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Relative to recognizing Mar-Vic Cagurangan, one of Guam's Working Class Heroes, for her hard work and dedication, not just to her job, but to all the people of Guam; and to extending *Un Dångkolo Na Si Yu'os Ma'åse'* to Ms. Cagurangan for her outstanding citizenship and accomplishments.

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

WHEREAS, Guam functions and succeeds as a result of the hard work of all our working class heroes that serve our island every day as workers, as parents, as children, as friends, and as active citizens in our democracy; and

WHEREAS, Guam's working class heroes have long been the forgotten backbone of our island, and they should be recognized for their commitment and loyalty in serving the community; and

WHEREAS, there would be no tourism industry without hotel workers, no schools without education professionals, no healthcare without nurses, no stores without clerks, no phones without lines people, no clean streets without solid waste professionals, no safe beaches and pools without lifeguards and park rangers, no safety and protection without police officers and firefighters, no restaurants without servers or cooks, no balanced books without accountants, no clean water without water workers, no clean and maintained schools and buildings without custodians and maintenance workers, and no children at school without bus drivers. Guam thrives thanks to our working class heroes; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Cagurangan has been a journalist for her entire working career, beginning in 1988 in the Philippines. After several years of journalism experience, Ms. Cagurangan brought her talent and skills to the

- 1 Guam Marianas Variety in 2003, and worked for seven (7) years as a reporter,
- 2 and now as an editor; and
- 3 **WHEREAS**, Ms. Cagurangan's was recognized or her journalist skills as
- 4 the "2006 Best Columnist" for her column on Government and Politics,
- 5 entitled "Fights"; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Ms. Cagurangan is fortunate to be blessed with two (2)
- 7 children, whom are her driving force in life. Ms. Cagurangan has experienced
- 8 and overcame the hardships of being a single mother for several years,
- 9 working to support them the best she can. Ms. Cagurangan has been
- 10 separated from her children since she moved to Guam, with only occasional
- visits, and is awaiting their arrival to start the life Ms. Cagurangan has started
- 12 for them; and
- 13 WHEREAS, Ms. Cagurangan has also been gifted with the talent of
- 14 painting for eight (8) years now. Ms. Cagurangan is a member of the
- 15 Chamorro Artists Association, along with other visual artists of Guam,
- 16 collaborating on ideas and showcasing their artwork in exhibits. Ms.
- 17 Cagurangan held a one (1)-woman exhibit showcasing two (2) of her most
- 18 notable pieces, entitled Ico's World and The Mystery of Autism, which was
- 19 inspired by her autistic son; and
- 20 WHEREAS, Ms. Cagurangan has demonstrated a strong will and
- 21 perseverance in her work as a journalist, visual artist, and being a role model
- 22 for single, working mothers; now, therefore, be it

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- 1 **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina'Trenta Na*
- 2 Liheslaturan Guåhan does hereby, on behalf of I Liheslaturan Guåhan and the
- 3 people of Guam, recognize Mar-Vic Cagurangan, one of Guam's working
- 4 class heroes, for her hard work and dedication, not just to her job, but to all
- 5 the people of Guam; and does extend *Un Dångkolo Na Si Yu'os Ma'åse'* to Ms.
- 6 Cagurangan for her outstanding citizenship and accomplishments; and be it
- 7 further
- 8 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on
- 9 Rules certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and
- 10 that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Ms. Mar-Vic Cagurangan;
- and to the Honorable Felix P. Camacho, I Maga'lahen Guåhan.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF I MINA'TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE  $6^{TH}$  DAY OF OCTOBER 2009.

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