



PARLIAMENT OF SINT MAARTEN
Monday, January 24, 2022, Public Meeting no. 08
Voting list

Motion # 1 submitted by MP S.L. Duncan

NO.	NAME	VOOR/FOR	TEGEN/AGAINST
1.	Grisha S. Heyliger-Marten	✓	
2.	Akeem E. Arrindell	✓	
3.	Sidharth M. Bijlani	✓	
4.	Rolando Brison	✓	
5.	Chanel E. Brownbill	✓	
6.	Solange L. Duncan	✓	
7.	Christophe T. Emmanuel		✓
8.	Melissa D. Gumbs	✓	
9.	William V. Marlin	✓	
10.	George C. Pantophlet	✓	
11.	Raeyhon A. Peterson	✓	
12.	Hyacinth L. Richardson	✓	
13.	Angelique J.G. Romou	✓	
14.	Ludmila N.L. de Weever	✓	
15.	Sarah A. Wescot-Williams	✓	

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DRAFT MOTION

The Parliament of Sint Maarten in its meeting of today, Friday 21st January, 2022

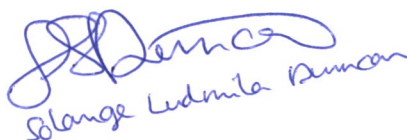
CONSIDERING THAT:

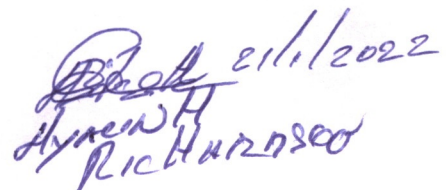
1. St. Maarten, like any other country in the world, is rich in culture and heritage;
2. there is a dire need for the effective inclusion of St. Maarten history, heritage and culture in primary and secondary education curriculums;
3. there is a national yearning for more knowledge, understanding and appreciation for St. Maarten history, heritage and culture in order to strengthen our national identity;
4. Article 18 of the Constitution of St. Maarten states that "It shall be the constant concern of the government to focus on the protection of children and young people and to promote their right to education, welfare, cultural development, and leisure activities;"
5. nation building is an area of focus of the Ministry of General Affairs for 2022;
6. Government in its Governing Program 2020-2024 has stated that it will actively protect and promote the natural, tangible, and intangible cultural heritage of St. Maarten;
7. the Parliament of St. Maarten represents and protects the general interest of the people of Sint Maarten, and treat these interests as paramount;

RESOLVES TO:

- Request the Government of St. Maarten to establish a National Heritage Week;
- Request the Minister of Education, Culture, Youth and Sport (ECYS) to present to Parliament a draft plan for the establishment of a Culture Council by August 2022;
- Request the Government of St. Maarten to establish a multi-disciplinary work group to review curriculums and related materials in all primary and secondary schools and present a plan of approach to Parliament for ensuring that local history, heritage and civic education are effectively taught in all schools within nine (9) months.

And proceeds to the order of the day.


Solange Ludmila Duncan


Steven H. Richardson
21/1/2022

Copies of this motion to be sent to:
The Governor of Sint Maarten
The Government of Sint Maarten


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