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The Honorable Donald M. Manglona
Chairman
Rota Legislative Delegation
Twenty-Third Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature
Saipan, MP 96950

The Honorable Edmund S. Villagomez
Speaker
House of Representatives
Twenty-Third Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature
Saipan, MP 96950

Dear Mr. Chairman and Mr. Speaker:

This is to inform you that I have signed into law **House Local Bill No. 23-41**, entitled "To allow for re-programming of funds previously appropriated by Rota Local Law 23-01 to facilitate the renovation of the Rota Guest House Facility in Fina Sisu.", which was passed by the Rota Legislative Delegation of the Twenty-Third Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature.

This Bill becomes **Rota Local Law 23-12**. Copies bearing my signature are forwarded for your reference.

Sincerely,


ARNOLD I. PALACIOS
Governor

cc: Lieutenant Governor; Attorney General; Commonwealth Law Revision Commission;
Special Assistant for Administration; Public Auditor; Secretary of Finance;
Mayor of Rota; Programs and Legislative Review Office



ROTA LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION
First Senatorial District
Twenty-Third Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature

Senator Donald M. Manglona, Chairman
Representative Julie Marie A. Ogo, Vice Chair

Senator Dennis James C. Mendiola, Floor Leader
Senator Paul A. Manglona, Legislative Secretary

June 13, 2024

The Honorable Arnold I. Palacios
Governor
Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands
Honorable Juan A. Sablan Memorial Building
Capitol Hill
Saipan, MP 96950

Dear Governor Palacios:

I am honored to transmit for your action **House Local Bill No. 23-41**, entitled, "To allow for re-programming of funds previously appropriated by Rota Local Law 23-01 to facilitate the renovation of the Rota Guest House Facility in Fina Sisu.", which was passed unanimously by the Rota Legislative Delegation, Twenty-Third Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature on its Final Reading, a quorum duly present during its First Day, First Special Session held on June 4, 2024.

Respectfully submitted,


Frances Joan P. Kaipat
Delegation Clerk

Enclosure





**ROTA LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION
FIRST SENATORIAL DISTRICT
TWENTY-THIRD NORTHERN MARIANAS COMMONWEALTH LEGISLATURE
FIRST SPECIAL SESSION, 2024**

HOUSE LOCAL BILL NO. 23-41

**A LOCAL APPROPRIATION BILL FOR AN ACT
FOR THE FIRST SENATORIAL DISTRICT**

To allow for re-programming of funds previously appropriated by Rota Local Law 23-01 to facilitate the renovation of the Rota Guest House Facility in Fina Sisu.

OFFERED BY

Representative Julie Marie A. Ogo

Prefiled and Introduced on February 16, 2024

HOUSE ACTION

Transmitted to Rota Legislative Delegation for action on
February 16, 2024

DELEGATION ACTION

Referred to:	None
Comments Solicited:	2/16/24: Mayor of Rota [Del. Matters 23-39] & 19 th Rota Municipal Council [Del. Matters 23-40]
Comments Received:	6/4/24: Public Comments (Honorable Mayor Aubry M. Hocog)
Standing Committee Report:	None
Passed Final Reading:	June 4, 2024


Frances Joan P. Kaipat
Delegation Clerk



**ROTA LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION
FIRST SENATORIAL DISTRICT
TWENTY-THIRD NORTHERN MARIANAS COMMONWEALTH LEGISLATURE**

THIRD REGULAR SESSION, 2023

H. L. B. NO. 23-41

**A LOCAL APPROPRIATION BILL FOR AN ACT
FOR THE FIRST SENATORIAL DISTRICT**

To allow for re-programming of funds previously appropriated by Rota Local Law 23-01 to facilitate the renovation of the Rota Guest House Facility in Fina Sisú.

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE FIRST SENATORIAL DISTRICT DELEGATION PURSUANT TO
CHAPTER 4, DIVISION 1, TITLE 1 OF THE COMMONWEALTH CODE:**

1 **SECTION 1. PURPOSE.**

2 The purpose of this Act is to reappropriate funds originally appropriated by RLL 23-01 to
3 allow the Municipality of Rota via the Mayor of Rota to reprogram up to \$40,000.00 from the
4 funds already appropriated to the First Senatorial District that have been identified by the
5 Commonwealth Economic Development Authority as available for appropriation to facilitate the
6 renovation of the Rota Guest House Facility in Fina Sisú.

7 **SECTION 2. APPROPRIATION AND REPROGRAMMING AUTHORITY.**

8 Notwithstanding any provisions of law, statutes, rules or regulations to the contrary, the
9 Rota Legislative Delegation hereby authorizes the appropriation and reprogramming of
10 \$40,000.00 of the Earned Bond Interest Income collected for the First Senatorial District, that has

1 been identified by the Commonwealth Economic Development Authority as available for
2 appropriation and already appropriated by Rota Local Law 23-01.

3 **SECTION 3. EXPENDITURE AUTHORITY.**

4 The expenditure authority of the funds appropriated in Section 2 shall be the Mayor of
5 Rota.

6 **SECTION 4. REPROGRAMMING AUTHORIZATION.**

7 Funds appropriated under this act shall be available to be reprogrammed for any other
8 purpose up to \$40,000.00. Notwithstanding any provision of law, the projects funded under this
9 Act shall be without fiscal year limitation.

10 **SECTION 5. SEVERABILITY.**

11 If any provision of this Act or the application of any such provision to any person or
12 circumstance should be held invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of this Act
13 or the application of its provisions to persons or circumstances other than those to which it is held
14 invalid shall not be affected thereby.

15 **SECTION 6. SAVINGS CLAUSE.**

16 This Act and any repealer contained herein shall not be construed as affecting any existing
17 right acquired under contract or acquired under statutes repealed or under any rule, regulation or
18 order adopted under the statutes. Repealers contained in this Act shall not affect any proceeding
19 instituted under or pursuant to prior law. The enactment of the Act shall not have the effect of
20 terminating, or in any way modifying, any liability, civil or criminal, which shall already be in
21 existence on the date this Act becomes effective.

HOUSE LOCAL BILL NO. 23-41

1 SECTION 7. EFFECTIVE DATE.

2 This Act shall take effect upon its approval by the Governor or it becoming law without
3 such approval.

CERTIFIED BY:



Donald M. Mangiona
Chairman
Rota Legislative Delegation



Edmund S. Villagomez
Speaker
23rd House of Representatives

Approved this 28th day of June, 2024.



Arnold I. Palacios
Governor
Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands