The Honorable John Paul P. Sablan  
Chairman  
Saipan and Northern Islands Legislative Delegation  
Twenty-First Northern Marianas  
Commonwealth Legislature  
Saipan, MP 96950

The Honorable Blas Jonathan “BJ” T. Attao  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Twenty-First 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. 21-33**, entitled, “To amend the Saipan Zoning Law of 2013, codified as 10 CMC §3511; and for other purposes.”, which was passed by the Saipan and Northern Islands Legislative Delegation of the Twenty-First Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature.

This bill becomes **Saipan Local Law No. 21-11**. Copies bearing my signature are forwarded for your reference.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

RALPH DLG. TORRES  
Governor

cc: Lt. Governor; Press Secretary; Mayor of Saipan; Saipan Zoning Board; Commonwealth Law Revision; Special Assistant for Administration; Special Assistant for Programs & Legislative Review
November 12, 2019

Honorable Ralph DLG. Torres
Governor
Commonwealth of the Northern
    Mariana Islands
Saipan, MP 96950

Dear Governor Torres:

I am honored to transmit for your action House Local Bill No. 21-33 entitled,

    "To amend the Saipan Zoning Law of 2013, codified as 10 CMC §3511."

The local bill was passed unanimously by the Saipan and Northern Islands Legislative Delegation of the Twenty-First Northern Mariana Islands Commonwealth Legislature on First and Final Reading, a quorum duly present, during its Third Day, Second Regular Session held on November 12, 2019.

Sincerely,

Frances Joan P. Kaipat
Delegation Clerk

Enclosures
SAIPAN AND NORTHERN ISLANDS LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION
TWENTY-FIRST NORTHERN MARIANAS COMMONWEALTH LEGISLATURE
SECOND REGULAR SESSION, 2019

HOUSE LOCAL BILL NO. 21-33

A LOCAL BILL FOR AN ACT
FOR THE THIRD SENATORIAL DISTRICT

To amend the Saipan Zoning Law of 2013, codified as 10 CMC §3511.

Offered by
Representatives John Paul P. Sablan, Roman C. Benavente, and Ralph N. Yumul.

on
October 10, 2019

HOUSE ACTION
Transmitted to Saipan and Northern Islands Legislative Delegation for action on
November 5, 2019

DELEGATION ACTION

Refereed To: None

Comments Solicited: Mayor of Saipan; Mayor of Northern Islands; Chairman,
SNI Municipal Council (11/5/19)

Comments Received: Mayor of Saipan; [11/6/19 - ref. Mayor’s Comm. 21-23]

Standing Committee Report: None

Passed First & Final Reading: November 12, 2019

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

SECTION 1. FINDINGS AND PURPOSE.

The Saipan and Northern Islands Legislative Delegation find that it is appropriate to
rezone certain districts that the Commonwealth Zoning Board has recommended for rezoning
pursuant to Saipan and Northern Islands Legislative Delegation Resolution No. 16-2, D1,
entitled “To affirm the authority of the Saipan Zoning Board under the Commonwealth Zoning
Code to make determinations on zoning district boundary changes.” The Commonwealth
Zoning Board has held a public hearing with respect to the district rezones listed below and has
transmitted its recommendations, based on the evidence presented at the hearing, to the
Delegation. The Delegation agrees that rezoning these areas is in the best interests of the
community.

SECTION 2. AMENDMENT.

This Act amends the Official Saipan Zoning Map, dated July 15, 2013 of the Saipan
Zoning Law of 2013. The amended sheet, listed below showing the rezoned district, is
attached hereto and replaces the prior version of this sheet as part of the appendix to the Saipan Zoning Law of 2013:

**Saipan Official Zoning Map Sheet 26 of 29:** Tract # TR 21863-13, TR 21863NEW-R1, TR 21863-12, TR22900, and Lot # 005 K 01 from “Village Commercial (VC)” zoning district to “Mixed Commercial (MC)” zoning district.

**SECTION 3. SEVERABILITY.**

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

**SECTION 4. SAVINGS CLAUSE.**

This Act and any repealer contained herein shall not be construed as affecting any existing right acquired under contract or acquired under statutes repealed or under any rule, regulation or order adopted under the statutes. Repealers contained in this Act shall not affect any proceeding instituted under or pursuant to prior law. The enactment of the Act shall not have the effect of terminating, or in any way modifying, any liability, civil or criminal, which shall already be in existence on the date this Act becomes effective.
SECTION 5. EFFECTIVE DATE.

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

CERTIFIED BY:

JOHN PAUL P. SABLAN  
Chairman  
Saipan & Northern Islands  
Legislative Delegation

BLAS JONATHAN “BJ” T. ATTAO  
Speaker  
House of Representatives

Approved on this 19th day of December, 2019.

RALPH DLG. TORRES  
Governor  
Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands