

I MINA'TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
2010 (SECOND) Regular Session

Resolution No. 284-30 (COR)

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Relative to memorializing and acknowledging the accomplishments of the late Honorable Cristobal Camacho Dueñas, the first *Chamorro* appointed to a Federal Court Bench; to expressing *Un Dångkolo Na Si Yu'os Ma'åse* to him for his great contributions to the people of Guam; and to offering sincere condolences to his family.

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

3 **WHEREAS**, the late Honorable Cristobal C. Dueñas was born on
4 September 12, 1920, in *Hagatña*. His parents are †Jose C. Dueñas and
5 †Concepcion C. Dueñas; and

6 **WHEREAS**, the late Honorable Cristobal C. Dueñas attended the
7 Aquinas College in Grand Rapids, Michigan, and graduated in 1952 from the
8 University of Michigan Law School; and

9 **WHEREAS**, the late Honorable Cristobal C. Dueñas was admitted to the
10 Guam Bar Association in 1953, and worked as an assistant to the Attorney
11 General until 1957; and

12 **WHEREAS**, the late Honorable Cristobal C. Dueñas was appointed to
13 serve as Director of the Department of Land Management in 1957; and

14 **WHEREAS**, the late Honorable Cristobal C. Dueñas then served as a
15 Judge for the Island Court of Guam, from 1960 to 1969; and

16 **WHEREAS**, on December 11, 1969, the late Honorable Cristobal C.
17 Dueñas was appointed by President Richard Nixon to serve as Judge of the
18 District Court of Guam, the first *Chamorro* in Guam's history to be appointed
19 to a Federal Court Bench; and

20 **WHEREAS**, as Judge of the District Court, the Honorable Cristobal C.
21 Dueñas presided over several prominent cases, including the corruption trial
22 of former Governor Ricardo J. Bordallo; the anti-trust lawsuit filed against the

1 Guam International Airport Authority and Duty Free Shoppers Ltd.; and a
2 suit filed by the hospital employees against the Guam Memorial Hospital; and

3 **WHEREAS**, the late Honorable Cristobal C. Dueñas was re-appointed
4 by President Jimmy Carter to continue serving as Judge of the District Court
5 of Guam, and he was known in the legal community as a man who knew how
6 to apply the law, and who was a fair, pious and lovable gentleman; and

7 **WHEREAS**, in January 1988, the Ninth Circuit Court awarded the
8 senior status to the late Honorable Cristobal C. Dueñas; and

9 **WHEREAS**, the late Honorable Cristobal C. Dueñas also was a civic-
10 minded individual, who helped the 1st Council Knights of Columbus of Guam
11 in 1968; he was the first Grand Knight Charter Faithful Navigator of the
12 Knights of Columbus; and was a former President of the St. Vincent de Paul
13 Society of Guam, from the late 1950s to early 1960s; and

14 **WHEREAS**, in 1996, the late Honorable Cristobal C. Dueñas was a
15 recipient of the Knight of the Order of St. Silvestre, and Knight of the Order of
16 St. Gregory by Pope John Paul II, one of the highest honors conferred by the
17 Catholic Church; and

18 **WHEREAS**, the late Honorable Cristobal C. Dueñas retired on January
19 31, 1991, and was called to his eternal rest on February 14, 2010; and

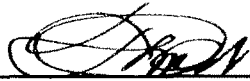
20 **WHEREAS**, the late Honorable Cristobal C. Dueñas will be dearly
21 missed by his wife, Juanita Calvo Dueñas; his children: Christopher J.C. and
22 Ramona Dueñas; Vincent C. Dueñas; Zerlina D. and Ivan Shiroma; Joanna C.

1 Dueñas and Susan L. Geersen; Ricardo C. Dueñas; David C. and Monique
2 Williams – Dueñas; his nine (9) grandchildren; two (2) great-grand children;
3 and his brother, sisters, family and friends; now, therefore, be it

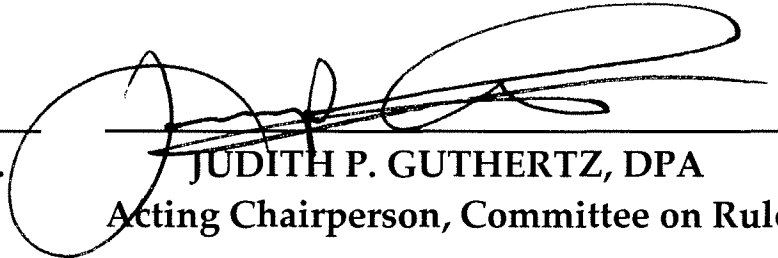
4 **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina'Trenta Na*
5 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the
6 people of Guam, recognize and acknowledge the accomplishments and
7 achievements of the late Honorable Cristobal Camacho Dueñas, Retired
8 Senior United States District Court Judge does further extend *Un Dångkolo Na*
9 *Si Yu'os Ma'åse* to him for his inspiration and contributions to the people of
10 Guam; and does extend its sincere condolences and heartfelt sympathy to the
11 family of the late Honorable Cristobal C. Dueñas; and be it further

12 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on
13 Rules certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and
14 that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to his widow, Juanita Calvo
15 Dueñas, and the family of the late Honorable Cristobal C. Dueñas; and to the
16 Honorable Felix P. Camacho, *I Maga'lahren Guåhan*.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES
OF *I MINA'TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN* ON THIS 22ND DAY
OF FEBRUARY 2010.



JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D.
Speaker



JUDITH P. GUTHERTZ, DPA
Acting Chairperson, Committee on Rules



TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES
Legislative Secretary