

***I MINA'TRENTAI SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN***  
**RESOLUTIONS**

<b>Resolution No.</b>	<b>Sponsor</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Date Intro</b>	<b>Date of Presentation</b>	<b>Date Adopted</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>	<b>Referred to</b>	<b>PUBLIC HEARING DATE</b>	<b>DATE AUTHORS REPORT FILED</b>	<b>NOTES</b>
<b>291-37 (COR)</b>	Tina Rose Muña Barnes	Relative to posthumously recognizing the late Robert Haruki Kono for his nearly forty (40) years of dedicated service to the island and people of Guam; and expressing condolences to his family on his passing on behalf of the people of Guam.	1/10/24 2:43 p.m.	1/12/24 12:15 p.m.	1/11/24 11:28 a.m.					

Resolution No. 291-37 (COR)

Introduced by:

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Relative to posthumously recognizing the late Robert Haruki Kono for his nearly forty (40) years of dedicated service to the island and people of Guam; and expressing condolences to his family on his passing on behalf of the people of Guam.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES *I MINA TRENTAI SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN*:

WHEREAS, Robert Haruki Kono is the son of the late Kihichi and Tayeko Kono of Seattle, Washington; and he was the eldest of three (3) siblings, with a sister, Julianne Eng, and a brother, Kenneth Kono; and

WHEREAS, in 1978, Robert graduated from the University of Washington in Seattle with a bachelor's degree in political science and communication. He pursued his Juris Doctor at the Antioch School of Law in Washington D.C., graduating in 1981; and

WHEREAS, in 1983, Robert was admitted as a member of the Washington State Bar Association and was later admitted into the Guam Bar Association; and

WHEREAS, Robert Kono made Guam his home serving as the Assistant Attorney General at the Office of the Attorney General of Guam in the Solicitor Division from 1985 to 2002; and

WHEREAS, Robert Kono specialized in procurement law during his time serving at the Office of the Attorney General of Guam. He was trained at the George Washington University in Washington D.C., where he received Continuing Legal Education Credits; and he represented Guam's General Services Agency and other government of Guam agencies through their procurement processes. Additionally, he was appointed to serve as the Attorney General of Guam in an acting capacity on a number of occasions; and

WHEREAS, Robert Kono's grasp of Guam's procurement laws led him to become the foremost source of institutional knowledge surrounding procurement laws on Guam that was greatly needed; and his counsel was highly sought within the government of Guam, as well as among his colleagues; and Robert Kono contributed vastly to the legal landscape of procurement law, authoring formal legal opinions and informational legal opinions as an Assistant Attorney General within the Office of the Attorney General of Guam; and

WHEREAS, during the latter half of Robert Kono's career from 2002 to 2024, his invaluable expertise in procurement law was put to great use at the Civil Service Commission, the Department of Administration, and the DOA-General Services Agency, where he was often tapped to serve as an evaluation committee member in government of Guam procurement matters; and

WHEREAS, Robert Kono was known for his invaluable insights in Guam's procurement and administrative laws; and he passed away on January 8, 2024 after living an outstanding life of remarkable service to the island and people of Guam for thirty-nine (39) years; now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina'trentai Siette Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the people of Guam, posthumously recognize the late Robert Haruki Kono for his nearly forty (40) years of dedicated service to the island and people of Guam; and express condolences to his family on his passing on behalf of the people of Guam; and be it further

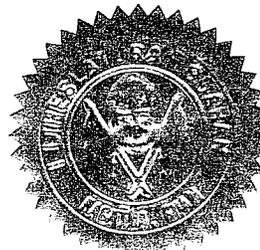
RESOLVED, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to the family of the late Robert Haruki Kono; and to the Honorable Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero, *I Maga'hagan Guåhan*.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF *I MINA TRENTAI SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* ON THE 11<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF JANUARY 2024.

  
THERESE M. TERLAJE  
Speaker

  
CHRIS BARNETT  
Chairperson, Committee on Rules

  
AMANDA I. SHELTON  
Legislative Secretary



1/11/24 @ 8:25am Alan Espada Clerk

***I MINA'TRENTAI SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN***  
**2024 (SECOND) Regular Session**

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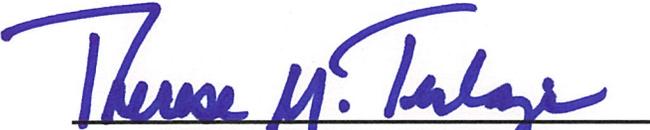
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**THERESE M. TERLAJE**  
Speaker

  
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**CHRIS BARNETT**  
Chairperson, Committee on Rules

  
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# COMMITTEE ON RULES

Chris Barnett, Chairperson, Committee on Rules

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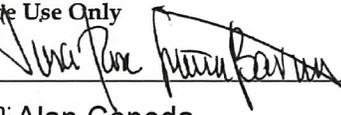
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## COMMITTEE VOTE SHEET

**Resolution No. 291-37 (COR) - Tina Rose Muña Barnes.** - "Relative to posthumously recognizing the late Robert Haruki Kono for his nearly forty (40) years of dedicated service to the island and people of Guam; and expressing condolences to his family on his passing on behalf of the people of Guam."

	INITIAL	DATE	TO ADOPT	TO NOT ADOPT	TO ABSTAIN
<b>Senator Chris Barnett</b> Chairperson					
<b>Senator Sabina Flores Perez</b> Vice Chairperson	e-vote	1/11/24	✓		
<b>Speaker Therese M. Terlaje</b> Member	e-vote	1/11/24	✓		
<b>Vice Speaker Tina Rose Muña Barnes</b> Member	<del>72</del>	1/11/24	✓		
<b>Legislative Secretary Amanda L. Shelton</b> Member	e-vote	1/11/24	✓		
<b>Senator William A. Parkinson</b> Member					
<b>Senator Roy A. B. Quinata</b> Member	e-vote	1/11/24	✓		
<b>Senator Joe S. San Agustin</b> Member	e-vote	1/11/24	✓		
<b>Senator Dwayne T. D. San Nicolas</b> Member	e-vote	1/11/24	✓		
<b>Senator Joanne Brown</b> Minority Member	e-vote	1/11/24	✓		
<b>Senator Christopher M. Dueñas</b> Minority Member	e-vote	1/11/24	✓		
<b>Senator Thomas J. Fisher</b> Minority Member					
<b>Senator Telo T. Taitague</b> Minority Member					

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Sponsor Signature: 

Staff Contact Person: Alan Cepeda

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9 Certified \_\_\_\_\_ Returned

Name: Donaven-ray Mantanona

Date: January 11, 2024 at 11:28 a.m.

Notes:



Office of the Vice Speaker

**TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES**

*I Mina'trentai Siette Na Liheslaturan Guåhan*

**37<sup>th</sup> Guam Legislature**

January 11, 2024

**MEMORANDUM**

**To: All Senators**

37<sup>th</sup> Guam Legislature

**From: Vice Speaker Tina Rose Muña Barnes**

**Subject: Presentation of Resolution No. 291-37 (COR)**

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*Buenas yan Håfa Adai!*

Please be advised **Resolution No. 291-37 (COR)** – Tina Rose Muña Barnes. – “Relative to posthumously recognizing the late Robert Haruki Kono for his nearly forty (40) years of dedicated service to the island and people of Guam; and expressing condolences to his family on his passing on behalf of the people of Guam,” will be hand-delivered to the family of the Late Robert Haruki Kono on January 12, 2024 at 12:15 PM

*Si Yu'os Ma'åse'!*