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

Resolution No. 198-30 (COR)

Introduced by:

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Relative to recognizing and commending Mrs. Nina Ignacio Bernardo, the longest serving employee of the Guam Environmental Protection Agency, for her thirty-two (32) years of public service; and to congratulating her on the occasion of her retirement from the Government of Guam.

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

- WHEREAS, Mrs. Nina Ignacio Bernardo was born in Manila,
 Philippines, on August 23, 1928, the only girl among five (5) children; and
- WHEREAS, Nina attended St. Paul's College Elementary up to the fifth (5th) grade, attended secondary school at Arellano University, where she graduated, and then attended college at the Philippine Women's University; and
- WHEREAS, in 1967, she took a job in Saigon, Vietnam, working as a secretary for Alaska Barge & Transport Inc./Pacific Architects & Engineers, a company which transported goods by ship and contracted repairs and cleaning; and in 1971, she then moved to Guam where she spent several years working in the private sector, holding positions with the Guam Toyku Hotel, Realty Mortgage Corporation, Inland Builders Corp., and Guam Memorial Life Plan; and
 - WHEREAS, on January 17, 1977, Nina began her government of Guam service with the Guam Environmental Protection Agency as a Clerk Typist, and she is the longest-serving employee of GEPA, having been with the agency for more than thirty-two (32) years; and

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WHEREAS, upholding the same measure of dedication to her personal life as she did to her professional life, Nina vowed her love and devotion to Mr. Guillermo Bernardo at their marriage on July 27, 1977; and

WHEREAS, while continuing her career, Mrs. Bernardo embraced her new life as a wife and spent nearly fifteen (15) years taking care of her husband, their home, and her stepson, Billy, until her husband's unfortunate passing on June 2, 1991; and

WHEREAS, although Nina has always been an advocate for her fellow workers to seek promotional opportunities, she has been comfortable and content with her job, preferring to excel at her position and perform many additional duties for the benefit of her agency, rather than aspiring for a personal promotion, exemplifying her longevity and dependability as a GEPA employee; and

WHEREAS, her friends know Mrs. Bernardo as a kind and compassionate person who is always looking out for agency staffers, old timers and newcomers alike, and is always honest, straightforward and willing to provide constructive criticism whenever necessary, and she has become the voice of staffers who have agency concerns but who may be too hesitant to raise them; and

WHEREAS, Nina has volunteered her assistance at Annual Clerical Seminars, has participated in Department of Administration Validation Studies, and has represented her agency in receiving a Department Recognition Award; and in addition to her devotion to her job, Mrs. Bernardo makes time to serve our community as a member of the local Diabetes

- 1 Association, and practices her faith as a member of the local Buddhist
- 2 community; now, therefore, be it
- 3 **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules of I Mina'Trenta Na
- 4 Liheslaturan Guåhan does hereby, on behalf of I Liheslaturan Guåhan and the
- 5 people of Guam, recognize and commend Mrs. Nina Ignacio Bernardo, whose
- 6 more than thirty-two (32) years of public service single her out as the longest-
- 7 serving employee of the Guam Environmental Protection Agency, and does
- 8 further congratulate her on the occasion of her retirement from the
- 9 Government of Guam; and be it further
- 10 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on
- 11 Rules certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and
- 12 that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Mrs. Nina Ignacio
- 13 Bernardo; to Ms. Lorilee Crisostomo, Administrator, Guam Environmental
- 14 Protection Agency; and to the Honorable Felix P. Camacho, I Maga'lahen
- 15 Guåhan.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF I MINA'TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE 24^{TH} DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2009.

JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D.

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Speaker

Chairperson, Committee on Rules

TINA ROSE MŮÑA BARNES

Legislative Secretary