An Act

To authorize the enlistment of citizens of the Northern Mariana Islands in the Armed Forces of the United States of America.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That notwithstanding the provisions of sections 8253 and 8253 of title 10, United States Code, and in accordance with a Covenant to Establish a Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands in Political Union with the United States of America (approved on March 24, 1976, by Public Law 94-241), a citizen of the Northern Mariana Islands who indicates in writing to a commissioned officer of the Armed Forces of the United States of America an intent to become a citizen, and not a national, of the United States upon full implementation of such Covenant, and who is otherwise qualified for military service under applicable laws and regulations, may enlist in the Armed Forces of the United States of America.

SEC. 2. This Act shall expire upon the establishment of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

Approved September 15, 1980.