

Draft Motion



The Parliament of St. Maarten, in its meeting of today, December 3rd, 2013

CONSIDERING:

- That the Parliament of Sint Maarten is of the opinion that the workers of Sint Maarten deserve a "living wage";
- That many of the social ills, such as substandard housing, can be alleviated by providing a "living wage";
- That one of the stated goals of government is poverty alleviation and that a living wage makes a substantial contribution towards that effort;
- That it is of the utmost importance for Sint Maarten to determine what a "Living Wage" means on the island of St. Maarten today in order to determine how a living wage relates to the minimum wage;
- That a study should be carried out to determine the minimum income necessary to meet the basic necessities of life, such as, food, housing, education, clothing, utilities, health care and recreation;
- That any such study should detail a living wage for a single person, a family of two and so forth;
- That the results of such a study will be used to provide legislation in support of a living wage;



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- That countless studies from abroad support the idea that a living wage will not be harmful to the economy, but to the contrary will enhance the spending power of the workers;

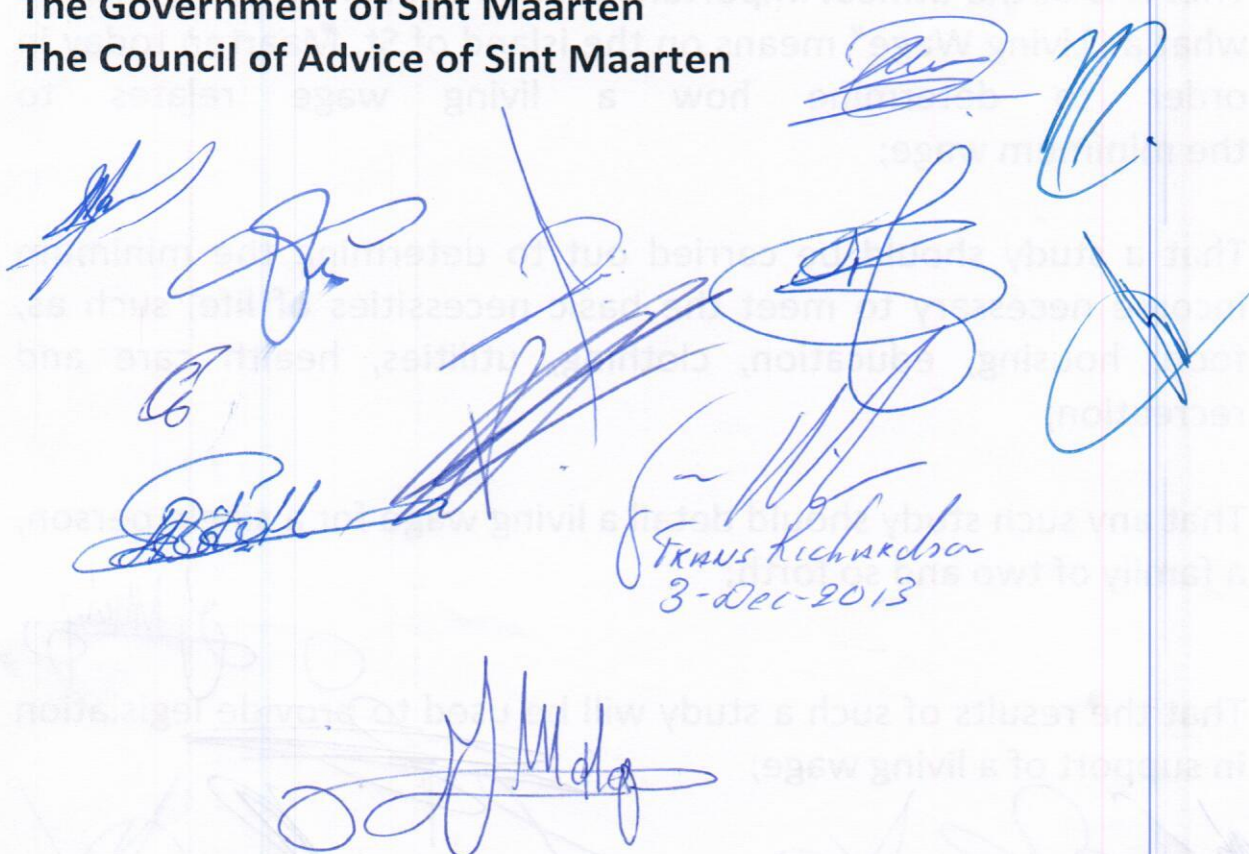
RESOLVES:

To request the Minister with responsibility for Labor and Social Affairs to within sixty days, carry out a survey to determine the level of a "living wage" for Sint Maarten and to report back to Parliament.

And goes over to the order of the day.

Copies of this motion to be sent to:

- The Governor of Sint Maarten**
- The Government of Sint Maarten**
- The Council of Advice of Sint Maarten**



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FRANK RICHARDSON
3-DEC-2013



STATEN VAN SINT MAARTEN
Thursday, December 3, 2013, Public Meeting no. 5
Voting list

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NO.	NAME	VOOR/FOR	TEGEN/AGAINST
1.	MP Romain J. Laville		
2.	MP FG Richardson		
3.	MP J Richardson		
4.	MP G E Pantophlet		
5.	MP PG Huidje		
6.	MP HL Richardson		
7.	MP LE Lawist		
8.	MP Roylman		
9.	MP Jules James		
10.	MP Johan E Remard		
11.	MP Willem V Maclain		
12.	MP E Heyliger		
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