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**PUBLIC NOTICE OF ADOPTION FOR PUBLIC COMMENT OF PROPOSED  
RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE COMMONWEALTH CASINO  
COMMISSION**

**INTENDED ACTION TO ADOPT THESE PROPOSED RULES AND REGULATIONS:** The Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, Commonwealth Casino Commission (“the Commission”) intends to adopt as permanent regulations the attached Proposed Regulations, pursuant to the procedures of the Administrative Procedure Act, 1 CMC § 9104(a). The Regulations would become effective 10 days after adoption and publication in the Commonwealth Register. (1 CMC § 9105(b))

**AUTHORITY:** The Commission has the authority to adopt rules and regulations in furtherance of its duties and responsibilities pursuant to Public Laws 18-56 and Public Law 19-24, including but not limited to 4 CMC 2314(b).

**THE TERMS AND SUBSTANCE:** The attached Rules and Regulations supplement the current regulations which govern and regulate the Casino Gaming Industry on Saipan. The amendments add in-house legal counsel, however styled, to the definition of “casino key employee” which require licensure, and increase from 90 to 120 days the time for filing certain financial statements.

**THE SUBJECTS AND ISSUES INVOLVED:** These rules and regulations:

1. Amend §175-10.1-040(q) to include the chief legal officer and all other in-house legal counsel, without regard to whether the individual supervises other individuals, in the definition of “casino key employee”.
2. Amend §175-10.1-535(b),(e),(f), and (g) to increase the time for filing certain financial statements by thirty (30) days.

**DIRECTIONS FOR FILING AND PUBLICATION:** These Proposed Regulations shall be published in the Commonwealth Register in the section on proposed and newly adopted regulations (1 CMC § 9102(a)(1)) and posted in convenient places in the civic center and in local government offices in each senatorial district; the notice shall be both in English and in the principal vernacular. (1 CMC § 9104(a)(1)).

**TO PROVIDE COMMENTS:** Send or deliver your comments to Commonwealth Casino Commission, *Attn: New Casino Commission Rules and Regulations*, at the above address, fax or email address, with the subject line "New Casino Commission Rules and Regulations". Comments are due within 30 days from the date of publication of this notice. Please submit your data, views or arguments. (1 CMC § 9104(a)(2)).

The Commonwealth Casino Commission approved the attached Regulations on April 26, 2018.

Submitted by:   
JUAN M. SABLAN  
Chairman of the Commission

May 21, 2018  
Date

Concurred by:   
HON. RALPH DLG. TORRES  
Governor

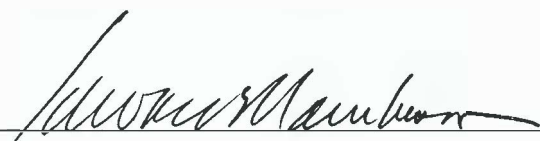
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Filed and Recorded by:   
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Commonwealth Registrar

06.18.2018  
Date

Pursuant to 1 CMC § 2153(e) (AG approval of regulations to be promulgated as to form) and 1 CMC § 9104(a)(3) (obtain AG approval) the proposed regulations attached hereto have been reviewed and approved as to form and legal sufficiency by the CNMI Attorney General and shall be published, 1 CMC § 2153(f) (publication of rules and regulations).

Dated the 14 day of June, 2018.

  
HON. EDWARD MANIBUSAN  
Attorney General