

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

**Resolution No. 185-30 (COR)**

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**Relative to commending Dr. Yolanda Whitfield for her unselfish efforts to assist our military families and veterans at Naval Hospital, Guam; and to extending her a *Dångkulo na Si Yu'os Ma'åse'*; and to wishing her and her family "*Fair Winds and Following Seas*," as they depart for their next duty station.**

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

3           **WHEREAS**, three (3) years ago, Dr. Yolanda Whitfield became Anabelle  
4 Castro Evangelista's doctor. During this time, medical care was not at its best  
5 when it came to Anabelle, due to affordability, as well as availability, as she  
6 suffered from Down's syndrome, obstructive sleep apnea, gout,  
7 hypothyroidism, diabetes, PTSD, and psoriasis; and

8           **WHEREAS**, Dr. Whitfield always saw Anabelle as a person in need of  
9 care and compassion, and never as a disabled person with complex medical  
10 issues. Dr. Whitfield availed herself to Anabelle on and off duty whenever  
11 needed. Had it not been for Dr. Whitfield's care for Anabelle, there is no way  
12 of knowing how she would be today; and

13           **WHEREAS**, today, Anabelle is a beautiful, young woman who sees life  
14 without limits to her, and a lot is due in part to Dr. Whitfield's care. Dr.  
15 Whitfield has instilled a positive perspective of life not only to Anabelle, but  
16 to her family as well. Dr. Whitfield allowed Anabelle's family to believe that  
17 their future together could only get better with the continued care that Dr.  
18 Whitfield had taught and instilled in the family; and

19           **WHEREAS**, in 2009, rather than Dr. Whitfield taking the day off to  
20 celebrate New Year's, she was at the hospital, where she received Anabelle's  
21 newborn sister to ensure that she, too, was in good health. Even after this, Dr.  
22 Whitfield continued to avail herself to ElizaEmma (newborn) and to Anabelle,

1 who “stole the Doc’s heart,” without ever expressing being tired, frustrated or  
2 even that she’d rather be somewhere else; and

3       **WHEREAS**, for many children like Anabelle and their families who  
4 receive care from Dr. Whitfield, they will all be saddened that her time to  
5 leave Guam has come. Anabelle and her family have been touched by an  
6 “angel” in Dr. Yolanda Whitfield, via the United States Navy, and now she  
7 must leave to aid other children and families with the same genuine care and  
8 love that she had bestowed upon us; and

9       **WHEREAS**, during her tour on Guam, Dr. Whitfield has assisted many  
10 of Guam’s military families and veterans in their medical needs. Many of  
11 Guam’s military families and veterans wholeheartedly appreciate all Dr.  
12 Whitfield has done to assure that her patients get the best health care and  
13 services; and

14       **WHEREAS**, as a member of the Naval Hospital Guam family, Dr.  
15 Whitfield became the primary care physician for many families and their  
16 children, including Anabelle Therese Castro (“*Princess*”) and ElizaEmma  
17 Castro Evangelista. Through Dr. Whitfield’s exceptional level of care,  
18 compassion, and respect, the doors to enhancing the quality of life for  
19 Anabelle and ElizaEmma were opened, thereby providing a brighter future  
20 for both girls. Dr. Whitfield’s care for Anabelle and others has not only  
21 improved their quality of life, but also has instilled greater hope within them;  
22 and

1           **WHEREAS**, Dr. Whitfield’s level of care is one that she would never  
2    compromise for any reason. Under Dr. Whitfield’s care, Anabelle’s life was  
3    spared. In 2008, Dr. Whitfield referred Anabelle to Tripler Medical Center,  
4    Hawaii, where she was able to get an extension of Dr. Whitfield’s excellent  
5    care through other specialists. Because of Dr. Whitfield’s undying care and  
6    compassion for Anabelle, she received surgery which resulted in the drastic  
7    reduction of her dependence on a CPAP machine, which she used to treat her  
8    her sleep apnea; and furthermore, Anabelle’s speech improved significantly,  
9    thus, increasing her self-esteem to become the young and vibrant woman she  
10   is today; and

11           **WHEREAS**, Dr. Yolanda Whitfield epitomizes the definition of both the  
12   military and community servant. She has made numerous, significant and  
13   unselfish contributions to the people of Guam, including Anabelle “Princess”  
14   Therese Castro and her family; now, therefore, be it

15           **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina’Trenta Na*  
16   *Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the  
17   people of Guam, commend Dr. Yolanda Whitfield for her unselfish efforts to  
18   assist our military families and veterans at Naval Hospital, Guam; extend to  
19   her a *Dångkulo na Si Yu’os Ma’åse’*; and wish her and her family “*Fair Winds*  
20   *and Following Seas,*” as they depart for their next duty station; and be it further

21           **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on  
22   Rules certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and

1 that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Dr. Yolanda Whitfield; to  
2 the Honorable Madeleine Z. Bordallo, Guam's Congressional Delegate, U. S.  
3 House of Representatives; and to the Honorable Felix P. Camacho, I  
4 *Maga'lahaen Guåhan*.

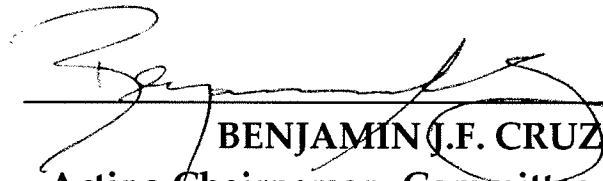
**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF I  
MINA'TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE 2<sup>ND</sup> DAY OF  
SEPTEMBER 2009.**



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**JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D.**

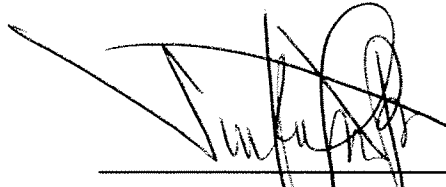
**Speaker**



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**BENJAMIN J.F. CRUZ**

**Acting Chairperson, Committee on Rules**



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**TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES**

**Legislative Secretary**