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FIRST CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION  
OF THE TERRITORY OF GUAM

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Fortieth General Session - 15 June 1970

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Minutes of the Fortieth General Session

The Fortieth General Session of the First Constitutional Convention of the Territory of Guam convened at Convention Headquarters on June 15, 1970 at 7:30 p.m. Mr. Antonio M. Palomo, President of the Constitutional Convention, presided.

PRAYER

The Chaplain offered the following prayer:

"In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen. Let us pray . . . Almighty and Eternal Father, God of our creation, humbly we pray you to send your Holy Spirit that he may come into our hearts, there to teach us what to do, and to what our deliberations ought to tend. Grant us patience, kindness, and above all, the charity we need to accept the diverse opinions and thoughts that will arise among us this evening. Assist us to discern well what is good and beneficial to the task before us, so that from the diversity of our ideas what we aim to accomplish be filled with that kind of proposal which bespeaks unity and harmony so necessary for our continued growth and development as Americans. Through Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior, Amen. In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen."

ROLL CALL AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By direction of the President, the roll was called and the following delegates responded:

Rufo L. Calvo	Franklin J. Quitugua	Antonio M. Palomo
David S. Terlaje	Betty S. Guerrero	Adrian C. Sanchez
Jose C. Quintanilla	Lorenzo T. Siguenza	Joseph F. Ada
Charles F. Toves	William A. Flores	Tomas T. Agnon
Pedro A.E. Manibusan	Jose T. Barcinas	Juan C. Blas
Joaquin G. Blaz	Gregorio M. Borja	Francisco B. Agnon
Jose L. Cepeda	Joseph B. Cruz	

Absent:

Tomas F. Mendiola	Enrique L.G. Untalan	Frank G. Lujan
Howard G. Trapp	Jose M. Garrido	Jose S. Lizama
Joe Hodeloy	Jose P. San Nicolas	James S. Brooks
Jose B. Santos	Malcolm H. Merrill, Jr.	Robert E. Leon Guerrero
Vicente M. Angono	Theodore Nelson	Antonio A. Calvo
Jesus S. Camacho	Jose R. Rivera	Lorenzo C. Leon Guerrero
Pilar C. Lujan	Francisco R. Santos	
Joe T. San Agustin	Joaquin V. E. Manibusan	

Excused: Joe T. San Agustin, Enrique D.G. Untalan, Jose R. Rivera.

A quorum was present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved, seconded and carried that the minutes of the Thirty-Ninth General Session be approved.

COMMUNICATIONS

There were none.

INTRODUCTION OF PROPOSITIONS & RESOLUTIONS & REFERENCES TO COMMITTEE

There were none.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Mr. President reported that the Executive Committee met at noon today and would like to recommend that all business be taken care of tonight in order to allow the staff to prepare the final report.

PROPOSITIONS ON THIRD READING

Resolution No. 17-B

Mr. David S. Terlaje moved that Resolution No. 17-B be introduced by all delegates. No second, motion defeated.

Mr. President put the question whether the Convention would agree to final passage of Resolution No. 17-B and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of the delegates elected to the Convention and present voting in favor thereof.

Resolution No. 17-B was duly adopted.

PROPOSITION NO. 63

Mr. President noted that the motion to delete Section 7 of Proposition No. 63 was pending. (Thirty-Ninth General Session) Discussion held thereon.

Mr. President put the question whether the Convention would agree to said motion and it was determined in the negative, a majority of the delegates elected to the Convention and present not voting in favor thereof. Discussion continued.

Mr. Benito C. Sanchez moved to place said proposition in the inactive file. No second, motion defeated.



Mr. President put the question whether the Convention would agree to the advancement of said proposition and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of the delegates elected to the Convention and present voting in favor thereof. (Thirty-Ninth General Session).

Resolution Nos. 20, 22, 24

Mr. Jose C. Quintanilla moved to amend said resolutions as follows:

Resolution No. 20 - Lines 19 and 20, strike out the words "Honorable Carlos Canacho".

Resolution No. 22 - Lines 12 and 13, strike out the words "the Honorable Antonio B. Woa Pat".

Resolution No. 24 - Line 15, strike out the words "the Honorable Walter J. Hickel".-

Motion seconded and discussion held thereon. Mr. Quintanilla withdrew his motion.

Mr. Jose C. Quintanilla moved to suspend the rules to place all resolutions (18-59) on the order of third reading for immediate voting. Second.

Mr. President put the question whether the Convention would agree to said motion and it was determined in the affirmative, by unanimous consent.

Mr. President put the question whether the Convention would agree to the final passage of Resolution Nos. 18 through 59 and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of the delegates elected to the Convention and present voting in favor thereof.

Resolution Nos. 18 through 59 were duly adopted.

RECESS

On motion of Mr. Gregorio M. Borja, and by unanimous consent, the Convention recessed for fifteen minutes.

The session reconvened at 8:30 p.m.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

No one exercised the privilege of the floor.

COMMITTEE NOTICES

Mr. President announced that the Executive Committee will meet at noon on Wednesday, June 17, 1970, at Convention Headquarters.

Proposition No. 63

Mr. Borja moved to suspend the rules to return Proposition No. 63 to the order of second reading. Seconded.

Mr. President put the question whether the Convention would agree to said motion and it was determined in the affirmative, by unanimous consent. Discussion held on Proposition No. 63.

Mr. Juan G. Blas moved to amend said proposition as follows:

Delete Section 7 entirely. Seconded and discussion held thereon.

Mr. President put the question whether the Convention would agree to said motion and it was determined in the negative, a majority of the delegates elected to the Convention and present not voting in favor thereof.

Mr. Joaquin G. Blas moved to amend Section 3 of said proposition as follows: Strike out entire Section 3 and insert -

"Page 1, lines 14 through 17, delete entirely.  
Page 1, line 18, strike out the word "indebtedness" and insert 'No public indebtedness of Guam shall be authorized except with the approval of the majority of the votes cast in an election called to consider such indebtedness'." Seconded and discussion held thereon.

Mr. President put the question whether the Convention would agree to said motion and it was determined in the negative, a majority of the delegates elected to the Convention and present not voting in favor thereof.

Mr. Adrian C. Sanchez moved to place said proposition on the order of third reading. Second.

Mr. Ruffo L. Calvo moved to suspend the rules to vote on said proposition. Objection, motion defeated.

Mr. Francisco B. Aguon moved to recess until Wednesday, June 17, 1970. Motion seconded.

Mr. President put the question whether the Convention would agree to said motion and it was determined in the negative, a majority of the delegates elected to the Convention and present voting in favor thereof.

Mr. Gregorio M. Borja moved to suspend the rules to permit the staff to take action on sections 4 and 5 of Proposition No. 63 in regards to the final report. Objection, motion defeated.

Mr. President put the question whether the Convention would agree to the advancement of Proposition No. 63 and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of the delegates elected to the Convention and present voting in favor thereof.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Mr. Gregorio M. Borja, and by unanimous consent, the session adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

Leonotia J. Miller, Recorder

APPROVED BY:



ANTONIO M. PALOMO, PRESIDENT



BETTY S. GUERRERO, SECRETARY