

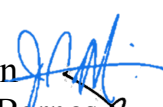





I MINA'TRENTAI SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
RESOLUTIONS

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490-37 (COR)	Joe S. San Agustin Tina Rose Muña Barnes Roy A. B. Quinata Amanda L. Shelton Dwayne T.D. San Nicolas William A. Parkinson	Relative to posthumously recognizing the late Reed Kin Sanchez Topasna for his contributions as a renown and avid hiker of Guam`s beautiful terrain and trails; and commemorating his goodwill to our island community; and further expressing condolences to his family on his passing on behalf of the people of Guam.	9/4/24 2:35 p.m.	9/10/24 2:00 p.m.						

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

WHEREAS, the late Reed Kin Sanchez Topasna, was born on August 24, 1971. He was one of the five (5) children of Ramon Tainatongo Topasna and Lucia Lydia Salas Sanchez Topasna. He was a loving brother to his siblings: his twin Ryan Jon Topasna, Ron Sanchez Topasna, Lorilee Marie Topasna Crisostomo, and his recently deceased eldest brother Ray Sanchez Topasna; and

WHEREAS, Reed Kin Sanchez Topasna lived in the village of Sinajana, where he spent most of his childhood and adolescent years with his family. Like many CHamoru men on Guam he was a man of faith and a devout Catholic. His entire

1 educational career was held on Guam where he attended: C.L. Taitano Elementary
2 School, Cathedral Catholic School, Agueda I. Johnson Middle School, and graduated
3 from George Washington High School; and

4 **WHEREAS**, Reed was a devoted father to his four (4) sons: Sky San Agustin,
5 Ryu Rain Topasna, Blayz Reed Topasna, and Rayden Zane Topasna. Reed lived in
6 Chalan Pago family apartments a place he proudly called home; as it was passed down
7 to him by his parents; and

8 **WHEREAS**, Reed's presence was a beacon of positivity, touching the lives of
9 countless individuals. He cherished the connections he formed and held a special place
10 in his heart for everyone who had been a part of his life; and

11 **WHEREAS**, his life was a tapestry of heartwarming moments. At home, he
12 found joy in crafting custom cabinets and shelves for his mother, showcasing his talent
13 for woodworking. His artistic touch extended to the construction of intricate nativity
14 stables, providing a perfect home for his mother and sister's cherished Fontanini
15 figurines; and

16 **WHEREAS**, his mechanical skills were evident in his projects at home. He
17 expertly enclosed car painting booths in his Sinajana family home and his Chalan Pago
18 residence, where he meticulously prepared, sanded, and painted cars and trucks. In his
19 spare time, he found joy in playing the guitar and singing; and

20 **WHEREAS**, He also enjoyed raising fighting roosters for several years where
21 he was respectful in following strict breeding guidances. As a man of strength and
22 endurance, he taught martial arts to family and friends, and was active in the Hal's
23 Angel's Football Team and coached youth football for several years; and

24 **WHEREAS**, in his career life he served in the Government of Guam for over
25 twenty (20) years beginning on October 10, 2001, as a Stevedore at the Port Authority
26 of Guam, loading and offloading crates and cargo containers. His exceptional
27 performance led to a promotion to Stevedore Leader on June 26, 2006. His unwavering

1 dedication caught management's attention, and when a Stevedore Supervisor I position
2 opened up, Reed expressed interest and competed for the role. As a result, he was
3 promoted to Stevedore Supervisor I on June 30, 2014; and

4 **WHEREAS**, Reed's unwavering commitment to the Port and its mission became
5 evident as he consistently demonstrated his teamwork and leadership skills to
6 management. Over a span of more than five years, from September 2017 to May 2023,
7 he excelled as an Acting Stevedore Supervisor II. When the Stevedoring Superintendent
8 retired, management entrusted several leaders within the Stevedoring Division with the
9 role of Acting Stevedoring Superintendent. Reed seized the opportunity and performed
10 admirably in this capacity. As a result, Rory Respicio, General Manager, proudly
11 selected Reed as Stevedoring Superintendent on May 6, 2024, through the competitive
12 selection process; and

13 **WHEREAS**, throughout his career, Reed received numerous letters of
14 appreciation for his professional services rendered to the Port and its customers and
15 received awards for service, including Outstanding Work Center of the Quarter in
16 February 2005 and April 2023, Nominated by his superiors for Supervisor of the
17 Quarter from July to September 2006 and January to March 2023; and

18 **WHEREAS**, as a son of Guam who had great pride in our island, he promoted
19 the beauty of Guam to the hiking community through his involvement with the Guam
20 Boonie Stompers. As a member, then later becoming the President of this non-profit
21 organization, he volunteered and assisted the Guam Fire Department and Guam Police
22 Department to find lost hikers. He eventually shared his hiking experiences on social
23 media presenting breathtaking videos for all those yearning for the wondrous tropical
24 island environment that Guam is known for. Through his many hikes he shared our
25 island's flourishing hidden natural treasures and culture; now therefore, be it

26 **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina'trentai Siette Na*
27 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the people

1 of Guam, posthumously recognize the late Reed Kin Sanchez Topasna for his
2 contributions as a renown and avid hiker of Guam’s beautiful terrain and trails; and
3 commemorating his goodwill to our island community; and further expressing
4 condolences to his family on his passing on behalf of the people of Guam; and be it
5 further

6 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules
7 certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of
8 the same be thereafter transmitted to Ramon Tainatongo Topasna, Lucia Lydia Salas
9 Sanchez Topasna, Ryan Jon Topasna, Sky San Agustin, Ryu Rain Topasna, Blayz Reed
10 Topasna, and Rayden Zane Topasna; and to the Honorable Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero,
11 *I Maga'hågan Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF
I MINA'TRENTAI SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE DAY
OF 2024.**

THERESE M. TERLAJE
Speaker

CHRIS BARNETT
Chairperson, Committee on Rules

AMANDA L. SHELTON
Legislative Secretary