I MINA'TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN 2009 (FIRST) Regular Session

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Relative to congratulating and commending Commander Nonito Vincent Blas, USN, on his recent promotion to his current rank of Commander, and to expressing *Un Dångkolo Na Si Yu'os Ma'åse'* for his leadership, accomplishments and service to our nation and our island as an officer of the United States Navy.

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

- 3 WHEREAS, Nonito Vincent Blas was born in Mangilao, Guam, on April
- 4 22, 1963, and is the eldest of four (4) sons born to Mayor Nonito "Nito" C. Blas
- 5 and Marcella Dorothea "Doring" Blas, residents of Mangilao, Guam, and his
- 6 three (3) brothers are: Raymond, Kinney, and Ralph; and
- 7 WHEREAS, on October 20, 1984, Nonito Vincent Blas married the
- 8 former Denise L. Guzman of Maina, and the couple are the proud parents of
- 9 two (2) children: Christine and Kyle; and
- 10 **WHEREAS**, Nonito Vincent Blas attended William H. Price Elementary
- 11 School in Mangilao; Father Damian High School, Honolulu, Hawaii and
- 12 graduated from Father Dueñas Memorial School, Mangilao, in 1981; and
- WHEREAS, upon high school graduation, Nonito V. Blas enlisted in the
- 14 United States Navy as a Seaman Recruit and completed boot camp in San
- 15 Diego, California in 1981. In 1989, he attained the rank of Chief Petty Officer
- 16 (CPO) Electronics Technician (Surface Warfare) nuclear training while
- 17 stationed at San Diego, California. In 1993, Ensign Nonito V. Blas was
- 18 commissioned under the Limited Duty Officer (LDO) program; and
- 19 WHEREAS, in 1986, ENS Blas completed the Naval Nuclear Power
- 20 School and Nuclear Prototype Training (NPTU) at Ballston Spa, New York.
- 21 His tour of duty enlisted shore assignments as: Staff Instructor, Nuclear
- 22 Prototype Training, Ballston Spa, New York and NPTU, Idaho Falls, Idaho.

- 1 He completed sea duty assignments aboard the USS LONG BEACH (CGN 9);
- 2 and
- 3 WHEREAS, at Officer Indoctrination School, Pensacola, Florida, ENS
- 4 Blas graduated number one in a class of twenty (20) officers in 1993. His
- 5 assignments include: Nuclear Repair Officer, USS HOLLAND (AS 32)
- 6 qualifying as a Surface Warfare Officer, and was selected as the 1996
- 7 Commander, Submarine Force Pacific Fleet Junior Officer of the Year. While
- 8 assigned as the Hull Repair Officer at Naval Intermediate Maintenance
- 9 Facility (NAVIMFAC), Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, in 1999, he was awarded the
- 10 Federal Asian Pacific American Council Meritorious Service Award. LT. Blas
- 11 oversaw the Chemistry and Radiological Controls Assistance, USS CARL
- 12 VINSON (CVN 70) in 2001. He served as Production Management Assistant
- on the USS FRANK CABLE (AS 40) and was conferred the 2004 Navy
- 14 Submarine League Levering Smith Award for achievement in submarine
- 15 support. In 2007, as the Reactor Mechanical Assistant, USS RONALD
- 16 REAGAN (CVN 76), he earned the Commander Naval Air Forces
- 17 Outstanding Leadership Award; and
- 18 WHEREAS, LCDR Blas completed numerous Western Pacific and
- 19 Persian Gulf deployments in support of Operation Desert Shield (1990),
- 20 Operation Desert Storm (1991), Operation Enduring Freedom (2001) and Operation
- 21 Iraqi Freedom (2002); and

- 1 WHEREAS, CDR Nonito Blas is the recipient of several prestigious
- 2 military awards: the Meritorious Service Medal, the Navy and Marine Corps
- 3 Commendation (three times), and a number of other personal and campaign
- 4 awards; and
- 5 **WHEREAS**, CDR Nonito V. Blas is currently serving at Navy Personnel
- 6 Command, Millington, Tennessee, as the Head Detailer for submarine and
- 7 nuclear Limited Duty Officers and Chief Warrant Officers; and
- 8 WHEREAS, in his personal and professional life, Commander Nonito
- 9 Vincent Blas constantly stresses integrity and respect for others and serves as
- 10 a source of inspiration to his fellow officers, friends and family, to whom he
- 11 has always encouraged personal and professional growth; now, therefore, be
- 12 it
- 13 **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules of I Mina'Trenta Na
- 14 Liheslaturan Guåhan does hereby, on behalf of I Liheslaturan Guåhan and the
- 15 people of Guam, congratulate and commend Commander Nonito Vincent
- 16 Blas on his recent promotion to his current rank, and does express Un
- 17 Dångkolo Na Si Yu'os Ma'åse' for his leadership, accomplishment, and service
- 18 to our nation and our island as an officer of the United States Navy; and be it
- 19 further
- 20 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on
- 21 Rules certify, and the Legislative Secretary attests to, the adoption hereof and
- 22 that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Commander Nonito

- 1 Vincent Blas; to his parents, Mayor Nonito "Nito" and Mrs. Marcella
- 2 Dorothea "Doring" Blas; and to the Honorable Felix P. Camacho, I Maga'lahen
- 3 Guåhan.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF *I MINA'TRENA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* ON THE ____, DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2009.

JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D

Speaker

RORÝ J. RESPICIO

Chairperson, Committee on Rules

TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES

Legislative Secretary