.

This year, a total of 28 agencies and organizations competed to win the most creative, best in theme, and people's choice awards for each of their unique cottage designs displayed at the Lady Diann Torres Foundation Christmas Village.

During the awarding ceremony last Friday, DPS won first place for most creative and for best in theme.

The department built a cottage that was inspired by the Willy Wonka chocolate factory.

The department was awarded \$200 cash, two plaques, and chocolates as a gift from the Lady Diann Torres Foundation.

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**Declaration of Glenna SP Reyes
FEC No. P-MUR 609**

I, Glenna SP Reyes, hereby state as follows:

1. I was born and raised on the Island of Saipan, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands ("Commonwealth" or "CNMI"). I am sixth of seven children raised by my mother who had the daunting task of raising seven children on her own after the passing of my father in 1981.
2. I attended Commonwealth public schools and constantly worked during this period. My work experience began when I was twelve years old, as I worked at a Mom and Pop Store in my home village of Chalan Kanoa on Saipan. I held that job for two years working after school and on summer break. During my high school years, I worked at Joeten Motors as a Gas Attendant then subsequently worked at Saipan Diamond Hotel as a Front Desk Clerk.
3. Upon graduating from Marianas High School, I commenced working as a Ticket Agent at Continental Air Micronesia. Upon saving enough money to purchase an airfare ticket, I moved to Eugene, Oregon where I obtained multiple Associate Degrees (Associate of Science, Associate of General Studies and Association of Arts: Oregon Transfer) from Lane Community College in Eugene, Oregon.
4. While attending college in Oregon, I held odd jobs to supplement the limited financial support that I was receiving from my Mom. I worked at Parkway Studio as a Telemarketer;

Fircrest Farms as an Assembly Line Packager, a Cashier at Dairy Mart; and at Troutman's Emporium as a Sales Associate, respectively.

5. I returned to Saipan in 1995. I enrolled in the Northern Marianas College in 1998 and subsequently obtained multiple Associate of Applied Science Degrees in Business Administration, with emphasis on Accounting, Business Management, Computer Applications, Data Processing and Office Technology Administration.

6. I subsequently pursued my education further through an online degree program with Argosy University, Hawaii Campus, where I obtained my Bachelor of Science in Business Administration in 2007 and Master of Science in Management in 2011.

7. Upon returning home from Oregon in 1995, I worked at Hyatt Regency Saipan as a Secretary to the Food & Beverage Director where I was also responsible for providing services to the Deputy Director and seven outlet managers. Subsequently, in 1998, I entered government service with the Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature (NMCL) for 15 years.

8. During the 15 years with NMCL, I spent two years as an Administrative Secretary at the House of Representatives; eight years as an Executive Assistant in the Senate; two years as Deputy Director for the Legislative Bureau; and three years as Director of the Legislative Bureau.

9. I departed from government service in 2011 and began my venture in business as a

Member-Manager for the Northern Marianas Business Process, LLC. In that position, I operated and managed three business units, a restaurant and a clothing store while providing consulting services. After five years, I returned to government service in December 2016 as the Senior Policy Advisor to Governor Ralph DLG. Torres, which is the position I currently hold.

10. I have always remained active in community and educational matters outside of my employment. I was a member of the CNMI Scholarship Advisory Board under the late Governor Eloy S. Inos, and served as the Board's Chairperson from 2014 to 2015. I have also served as President of Saipan Southern High School Parent-Teacher-Student Association and as Vice-President of the CNMI Public School System Parent Advisory Council.

11. I am currently the Secretary of the CNMI Republican Party, a legally established non-profit organization and have held this position since May 2016. As Secretary, I am responsible for the administrative work of the Board of Directors, inclusive of planning and organizing the Party's election activities, scheduling and the liaison between the Board of Directors and candidates.

12. I am also Vice-President of The Friends of Ralph ("FOR"). FOR was formed as a non-profit entity in 2017 under Commonwealth law and transitioned to a non-profit, tax-exempt political organization under Commonwealth law in February 2018. Attached hereto as Attachment 1 is a copy of FOR's Certificate of Incorporation and Amended Articles of Incorporation.

13. FOR was formed for purposes of raising funds and promoting the candidacy of Ralph DLG. Torres for election as Commonwealth Governor during the 2018 Election. As FOR's Vice President, I participate in planning, organizing and facilitating fundraising activities for the Torres/Palacios ticket. All fundraising activities are carried out with the best practices and concerted efforts are taken to ensure that the organization, its members, and recruited volunteers conduct fundraising activities within the boundary of Commonwealth laws that govern Commonwealth elections.

14. FOR conducted two fundraisers in 2017 which were a Birthday Fundraiser for the Governor held on August 4, 2017 and a Masquerade Ball held on December 29, 2017. Attached hereto as Attachments 2 and 3, respectively, are lists of the Donors for the Birthday Fundraiser and the Masquerade Ball.

15. FOR has not conducted any Fundraiser in 2018. When FOR was formed, Governor Torres had not yet formed a political election committee. Once the Governor formed an election committee for the 2018 election, FOR effectively ceased its fundraising activities so as not to conflict with the Governor's election committee's fundraising. The size of the Commonwealth's population makes it impractical to duplicate political fundraising in connection with a particular campaign or candidate.

16. Additionally, since received the FEC letter, FOR has ceased expending any of the funds it raised from the two 2017 fundraising events as it did not want to complicate or potentially taint

Governor Torres' election campaign. FOR will decide how to proceed with its funds once P-MUR 609 is resolved or otherwise concluded.

17. Since Commonwealth election law does not prohibit political contributions from foreign nationals, FOR did not make any effort to ascertain the citizenship or immigrant status of any contributor. Nevertheless, in reviewing Attachments 2 and 3, I can confidently state that the vast majority of the contributors identified on Attachments 2 and 3 are, in fact, U.S. citizens. However, there are some contributors whom I cannot verify as of yet, if they are a U.S. citizen, permanent resident or foreign national.

18. If it is resolved that United States election laws apply to Commonwealth local elections and United States law is applied retroactively, then FOR will rectify this situation in conformity with U.S. election law. Thus, if it is determined that any of the contributors were, in fact, a foreign national, or if FOR cannot verify that a contributor is a U.S. citizen, permanent resident or foreign national, then potential remedies include refunding the contribution if the contributor can be located. If the contributor cannot be located, then FOR can donate a sum equal to the contribution to a Commonwealth charity. Of course, any remedy will be in accordance with FEC direction.

19. Despite exercising diligence in political campaigns, occasional missteps do occur. When this happens, it is incumbent upon a campaign, committee or other political entity to correct the situation. One such incident occurred with FOR in connection with the August 4, 2017 Birthday

Fundraiser.

20. Commonwealth law, specifically P.L. 18-56 §2326, prohibits members of the 18th Legislature or members of their immediate family from directly or indirectly being employed by or receiving any finance consideration from the exclusive casino license holder for a period of five years from the date of issuance of the exclusive casino license. IPI is the exclusive casino license holder and its exclusive license was issued in 2014.

21. FOR's first fundraising event was a Birthday Fundraising event for Governor Torres held on August 4, 2017. In conducting the event, FOR distributed invitational letters to various business and companies seeking sponsorship for \$10,000 and \$5,000 corporate tables. IPI was one of the companies receiving an invitation and responded by sponsoring a \$10,000.00 Corporate Table.

22. After the event, FOR realized that since the Governor was a Senator during the 18th Legislature, the IPI contribution for the fundraiser could potentially be construed as an indirect contribution for the Governor in contravention of P.L. 18-56.

23. Attached hereto as Exhibit 4 is a copy of my letter to Mark Brown, IPI's Chief Executive Officer, refunding the \$10,000 donation together with a copy of the check and a copy of the deposit slip showing the deposit to IPI's bank account.

24. It is also important to note that eight persons attended the fundraiser at the IPI's corporate table and were included as part of the total head count that FOR paid Pacific Islands Club.

Refunding the contribution to IPI meant that FOR absorbed an expense of \$624.00 (\$75 per head + \$3.00 corkage fee per head) which was the amount paid to Pacific Islands Club for the eight attendees at IPI's corporate table.

25. It appears that another misstep occurred in late 2017 when FOR, without knowledge or consent of Demapan For Congress ("DFC"), photo shopped a picture of the top Republican Party candidates for office during the 2018 election who were Governor Torres, Lt. Governor Palacios and Washington Delegate candidate Angel A. Demapan. The photo was for a Christmas holiday greeting published in the local media. A copy of the photo is attached hereto as Attachment 5.

26. FOR recently received a request from DFC seeking the cost associated with FOR preparing and publishing the advertisements so it could refund to FOR its share of the cost since it was uncertain if all of the funds FOR used to pay for preparing and publishing the advertisements were contributed were derived from United States citizens and United States permanent residents. FOR has not yet calculated the requested cost or value.

27. In 2014, I was an active supporter of the Inos-Torres Ticket for Governor and Lt. Governor and for Angel Demapan. However, I was not involved in any fundraising activities other than purchasing tickets for my personal entrance to their fundraising events. Similarly, I was an active supporter of Angel Demapan in his 2016 re-election bid but I did not participate

in any of his fundraising activities other than purchasing tickets for my personal entrance to his fundraising events.

28. Ralph Torres was not a candidate during the 2016 Election as he was the Governor and the Governor was not up for election in 2016. Torres transitioned from Lt. Governor to Governor in 2015 upon the passing of Governor Eloy Inos. Torres is campaigning for election as Governor in 2018. Although I am an active supporter, I am not a member of the Governor's election or campaign committee.

29. I am very familiar with election financing activities as I served as the Chairperson and Treasurer for Pete Reyes during his re-election campaigns for one of the three Saipan senatorial seats during the 2001, 2005, and 2009 Commonwealth elections. I attended the workshops on Campaign Financial Activities provided by the Commonwealth Election Commission (CEC) and the Office of the Public Auditor (OPA) during those election cycles.

30. I am fully aware of what financial transactions are allowable and non-allowable under Commonwealth election law. Campaign contributions by foreign nationals have always been and still are allowable by Commonwealth law. In fact, in all of the workshops on Commonwealth election law that I attended prior to the one held on July 31, 2018, there was never any mention or discussion that foreign nationals were prohibited from contributing to a campaign or candidate under Commonwealth law or that United States election law precluded foreign nationals from contributing to campaigns or candidates seeking local Commonwealth office.

31. A CEC/OPA workshop on Commonwealth election law was held on July 31, 2018. At this Workshop, the prohibition on contributions from foreign nationals was mentioned for the first time in connection with Commonwealth elections. The attendees were simply told that foreign national contributions were prohibited by United States election law.

32. I inquired why such contributions were prohibited when they are allowed by Commonwealth law and the Covenant gives the Commonwealth self-government over internal matters such as local elections. I was informed that my inquiry should be addressed to the FEC or the Department of Justice.

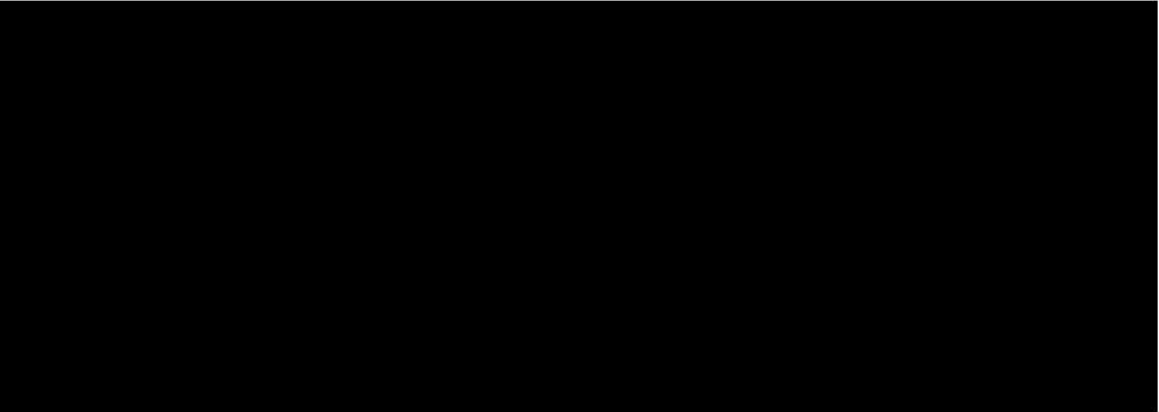
33. No explanation was given as to why, this issue was raised for the first time during the Workshop held in this election cycle when it apparently had never been a concern in any previous local Commonwealth election. This is especially so since contributions from foreign nationals in local Commonwealth elections have always been above board in the Commonwealth and have never been hidden or disguised or masked.

34. In any event, I am aware that prior to becoming the Washington Delegate, Kilili served as the CEC Executive Director from 2002 to 2008. He resigned as CEC Executive Director to run for the newly created Washington Delegate seat. During his tenure as CEC Executive Director, Commonwealth law, 1 CMC § 6109, gave him the obligation and responsibility for implementing all CEC regulations. During his time as CEC Executive Director, Kilili never promulgated any regulation which prohibited foreign nationals from contributing to local

Commonwealth political campaigns or candidates for local political office. This indicates that he believes that Commonwealth law governs and controls local Commonwealth elections and foreign nationals can lawfully contribute to local Commonwealth political campaigns and candidates for local Commonwealth office. If he believed otherwise, he would have ensured that CEC implemented regulations prohibiting foreign nationals from contributing to local Commonwealth elections.

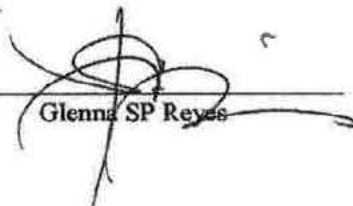
35. Angel A. Demapan is Congressman Sablan's opponent for the Washington Delegate seat for the 2018 election.

36. It is openly known that Congressman Sablan is an adversary of Governor Torres and dislikes IPI, the exclusive casino licensee for Saipan. Additionally, the U.S. citizen with the sole authority to decide on IPI's political contributions is an active supporter of Governor Torres and Angel Demapan.



38. There simply ~~is~~ no need for anyone or any entity involved in Commonwealth local elections to "funnel" contributions from foreign nationals to any campaign or candidate associated with an election for local Commonwealth office ~~as~~ contributions from foreign nationals are lawful under Commonwealth law and have always been above board.

I declare under penalty of perjury pursuant to Commonwealth law that the above ~~is~~ true and correct and execute this declaration on this 6th day of August, 2018.


Glenna SP Reyes

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Declaration of Geralyn Cabrera DelaCruz
FEC Case No. P-MUR 609

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I, Geralyn Cabrera DelaCruz, hereby state as follows:

1. I was born on Guam but Saipan has always been my home. I attended Mount Carmel School on Saipan until the 10th Grade. I completed my high school studies on Guam where I graduated from Academy of Our Lady of Guam. After graduating, I attended Chaminade University in Honolulu, Hawaii.
2. I am commonly called "Geri" and I am currently employed by Imperial Pacific International (CNMI), LLC ("IPI") in the position of Senior Director of Corporate Social Responsibility. IPI is a Commonwealth corporation which holds the exclusive casino license for Saipan and I have worked for IPI since 2015.
3. My duties as Senior Director of Corporate Social include carrying out IPI's Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) strategy by developing and implementing programs that promote and create positive impact in the community. This principally involves preparing and submitting recommendations for donations to community projects and activities on Saipan. I do not exercise any decision making authority in determining whether to actually make a donation. My duties do not involve making recommendations on political donations or contributions as the company has a separate protocol for making political contributions.
4. I have been personally involved in local Commonwealth elections since 2014 when my close childhood friend Angel A. Demapan ("Angel") decided to become a candidate for the

Commonwealth House of Representatives from Saipan's Precinct 1. Angel wanted someone he had complete trust in to manage the campaign's finances and ensure compliance with the applicable campaign laws, so he asked me to serve as the Treasurer for the Committee to Elect Angel A. Demapan, which was Angel's campaign committee in the 2014 election.

5. Angel is like a brother to me within our island culture. Angel and I have known each other since we were 12 years old as classmates at Mount Carmel School and have been close ever since. Although, I did not live in Precinct 1 and was not able to vote for Angel, he needed my assistance with venturing into the political sphere and I agreed to assist him.

6. I also served as the Treasurer for Angel's campaign committee when he sought re-election in 2016 and I am now serving as Treasurer for Demapan for Congress ("DFC") which is Angel's campaign committee for his candidacy for the Commonwealth's Washington Delegate seat in the 2018 election. All of my campaign work for Angel in the 2014, 2016 and now the 2018 election has been on a volunteer basis. It should be noted that Glenna SP Reyes was not involved in Angel's 2014 election campaign or his 2016 re-election as a fundraiser or in any administrative capacity.

7. During the 2014 election cycle, the Committee to Elect Angel A. Demapan engaged in fundraising by sending out solicitation letters and selling tickets to a campaign event entitled "Birthday Fundraiser for Angel Demapan" which was held on May 30, 2014. A ticket for the fundraiser costed \$20.00.

8. Angel ran for re-election in 2016. I served as Treasurer for the Committee to Re-Elect Angel A. Demapan. Angel was re-elected.

9. During the 2016 campaign the Committee to Re-Elect Angel A. Demapan conducted fundraising by sending out solicitation letters and selling tickets to two campaign events entitled "Birthday Fundraiser for Angel Demapan" which was held on May 26, 2016. A ticket for this fundraiser costed \$25.00. The second event was entitled a "Fundraiser for Angel Demapan" held on August 22, 2016. A ticket for this fundraiser costed \$100.00.

10. Angel is now running as a candidate for the Commonwealth's Washington Delegate seat and I am Treasurer for Demapan For Congress ("DFC") which is Angel's campaign committee. Angel is the Republican Party candidate for the Washington Delegate seat. When Angel decided to run for the Washington Delegate's seat, we knew the campaign would be subject to the United States election laws so we proceeded to educate ourselves on the applicable campaign rules.

11. In creating DFC, Angel and me, among other things, studied the FEC's Campaign Guide entitled "Congressional Candidates and Committees." In doing so we learned in Chapter 5, Section I, that unlike Commonwealth elections law, contributions from foreign nationals are prohibited under elections subject to United States election law

12. During the 2018 election cycle, DFC has engaged in fundraising by accepting monetary and in-kind donations, online donations and hosting two events entitled "Birthday Lunch with Angel Aldan Demapan" held on June 9, 2018. A ticket for this event costed \$100.00. Another event was entitled "Dinner Fundraiser for Angel Aldan Demapan," which was held on

November 9, 2017. A ticket for this event costed \$50.00.

13. DFC has not received or accepted a campaign contribution from Imperial Pacific International (CNMI), LLC ("IPI") which is a Commonwealth corporation that was awarded the exclusive Saipan casino license in 2014. This is substantiated by DFC's filings with the FEC which were prepared and submitted by me. Likewise, to my knowledge all contributors to DFC have been U.S. citizens and I do not have any reason to think otherwise.

14. A review of DFC's FEC filings will also substantiate that DFC has not accepted any contribution from a foreign national, a national bank, a corporation and has not exceeded any contribution or expenditure threshold.

15. DFC did not receive any contributions from Friends of Ralph ("FOR") during the 2014 and 2016 elections as neither DFC nor FOR existed during the 2014 and 2016 elections.

16. DFC has not received any monetary contribution from FOR during the 2018 election cycle. However, FOR included images of Angel in certain Christmas holiday political advertisements for Republican Party candidates in 2017. Neither I nor DFC knew of the preparation of such advertisements and we were not aware of the advertisements until they were published. In any event neither I nor DFC had any concern about the advertisements until I received the FEC's letter regarding P-MUR 609 and the allegations regarding FOR.

17. Since receiving P-MUR 609, DFC reviewed the Christmas holiday greeting advertisement and decided that although DFC was unaware of and did not consent in the preparation of or publishing of the advertisement the best course of action was to pay FOR

Angel's proportionate share of the preparation and publication. DFC has requested FOR to provide it with information regarding the costs for preparing and publishing the advertisements so that DFC can pay FOR the cost attributable to Angel's proportionate share.

18. Although DFC is unaware if FOR has, in fact accepted contributions from foreign nationals, it has taken the steps to rectify the circumstance out of an abundance of caution as DFC strives to comply with the applicable law. Accordingly, DFC will not accept any contribution from FOR unless FOR can establish that none of the funds constituting the contribution came from foreign nationals as defined by the United States election law.

19. Angel's opponent for the Washington Delegate seat is the incumbent Congressman Gregorio Kilili Camacho Sablan who is commonly known in the Commonwealth as Kilili. Congressman Sablan has held the Delegate seat since the seat was created by Congress and the first election was held in 2008.

20. It should be noted that Congressman Sablan served as the CEC Executive Director from 2002 to 2008. He resigned as CEC Executive Director to run for the newly created Washington Delegate seat. When Congressman Sablan or Kilili was the CEC Executive Director, it is my understanding that 1 CMC § 6109 made him responsible for implementing all CEC regulations. During Kilili's tenure as CEC Executive Director, CEC did not implement any regulation which prohibited foreign nationals from contributing to local Commonwealth political campaigns or candidates for local political office.

21. To me, Congressman Sablan's actions while he was CEC Executive Director reflect his

belief that Commonwealth law governed and controlled local Commonwealth elections and foreign nationals could lawfully contribute to local Commonwealth political campaigns and candidates for local Commonwealth office. If he believed otherwise, he would have ensured that CEC implemented regulations prohibiting foreign national contributions to local Commonwealth elections as Commonwealth law obligated him to do. He did not do so.

22. The CEC has detailed regulations governing campaign activities, fund raising and reporting requirements for local Commonwealth Elections which were implemented during Kilili's tenure as CEC Executive Director. None of the regulations prohibited foreign nationals from contributing to a campaign or candidate for a local Commonwealth election. Angel's 2014 and 2016 campaign's complied with the CEC campaign regulations.

23. Attached hereto as Attachment 1 is a true, genuine, and accurate copy of the campaign report for the 2014 election the Committee to Elect Angel A. Demapan submitted to the CEC in connection with the 2014 election. I prepared and submitted the report as Treasurer for the Committee to Elect Angel A. Demapan.

24. Attached hereto as Attachment 2 is a true, genuine, and accurate copy of the campaign report the Committee to Re-Elect Angel A. Demapan submitted to the CEC in connection with the 2016 election. I prepared and submitted the report as Treasurer for the Committee to Re-Elect Angel A. Demapan,

25. A review of the 2014 CEC filings shows that Angel's 2014 campaign did not receive any contribution from IPI.

26. A review of the 2016 CEC filing shows that the campaign received \$1,000.00 from IPI during the 2016 election. The contribution was made on or about August 22, 2016. That was for a fundraising event entitled "Fundraiser for Angel Demapan."

27. Attached hereto as Attachment 3 is the IPI memorandum dated July 27, 2016 in which Mark Brown, IPI's Chief Executive Officer at that time, who is a United States citizen, established the company's protocol regarding political contributions to campaigns and candidates. The protocol delegated to Viola Alepuyo, a United States citizen, the sole power and authority to decide on the amount of a contribution to a political campaign or candidate. The memorandum also set the maximum amount that could be contributed to a particular campaign or candidate based on the office the candidate was seeking. This shows that the decision to contribute the \$1,000.00 was made by a United States citizen. In any event, the contribution was lawful under Commonwealth law regardless of Ms. Alepuyo's citizenship.

28. During the 2014 and 2016 elections, neither I nor the applicable Committee, specifically targeted foreign nationals for contributions. Solicitation letters were sent to businesses and individuals by Committee members without verifying whether the person or business was a U.S. citizen, permanent resident or foreign national. That was not a material matter as Commonwealth law did not prohibit contributions from foreign nationals and the CEC never informed me otherwise.

29. I can state that the vast majority of the persons identified on Attachments 1 and 2 as having contributed to the Committee to Elect Angel A. Demapan in 2014 and the

Committee to Re-Elect Angel A. Demapan in 2016 are, in fact, U.S. citizens. However, there are some persons and corporations who I cannot verify as of yet, if they are a U.S. citizen, permanent resident or foreign national. If it is resolved that United States election laws apply to Commonwealth local elections and this is applied retroactively to the 2014 and 2016 elections, then Angel's 2014 and 2016 campaigns will rectify this situation in conformity with United States election laws. This can include refunding the contribution if the person or corporation can be located or donating an amount equal to the contribution to a Commonwealth charity in event the person or corporation cannot be located.

30. During the last three election cycles, the CEC has hosted a workshop in conjunction with the Commonwealth's Office of Public Auditor to ensure election campaigns were familiar with the laws and regulations governing elections.

31. I attended the CEC/OPA Workshop during the 2014 election cycle, the 2016 election cycle and the 2018 election cycle. The Workshop for the 2018 election was held on July 31, 2018, which was after initiation of P-MUR 609, but shortly before my August 8, 2018 response due date.

32. Ashley Kost is the person who conducted the CEC/OPA Workshops on the election laws for the 2016 and 2018 elections. I do not recall if she was, in fact, the OPA representative who conducted the 2014 workshop.

33. During the 2014 and 2016 Workshops, I do not recall Ms. Kost or any government representative mentioning foreign nationals or that foreign nationals were prohibited from

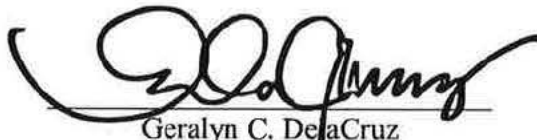
making contributions to political campaigns or candidates for a Commonwealth office.

34. The issue of contributions from foreign nationals caught the audience by surprise at the 2018 Workshop because no one had ever been previously advised of this prohibition.

35. During the 2018 Workshop, Christina Sablan, an employee of Congressman Sablan and a known avid supporter of Congressman Sablan commenced asking questions about foreign national contributions and the prohibition on such contributions, apparently so as to highlight the prohibition.

36. Glenna SP Reyes then inquired how the prohibition is unlawful when the Covenant gives the Commonwealth power of self-government and Commonwealth law does not prohibit foreign national contributions for local elections. In response to Glenna, Ms. Kost indicated that Glenna needed to discuss such issues with the Federal Election Commission and the Department of Justice as neither she nor the OPA was in a position to provide legal guidance on the matter.

I declare under penalty of perjury pursuant to the laws of the United States of America that the above is true, and correct and execute this declaration on this 4th day of August, 2018.



Geralyn C. De la Cruz

ATTACHMENT 1



**COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS
CAMPAIGN FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE**

CAMPAIGN STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT - CANDIDATE
2014 ☒ **GENERAL** ☐ **SPECIAL ELECTION**

Report Type:
☒ Final Report
☐ Amendment

IMPORTANT: FILE THIS REPORT NOT LATER THAN **DECEMBER 24, 2014**.
FILE ORIGINAL AND TWO COPIES WITH THE OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC AUDITOR.

OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC AUDITOR

This Campaign Statement of Account form is mandatory. Candidates may use the suggested reports and schedules furnished by the Election Commission, or they may use their own detailed formats. Should you use an alternative schedule format, you must provide, at a minimum, the same information as required in the Act. *12/24/14*

Candidate Name (Last Name, First Name, MI): Demapan, Angel A.	Office Sought: House of Representatives
Treasurer Name (Last Name, First Name, MI): DelaCruz, GERALYN C.	Preferred Mailing (P.O. Box) Address: P.O. Box 7208 SVRB Telephone: 670-989-3362

	CASH	IN-KIND
1. BALANCE CARRIED FORWARD FROM PREVIOUS ELECTION(S)		
ADD: RECEIPTS THIS ELECTION PERIOD		
2. RECEIPTS FROM FUNDRAISING EVENTS	\$17,751.00	\$502.00
3. MULTI-CANDIDATE CONTRIBUTIONS		
4. RECEIPTS FROM GENERAL CONTRIBUTIONS	\$4,125.00	\$330.00
5. OTHER RECEIPTS		
6. TOTAL AVAILABLE (Add Lines 1 through 5)	\$21,876.00	\$832.00
LESS: DISBURSEMENTS THIS ELECTION PERIOD		
7. DISBURSEMENTS FOR FUNDRAISING EVENTS	\$2,459.95	\$502.00
8. MULTI-CANDIDATE EXPENSES		
9. DISBURSEMENTS FOR GENERAL EXPENDITURES	\$20,578.87	\$330.00
10. OTHER DISBURSEMENTS		
11. TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS (Add Lines 7 through 10)	\$23,038.82	\$832.00
12. EXCESS (SHORTFALL) OF RECEIPTS OVER DISBURSEMENTS (Subtract Line 11 from Line 6)	(\$1,162.82)	

VERIFICATION

Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands } s.s.
Island of Saipan

I, Angel A. Demapan being duly sworn on oath, depose and say:
(Candidate)

That I am the individual named above; that I prepared the foregoing Campaign Statement of Account, that I have used all reasonable diligence in preparing this Statement, and that the contents thereof, including the contents of all supporting attachments, are a true, full and explicit accounting of all contributions received and expenses incurred in aid of the campaign. I understand that providing false information herein may subject me to civil and criminal penalties as provided by the Northern Mariana Islands Election Reform Act of 2000, 1 CMC §642B.

[Signature] 12/24/14
Signature of Candidate Date (Month, Day, Year)

Subscribed and sworn before me this 24th day of December, 2014

Notary Stamp

VIOLITA A. DIAZ

P.O. Box 7657 SVRB, Saipan, MP 96951

Notary Public

BY AND FOR THE COMMONWEALTH
OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS

My Commission Expires: 5-10-15

Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands } s.s.
Island of Saipan

I, Geraldyn C. DelaCruz being duly sworn on oath, depose and say:
(Treasurer)

That I am the individual named above; that the foregoing Campaign Statement of Account, and the contents thereof, including the contents of all supporting attachments, are true, full and explicit accounting of all contributions received and expenses incurred in aid of the campaign. I understand that providing false information herein may subject me to civil and criminal penalties as provided by the Northern Mariana Islands Election Reform Act of 2000, 1 CMC §642B.

[Signature] 12/24/14
Signature of Treasurer Date (Month, Day, Year)

Subscribed and sworn before me this 24th day of December, 2014

Notary Stamp

VIOLITA A. DIAZ

P.O. Box 7657 SVRB, Saipan, MP 96951

Notary Public

BY AND FOR THE COMMONWEALTH
OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS

My Commission Expires: 5-10-15

COMMITTEE TO ELECT ANGEL A. DEMAPAN
CAMPAIGN FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE

FUNDRAISING EVENT REPORT

May 30, 2014

SUMMARY OF FUNDRAISING RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

RECEIPTS	CASH	IN-KIND
GROSS PROCEEDS FROM FUNDRAISING EVENTS	\$ 17,751.00	
IN-KIND CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED		\$ 502.00
CONTRIBUTED PROPERTY RECEIVED		
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$ 17,751.00	\$ 502.00

DISBURSEMENTS	CASH	IN-KIND
FUNDRAISING EXPENSES	\$ 2,459.95	
ADJUSTMENT FOR IN-KIND CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED		\$ 502.00
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	\$ 2,459.95	\$ 502.00

NET RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS	\$ 15,291.05	\$ -
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12/24/14

COMMITTEE TO ELECT ANGEL A. DEMAPAN
CAMPAIGN FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE

FUNDRAISING EVENT REPORT

May 30, 2014

GROSS PROCEEDS AND EXPENSES FROM FUNDRAISING EVENT

RESULT SUMMARY		
TOTAL CASH PROCEEDS FROM INDIVIDUALS WHO CONTRIBUTED LESS THAN \$500	\$	19,267.00
TOTAL CASH PROCEEDS FROM INDIVIDUALS WHO CONTRIBUTED MORE THAN \$500	\$	-
TOTAL CASH PROCEEDS FROM FUNDRAISING EVENT	\$	19,267.00
TOTAL FUNDRAISING EXPENSES	\$	2,459.95
NET CASH PROCEEDS	\$	16,807.05

SECTION 1. NAMES OF CONTRIBUTORS WITH \$500 OR MORE TOTAL AGGREGATE CONTRIBUTIONS		
FULL NAME OF CONTRIBUTOR		AMOUNT
<i>None to report.</i>		
TOTAL PROCEEDS OF CONTRIBUTIONS	\$	-

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COMMITTEE TO ELECT ANGEL A. DEMAPAN
CAMPAIGN FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE

FUNDRAISING EVENT REPORT

May 30, 2014

SECTION 2. FUNDRAISING EXPENSES

FULL NAME OF PAYEE	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT		
		Food/Drinks	Advertising	Supplies
JRM-ANDER Troop Store	Drinks	\$ 27.00		
Marianas Variety	Tickets		\$ 179.97	
Round Two	Lunch Meeting	\$ 94.75		
Salpan Apparel Printing, LLC	CTE T-Shirts		\$ 408.00	
JRM-ANDER Troop Store	Drinks/Plates	\$ 107.50		\$ 31.08
JRM-ANDER Troop Store	Drinks	\$ 107.50		
JRM-ANDER Troop Store	Drinks	\$ 107.50		
JRM-ANDER Troop Store	Drinks	\$ 107.50		
JRM-ANDER Troop Store	Drinks	\$ 142.98		
JRM-ANDER Troop Store	Drinks	\$ 129.00		
JRM-ANDER Troop Store	Drinks	\$ 116.50		
Martha's Retail Store	Bags of Ice	\$ 30.00		
Martha's Retail Store	Dessert Plates			\$ 17.00
JRM-ANDER Troop Store	Plates			\$ 33.60
JRM-ANDER Troop Store	Drinks	\$ 157.90		
Sweet Escape	Dessert	\$ 160.00		
Han Nam Market	Food	\$ 74.02		
Royal Sourcing Wholesale	Food	\$ 36.00		
SMJ Corporation	Food	\$ 85.00		
Yaong Corporation	Food	\$ 207.15		
Band	Services		\$ 100.00	
FUNDRAISING EXPENSES		\$ 1,690.30	\$ 687.97	\$ 81.68

TOTAL FUNDRAISING EXPENSES **\$ 2,459.95**

Salpan
12/24/14

S. J. J.
12/24/14

**COMMITTEE TO ELECT ANGEL A. DEMAPAN
CAMPAIGN FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE**

GENERAL CONTRIBUTIONS AND EXPENSE REPORT

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

RECEIPTS	CASH	IN-KIND
MONETARY CONTRIBUTIONS FROM NON FUNDRAISING EVENTS	\$ 4,125.00	
IN-KIND CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED		\$ 330.00
CONTRIBUTED PROPERTY RECEIVED		
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$ 4,125.00	\$ 330.00

DISBURSEMENTS	CASH	IN-KIND
GENERAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 19,123.87	
CONTRIBUTIONS TO OTHER CANDIDATES	\$ 1,455.00	
ADJUSTMENT FOR IN-KIND CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED		\$ 330.00
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	\$ 20,578.87	\$ 330.00

NET RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS	\$ (16,453.87)	\$ -
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Angel A. Demapan
12/24/14

COMMITTEE TO ELECT ANGEL A. DEMAPAN
CAMPAIGN FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE

GENERAL CONTRIBUTIONS

MONETARY CONTRIBUTIONS FROM NON-FUNDRAISING EVENTS

FULL NAME OF CONTRIBUTOR	AMOUNT
JET Enterprises	\$ 100.00
Bridge Capital, LLC	\$ 100.00
Saint Trading Company, Inc.	\$ 200.00
Mr or Mrs Robert H. Jones	\$ 100.00
H. K Pangelinan & Associates, LLC	\$ 200.00
Kan Pacific Saipan, Ltd.	\$ 100.00
Mr or Mrs Robert H. Jones	\$ 200.00
Chong's Corporation	\$ 100.00
Das Krishnan	\$ 25.00
Saipan Computer Services	\$ 100.00
Mr./Mrs. Roman S. & Patricia Palacios	\$ 100.00
National Office Supply	\$ 100.00
Ms. Marian A. Pierce	\$ 200.00
Mr. Eloy S. Inos	\$ 500.00
Ms. Edith Deleon Guerrero	\$ 50.00
Mr. William Satterberg	\$ 200.00
Mr. Mufi Hanneman	\$ 200.00
Ms. Rose Smith	\$ 100.00
Ms. Michelle Kramer	\$ 250.00
Mr/Mrs. Jerry & Vina Ayuyu	\$ 100.00
Gold Ribbon	\$ 100.00
Pinnacle Staffing	\$ 100.00
Pangelinan, Inc.	\$ 100.00
HKP, Inc.	\$ 100.00
Susupeville, Inc.	\$ 100.00
Mr/Mrs. Angel & Krista Falig	\$ 100.00
Norpac, Inc.	\$ 100.00
Mr. Patrick Cepeda	\$ 100.00
Mr./Mrs. Eric & Antonia Plinske	\$ 50.00
Staywell Saipan	\$ 250.00
TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED	\$ 4,125.00

Signature
12/24/14

COMMITTEE TO ELECT ANGEL A. DEMAPAN
CAMPAIGN FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE

GENERAL CONTRIBUTIONS

GENERAL EXPENDITURES

FULL NAME OF PAYEE	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT				
		Food/ Drinks	Advertising	Supplies	Fees/ Donation	Other
Rosal/Zest Enterprises	Posters		\$ 200.00			
Booya's Local BBQ	Meeting	\$ 73.00				
JRM-ANDER Troop Store	Drinks	\$ 72.85				
Salpan Ice & Water Co, Inc.	Drinks				\$ 125.00	
Joeten	Drinks	\$ 29.88				
Jeanne Ong	Posters		\$ 112.00			
Department of Public Lands	Permit Fee				\$ 100.00	
Marianas Variety	Posters		\$ 137.60			
Nitz Quick Print	Banners/Stickers		\$ 724.94			
Print Lane Printing Press	Banners/Fans		\$ 207.00			
Nitz Quick Print	Door Hangers		\$ 14.61			
Print Lane Printing Press	Calling Cards		\$ 112.35			
Lotus Garden Tours & Travel Center	Shuttle Fee					\$ 20.00
Joeten	Drinks	\$ 29.90				
Café at the Park	Meeting	\$ 43.80				
Shirley's Coffee Shop	Meeting	\$ 61.40				
Agoda Company Pte., Ltd.	Accomodations					\$ 206.00
San Vicente CPU Branch	Postage		\$ 26.46			
Guang Dong Hardware	Billboard Supplies		\$ 491.25			
Guang Dong Hardware	Billboard Supplies		\$ 20.25			
Saipan Tribune	Ad		\$ 125.00			
Harland Clarke	Checks			\$ 29.37		
CFL Association	Donation				\$ 40.00	
Big League All Stars	Donation				\$ 40.00	
Fr. Jesse 7th Year Anniversary	Donation				\$ 50.00	
Guang Dong Hardware	Billboard Supplies		\$ 216.50			
Guang Dong Hardware	Billboard Supplies		\$ 333.00			
Guang Dong Hardware	Billboard Supplies		\$ 265.50			
Guang Dong Hardware	Billboard Supplies		\$ 96.30			
Mt. Carmel Class of 94	Donation				\$ 40.00	
Guang Dong Hardware	Billboard Supplies		\$ 48.80			
Joeten Ace Hardware	Supplies		\$ 33.37			
Lucky De Mart	Drinks	\$ 22.48				
Yaong Corporation	Food	\$ 45.20				
JRM-ANDER Troop Store	Drinks	\$ 129.00				
First Hawaiian Bank	Return Check				\$ 7.00	
CNMI Treasury	Petition Fee				\$ 100.00	
Happy Market	Food/Drinks	\$ 303.56				

Triple J Wholesale	Drinks	\$ 24.75				
JRM-ANDER Troop Store	Drinks	\$ 107.50				
Joeten	Drinks	\$ 49.80				
Marianas Variety	Ad		\$ 263.08			
LZ Market	Drinks	\$ 11.87				
JRM-ANDER Troop Store	Drinks	\$ 86.00				
JRM-ANDER Troop Store	Drinks	\$ 132.45				
Lucky De Mart	Food	\$ 53.97				
Rosal/Zest Enterprises	Flyers		\$ 165.00			
JRM-ANDER Troop Store	Drinks	\$ 107.50				
Shirley's Coffee Shop	Meeting	\$ 125.55				
XO Market	Drinks	\$ 17.90				
JRM-ANDER Troop Store	Drinks	\$ 108.49				
Tropical Instant Press, Inc.	Flyers/Stickers		\$ 520.00			
Rosal/Zest Enterprises	Fans		\$ 140.00			
Delta Airlines	Airfare-Campaign					\$ 1,749.78
Shirley's Coffee Shop	Meeting	\$ 28.35				
Shell	Gas-Campaign					\$ 50.00
Toha Market	Food	\$ 111.96				
JRM-ANDER Troop Store	Drinks	\$ 117.00				
Guang Dong Hardware	Billboard Supplies		\$ 49.50			
Marpac	Donation				\$ 70.00	
Guang Dong Hardware	Billboard Supplies		\$ 80.40			
Happy Market	Food/Drinks	\$ 294.32				
Happy Market	Food/Drinks	\$ 125.86				
David B. Diaz	Donation				\$ 80.00	
Ace Hardware	Billboard Supplies		\$ 19.17			
JRM-ANDER Troop Store	Drinks	\$ 107.50				
JRM-ANDER Troop Store	Drinks	\$ 107.50				
Tropical Instant Press, Inc.	Flyers/Stickers		\$ 230.00			
Guang Dong Hardware	Billboard Supplies		\$ 69.80			
JRM-ANDER Troop Store	Drinks	\$ 107.50				
Rosal/Zest Enterprises	Flyers		\$ 140.00			
Jonathan Arriola	Billboard Supplies		\$ 100.00			
CNMI Softball Association	Donation				\$ 100.00	
Happy Market	Food/Drinks	\$ 157.78				
First Hawaiian Bank	Online Fee				\$ 9.99	
Naked Fish	Meeting	\$ 173.30				
Toha Market	Bags of Ice	\$ 12.00				
UNY Pacific Manufacturing Corp	T-Shirts		\$ 299.07			
UNY Pacific Manufacturing Corp	T-Shirts		\$ 463.45			
Nitz Quick Print	T-Shirts Printing		\$ 390.70			
Friends of Taalabwogh	Advertising		\$ 100.00			
JRM-ANDER Troop Store	Drinks	\$ 107.50				
First Hawaiian Bank	Online Fee				\$ 9.99	
Salpan Tribune	Ad		\$ 125.00			
Salpan Tribune	Ad		\$ 125.00			
Salpan Tribune	Ad		\$ 360.00			
Toha Market	Drinks	\$ 64.90				

JRM-ANDER Troop Store	Drinks	\$ 129.00				
Happy Market	Food/Drinks	\$ 319.00				
Flame Tree TV	Ad		\$ 160.00			
Joe Aldan	Donation				\$ 50.00	
St. Jude Church	Advertising		\$ 135.00			
Flame Tree TV	Ad		\$ 480.00			
Blue Continent Communications	Ad		\$ 500.00			
JRM-ANDER Troop Store	Drinks	\$ 147.00				
Modern Stationary	Supplies			\$ 26.92		
Marianas Variety	Ad		\$ 466.00			
Flame Tree TV	Ad		\$ 160.00			
Tom's Rental	Supplies			\$ 60.00		
Flame Tree TV	Ad		\$ 480.00			
First Hawaiian Bank	Online Fee				\$ 9.99	
Saipan Tribune	Ad		\$ 540.00			
Twins Supermarket	Food	\$ 45.98				
Green Consume Market	Food	\$ 30.17				
JRM-ANDER Troop Store	Drinks	\$ 46.50				
JRM-ANDER Troop Store	Drinks	\$ 181.67				
JRM-ANDER Troop Store	Drinks	\$ 86.59				
JRM-ANDER Troop Store	Drinks	\$ 179.45				
First Hawaiian Bank	Online Fee				\$ 9.99	
Mango Resort	Fee				\$ 120.00	
Happy Market	Drinks/Food	\$ 343.50				
Delta Airlines	Fees				\$ 200.00	
Guang Dong Hardware	Billboard Supplies		\$ 56.60			
Guang Dong Hardware	Billboard Supplies		\$ 56.00			
CityState Tower Hotel	Accomodations					\$ 78.27
JRM-ANDER Troop Store	Drinks	\$ 107.50				
JRM-ANDER Troop Store	Drinks	\$ 131.19				
Rodrick Mangali	Accomodations					\$ 123.00
Rosal/Zest Enterprises	Stickers/Visors		\$ 880.00			
TOTAL EXPENSES		\$ 4,899.87	\$ 10,718.70	\$ 116.29	\$ 1,161.96	\$ 2,227.05

TOTAL GENERAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 19,123.87
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COMMITTEE TO ELECT ANGEL A. DEMAPAN
CAMPAIGN FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE

GENERAL CONTRIBUTIONS

IN-KIND CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED

FULL NAME OF CONTRIBUTOR	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
Committee to Elect Sixto Iglisomar	Rental Car	\$ 330.00

TOTAL IN-KIND CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED	\$ 330.00
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CONTRIBUTED PROPERTY RECEIVED

FULL NAME OF CONTRIBUTOR	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
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None to report.

TOTAL CONTRIBUTED PROPERTY RECEIVED	\$ -
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Seo Anny
12/24/14

**COMMITTEE TO ELECT ANGEL A. DEMAPAN
CAMPAIGN FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE**

GENERAL CONTRIBUTIONS

CONTRIBUTIONS TO OTHER CANDIDATES (EXPENDITURES)

FULL NAME OF PAYEE	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
Committee to Elect Edward Manibusan	Fundraiser Tickets (2 @ \$50)	\$ 100.00
Committee to Elect Joey Patrick San Nicolas	Fundraiser Ticket	\$ 50.00
Committee to Elect Joseph T. Guerrero	Fundraiser Tickets (4 @ \$25)	\$ 100.00
Committee to Elect John Paul Sablan	Fundraiser Tickets (4 @ \$25)	\$ 100.00
Committee to Elect Michael Evangelista	Fundraiser Tickets (4 @ \$30)	\$ 120.00
Committee to Elect Richard Seman	Fundraiser Tickets (4 @ \$25)	\$ 100.00
Vinson F. Sablan	Fundraiser Tickets (2 @ \$40)	\$ 80.00
Committee to Elect Mariano Taitano	Fundraiser Ticket	\$ 40.00
Gregorio M. Sablan, Jr.	Fundraiser Tickets (2 @ \$50)	\$ 100.00
Committee to Elect Antonio Agulto	Fundraiser Tickets (2 @ \$25)	\$ 50.00
Committee to Elect Inos Torress	Fundraiser Tickets (4 @ \$30)	\$ 120.00
Committee to Elect Jose Reyes	Fundraiser Tickets (2 @ \$25)	\$ 50.00
GOP Precinct 3 Candidates	Raffle Tickets	\$ 40.00
Committee to Elect Ralph Demapan	Fundraiser Tickets (6 @ \$20)	\$ 120.00
Committee to Elect Arnold Paiaios	Fundraiser Ticket	\$ 80.00
Committee to Elect Michael Evangelista	Fundraiser Ticket	\$ 35.00
Committee to Elect Francisco Jerome Aldan	Fundraiser Ticket	\$ 35.00
Committee to Elect Joseph Lee Pan Guerrero	Fundraiser Tickets (2 @ \$30)	\$ 60.00
Gregorio M. Sablan, Jr.	Fundraiser Ticket	\$ 75.00
TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS TO OTHER CANDIDATES		\$ 1,455.00

S. Sablan
12/24/14

ATTACHMENT 2



**COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS
CAMPAIGN FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE**

CAMPAIGN STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT - CANDIDATE

2016 ☒ **GENERAL** ☐ **SPECIAL ELECTION**

(Year)

Report Type:

☒ Final Report
☐ Amendment

PUBLIC AUDITOR

SIGNATURE

IMPORTANT: FILE THIS REPORT NOT LATER THAN DECEMBER 28, 2016.
FILE ORIGINAL AND TWO COPIES WITH THE OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC AUDITOR.

This Campaign Statement of Account form is mandatory. Candidates may use the suggested reports and schedules furnished by the Election Commission, or they may use their own detailed formats. Should you use an alternative schedule format, you must provide, at a minimum, detailed information as required in the Act.

Candidate Name (Last Name, First Name, MI): Demapan, Angel A.		Office Sought: Representative	
Treasurer Name (Last Name, First Name, MI): DelaCruz, GERALYN C.		Preferred Mailing (P.O. Box) Address: P.O. Box 7208 SVRB, Saipan, MP	Telephone: 670-989-3362

	CASH	IN KIND
1. BALANCE CARRIED FORWARD FROM PREVIOUS ELECTION(S)	\$0.00	\$0.00
ADD: RECEIPTS THIS ELECTION PERIOD		
2. RECEIPTS FROM FUNDRAISING EVENTS	\$24,097.00	\$1,477.45
3. MULTI-CANDIDATE CONTRIBUTIONS	\$0.00	\$0.00
4. RECEIPTS FROM GENERAL CONTRIBUTIONS	\$220.00	\$0.00
5. OTHER RECEIPTS	\$0.00	\$0.00
6. TOTAL AVAILABLE (Add Lines 1 through 5)	\$24,317.00	\$1,477.45
LESS: DISBURSEMENTS THIS ELECTION PERIOD		
7. DISBURSEMENTS FOR FUNDRAISING EVENTS	\$3,095.33	\$1,477.45
8. MULTI-CANDIDATE EXPENSES	\$0.00	\$0.00
9. DISBURSEMENTS FOR GENERAL EXPENDITURES	\$21,356.95	\$0.00
10. OTHER DISBURSEMENTS	\$0.00	\$0.00
11. TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS (Add Lines 7 through 10)	\$24,452.28	\$1,477.45
12. EXCESS (SHORTFALL) OF RECEIPTS OVER DISBURSEMENTS (Subtract Line 11 from Line 6)	(\$135.28)	\$0.00

VERIFICATION

Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands }
Island of Saipan } S.S.
I, Angel A. Demapan being duly sworn on oath, depose and say:
(Candidate)

That I am the individual named above; that I prepared the foregoing Campaign Statement of Account; that I have used all reasonable diligence in preparing this Statement; and that the contents thereof, including the contents of all supporting attachments, are true, full and explicit accounting of all contributions received and expenses incurred in aid of the campaign. I understand that providing false information herein may subject me to civil and criminal penalties as provided by the Northern Mariana Islands Election Reform Act of 2000, 1 CMC §6426.

[Signature]
Signature of Candidate

01/10/17
Date (Month, Day, Year)

Subscribed and sworn before me this 10th day of January, 2017.

[Signature]
Signature of Notary Public

MICHELLE A. CAMACHO
PUBLIC NOTARY, Saipan, MP 96950-0001
Notary Public

My Commission Expires 4/10/17

Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands }
Island of Saipan } S.S.
I, GERALYN C. DelaCruz being duly sworn on oath, depose and say:
(Treasurer)

That I am the individual named above; that the foregoing Campaign Statement of Account, and the contents thereof, including the contents of all supporting attachments, are true, full and explicit accounting of all contributions received and expenses incurred in aid of the campaign. I understand that providing false information herein may subject me to civil and criminal penalties as provided by the Northern Mariana Islands Election Reform Act of 2000, 1 CMC §6426.

[Signature]
Signature of Treasurer

01/10/17
Date (Month, Day, Year)

Subscribed and sworn before me this 10th day of January, 2017.

[Signature]
Signature of Notary Public

MICHELLE A. CAMACHO
PUBLIC NOTARY, Saipan, MP 96950-0001
Notary Public

My Commission Expires 4/10/17

COMMITTEE TO RE-ELECT ANGEL A. DEMAPAN
CAMPAIGN FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE

FUNDRAISING EVENT REPORT

May 26, 2016

SUMMARY OF FUNDRAISING RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

RECEIPTS	CASH	IN-KIND
GROSS PROCEEDS FROM FUNDRAISING EVENTS	\$ 24,097.00	
IN-KIND CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED		\$ 1,477.45
CONTRIBUTED PROPERTY RECEIVED		
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$ 24,097.00	\$ 1,477.45

DISBURSEMENTS	CASH	IN-KIND
FUNDRAISING EXPENSES	\$ 3,095.33	
ADJUSTMENT FOR IN-KIND CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED		\$ 1,477.45
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	\$ 3,095.33	\$ 1,477.45

NET RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS	\$ 21,001.67	\$ -
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**COMMITTEE TO RE-ELECT ANGEL A. DEMAPAN
CAMPAIGN FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE**

FUNDRAISING EVENT REPORT

May 26, 2016

GROSS PROCEEDS AND EXPENSES FROM FUNDRAISING EVENT

RESULT SUMMARY	
TOTAL CASH PROCEEDS FROM INDIVIDUALS WHO CONTRIBUTED LESS THAN \$500	\$ 12,197.00
TOTAL CASH PROCEEDS FROM INDIVIDUALS WHO CONTRIBUTED MORE THAN \$500	
TOTAL CASH PROCEEDS FROM FUNDRAISING EVENT	\$ 12,197.00
TOTAL FUNDRAISING EXPENSES	\$ 255.33
NET CASH PROCEEDS	\$ 11,941.67

SECTION 1. NAMES OF CONTRIBUTORS WITH \$500 OR MORE TOTAL AGGREGATE CONTRIBUTIONS

FULL NAME OF CONTRIBUTOR	AMOUNT
Mr. Tao Xing	\$ 600.00
TOTAL PROCEEDS OF CONTRIBUTIONS	\$ 600.00

COMMITTEE TO RE-ELECT ANGEL A. DEMAPAN
CAMPAIGN FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE

FUNDRAISING EVENT REPORT

May 26, 2016

SECTION 2. FUNDRAISING EXPENSES

FULL NAME OF PAYEE	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT		
		Food/Drinks	Advertising	Supplies
Marianas Variety	Fundraiser Tickets		\$ 92.78	
Marianas Variety	Fundraiser Tickets		\$ 92.78	
U's II	20 bags ice		\$ 30.00	
New Chang Ming Market	Soy Sauce		\$ 6.77	
New Chang Ming Market	22 bags ice		\$ 33.00	
FUNDRAISING EXPENSES		\$ -	\$ 255.33	\$ -
TOTAL FUNDRAISING EXPENSES		\$ 255.33		

FULL NAME OF CONTRIBUTOR	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
TOTAL CONTRIBUTED PROPERTY RECEIVED		\$ -

**COMMITTEE TO RE-ELECT ANGEL A. DEMAPAN
CAMPAIGN FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE**

FUNDRAISING EVENT REPORT

August 22, 2016

GROSS PROCEEDS AND EXPENSES FROM FUNDRAISING EVENT

RESULT SUMMARY	
TOTAL CASH PROCEEDS FROM INDIVIDUALS WHO CONTRIBUTED LESS THAN \$500	\$ 4,900.00
TOTAL CASH PROCEEDS FROM INDIVIDUALS WHO CONTRIBUTED MORE THAN \$500	\$ 7,000.00
TOTAL CASH PROCEEDS FROM FUNDRAISING EVENT	\$ 11,900.00
TOTAL FUNDRAISING EXPENSES	\$ 2,840.00
NET CASH PROCEEDS	\$ 9,060.00

SECTION 2. NAMES OF CONTRIBUTORS WITH \$500 OR MORE TOTAL AGGREGATE CONTRIBUTIONS	
FULL NAME OF CONTRIBUTOR	AMOUNT
Marianan Consultancy Services	\$ 500.00
J.C. Tenorio Enterprises, Inc.	\$ 1,500.00
Salpan Globe International, LTD	\$ 1,000.00
Mr. Alex Saplan	\$ 500.00
Honest Profit	\$ 500.00
Skywalker Communications	\$ 1,000.00
Mr. Victor B. Horog	\$ 500.00
Imperial Pacific International (CNMI), LLC	\$ 1,000.00
Ms. Viola Alepuyo	\$ 500.00
TOTAL PROCEEDS OF CONTRIBUTIONS	\$ 7,000.00

FULL NAME OF PAYEE	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT		
		Food/Drinks	Advertising	Supplies
Rosal Zest	Fundraiser Tickets		\$ 90.00	
Pacific Islands Club	Banquet Fee	\$ 2,750.00		
FUNDRAISING EXPENSES		\$ 2,750.00	\$ 90.00	\$ -
TOTAL FUNDRAISING EXPENSES		\$ 2,840.00		

FULL NAME OF CONTRIBUTOR	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
TOTAL CONTRIBUTED PROPERTY RECEIVED		\$ -

COMMITTEE TO RE-ELECT ANGEL A. DEMAPAN
CAMPAIGN FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE

GENERAL CONTRIBUTIONS AND EXPENSE REPORT

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

RECEIPTS	CASH	IN KIND
MONETARY CONTRIBUTIONS FROM NON FUNDRAISING EVENTS	\$ 220.00	
IN-KIND CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED		\$ -
CONTRIBUTED PROPERTY RECEIVED		
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$ 220.00	\$ -

DISBURSEMENTS	CASH	IN KIND
GENERAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 19,331.95	
CONTRIBUTIONS TO OTHER CANDIDATES	\$ 2,025.00	
ADJUSTMENT FOR IN-KIND CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED		\$ -
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	\$ 21,356.95	\$ -

NET RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS	\$ (21,136.95)	\$ -
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COMMITTEE TO RE-ELECT ANGEL A. DEMAPAN
CAMPAIGN FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE

COMMITTEE TO RE-ELECT ANGEL A. DEMAPAN
CAMPAIGN FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE

GENERAL CONTRIBUTIONS

GENERAL EXPENDITURES

FULL NAME OF PAYEE	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT				
		Food/ Drinks	Advertising	Supplies	Fees/ Donation	Other
CNMI Treasury	Charter Fee				\$ 30.00	
Tropical Instant Press	20 bumper stickers		\$ 160.00			
Rosal/Zest Enterprises	4x8 banner		\$ 208.00			
JRM-ANDER SAIPAN TROOP STORE	Beer & soda	\$ 150.77				
Salapan Apparel Printing	Committee Shirts		\$ 465.00			
Mrs. Ana Maratita	tbl. Fundraiser Tickets				\$ 30.00	
Mrs. Catherine Reyes	tbl. Fundraiser Tickets				\$ 30.00	
Bank of Saipan	Committee Checks			\$ 19.92		
Joeten Susupe Shopping Center	Leggings	\$ 150.83				
Gungahong	Lunch, etc.		\$ 500.00			
Mo Concepcion DePata	Stickers/Banners		\$ 300.00			
CNMI Treasury	Phone Exp.				\$ 100.00	
JRM-ANDER SAIPAN TROOP STORE	Beer	\$ 120.00				
JRM-ANDER SAIPAN TROOP STORE	Beer	\$ 125.00				
Nancy Market As Lito	Pocket meeting	\$ 28.25				
Happy Market As Lito	Tablet Betty	\$ 124.14				
Mr. Ruben Canacho	Under Wear Softball				\$ 150.00	
Salapan Apparel Printing	Campaign Shirts		\$ 1,524.00			
Boingdong	Lunch, etc.		\$ 250.00			
Boingdong	Lunch		\$ 200.00			
Terle Home Fundraiser	Fundraiser				\$ 20.00	
LEAD	Pl. Trip		\$ 1,500.00			
Tehavira Williams	Fundraiser				\$ 40.00	
Benito In Benchi	Fundraiser				\$ 60.00	
Beni Cohen	Staples			\$ 100.00		
JRM-ANDER SAIPAN TROOP STORE	Beer	\$ 125.00				
Nathaniel P. Schlan	Fundraiser				\$ 100.00	
Mary Ann Variety	Inc. - Online		\$ 105.20			
Toni's Bionai	T-shirt				\$ 80.00	
Chill - Kaitiyan Party	Online Fundraiser				\$ 100.00	
Santa Roseville Church	Online Fundraiser				\$ 100.00	
Proprietor's House	Stickers		\$ 125.00			
Estelma Maratita	Ads		\$ 299.50			
Yia Communication Cellow	Stickers		\$ 400.00			
Yia Yia Communication	Project meeting	\$ 35.25				
JRM-ANDER SAIPAN TROOP STORE	Drinks	\$ 289.55				
Mrs. Concepcion DePata	Cups		\$ 150.00			
Joeten Susupe Enterprises	Food	\$ 310.85				
Joeten Susupe	Fundraiser				\$ 75.00	
Joeten Susupe	Fundraiser				\$ 125.00	
Joeten Susupe Shopping Center	Food	\$ 40.22				
Sai Maria Church	Donation - Rosary				\$ 100.00	
Yia Yia Communication	Pocket meeting	\$ 250.04				
Tropical Instant Press	Stickers		\$ 80.00			
Joeten Susupe Enterprises	JRM-DePata				\$ 36.00	
Joeten Susupe P. DePata	Stickers		\$ 500.00			
Joeten Susupe of Commerce	Hydram				\$ 200.00	
JRM-ANDER SAIPAN TROOP STORE	Beer	\$ 250.00				
Tropical Instant Press	Stickers		\$ 50.00			
Joeten Susupe & Marian	Video Production		\$ 400.00			
Joeten Susupe	Donation				\$ 50.00	
Yia Yia Communication	Project meeting	\$ 275.00				
Joeten Susupe	Food Betty	\$ 160.86				
Joeten Susupe	Project meeting					\$ 466.50

COMMITTEE TO RE-ELECT ANGEL A. DEMAPAN
CAMPAIGN FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE

GENERAL CONTRIBUTIONS

CONTRIBUTIONS TO OTHER CANDIDATES (EXPENDITURES)

FULL NAME OF PAYEE	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
Sixto K. Igisomar	Fundraiser Ticket(1 @ \$100)	\$ 100.00
Edwin Aldan	Fundraiser Ticket(1 @ \$100)	\$ 100.00
Committee to Re-elect Joseph Leepan Guerrero	Fundraiser Tickets (4 @ \$25)	\$ 100.00
Ivan Blanco	Fundraiser Tickets (5 @ \$20)	\$ 100.00
Sixto K. Igisomar	Fundraiser Tickets (2 @ \$30)	\$ 60.00
Frank Aguon	Fundraiser Tickets (4 @ \$25)	\$ 100.00
Janet Maratita	Fundraiser Ticket(1 @ \$100)	\$ 100.00
Joseph Deleon Guerrero	Fundraiser Ticket(2 @ \$100)	\$ 200.00
Luis John DLG. Castro	Fundraiser Ticket (1 @ \$75)	\$ 75.00
Antonio P. Sablan	Fundraiser Ticket(1 @ \$100)	\$ 100.00
Committee to Re-elect Demapan/Sablan		\$ 100.00
Gregorio Sablan Jr.	Fundraiser Tickets (10 @ \$20)	\$ 200.00
Committee to Re-elect Joseph Leepan Guerrero	Fundraiser Tickets (4 @ \$25)	\$ 100.00
Sixto K. Igisomar		\$ 100.00
Jose Itibus		\$ 50.00
Frank DelaCruz		\$ 100.00
Gregorio Sablan Jr.		\$ 100.00
Janet Maratita		\$ 100.00
Alice Igitol		\$ 100.00
George Camacho		\$ 40.00

TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS TO OTHER CANDIDATES	\$ 2,025.00
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ATTACHMENT 3

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IMPERIAL PACIFIC INTERNATIONAL (CNMI), LLC
 3rd Floor, Bank of Guam Building, Garapan, Saipan MP 96950
 Tel: +1670 233 9188

MEMORANDUM

Date: July 27, 2016

To: Mark A. Brown, Chief Executive Officer
 Kwong Yiu Ling, Chief Operating Officer
 Vic Choi, Chief Compliance Officer, General Counsel
 Tao Xing, Chief Services Officer
 Robin Liu, Chief Financial Advisor
 Richard Chan, Senior Property CFO
 Viola Alepuyo, Senior Vice President, Legal

From: Board of Directors, Imperial Pacific International (CNMI), LLC

Subject: *Company Policy on Donations for the Community and for Candidates for Public Office*

OBJECTIVES

- To uphold the integrity of Imperial Pacific International (CNMI), LLC and continuous compliance with local and federal laws and regulations
- To support proper and effective application of the Company's resources

MISSION

- To maintain consistency in management of company resources
- To apply company resources in a fair manner to the party candidates, CNMI community and individuals
- To safeguard against potential negative publicity

POLICY

Departments and personnel must submit all requests for donation for legal review to ensure compliance with local and federal laws and regulations and Company policies.

Senior Vice President, Legal, Viola Alepuyo, has full authority to provide legal review and approval.

Financial Officer, Robin Liu, shall record, monitor and sign to affirm approved donations and to provide regular management report.

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APPENDIX OF APPROVED DONATION RULES

Subject: 2016 Public Offices Election - Donation to Candidates

Governor/Lt. Governor	US\$3,000
Delegate	US\$2,000
Senator	US\$2,000
House of Representative	US\$1,000
Mayor	US\$1,000
All Others Public Offices	US\$500

Effective immediately.