

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

Resolution No. 416-30 (COR)

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Relative to recognizing and congratulating Dr. Maria Isabel Salomon on her retirement from the School of Nursing and Health Sciences, University of Guam; to extending *Un Dångkolo Na Si Yu'os Ma'åse* to her for dedicating seventeen (17) years of distinguished service to the people of Guam; and to further extending best wishes to her on her future endeavors.

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

3 **WHEREAS,** Maria Isabel Salomon graduated from Indiana University
4 in 1975, with a Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree. She went on to
5 complete both her Masters of Science (Community Health Nursing) and
6 Doctor of Nursing Science (Health Policy and Community Health Nursing)
7 degrees from Indiana University; and

8 **WHEREAS,** in 1993, Dr. Maria Isabel Salomon came to the University of
9 Guam as a faculty member, and later became the Director of Nursing in 2003.
10 In her role as faculty and director, Dr. Salomon enthusiastically motivated her
11 students and faculty members to participate in community outreach activities,
12 and the Guam Nurses Association programs and events; and

13 **WHEREAS,** Dr. Maria Isabel Salomon actively supported participation
14 in research activities; and

15 **WHEREAS,** recently, Dr. Maria Isabel Salomon completed her second
16 term as President of the Guam Nurses Association. As President of the
17 Association, she moved the annual nursing conferences towards a research
18 based focus, and arranged for off-island speakers on Evidence-Based Practice,
19 and Ethics in Healthcare. Furthermore, as President she energetically
20 encouraged the senior nursing students and the University of Guam faculty to
21 present the findings from their research projects to stimulate interest from

1 Guam nurses. As a result, several nurses from various agencies on Guam also
2 contributed research findings at the conference; and

3 **WHEREAS**, Dr. Maria Isabel Salomon actively participated in the
4 American Pacific Nursing Leaders Council, which is an organization
5 comprised of all of the U.S.-Affiliated Pacific Island Countries. As a member,
6 Dr. Salomon represented the University of Guam and the Guam Nurses
7 Association at each annual meeting, and provided guidance and support to
8 key personnel in the organization. Furthering her nursing expertise, Dr.
9 Salomon also participated in the Pacific Islands Health Officers Association
10 meetings, and presented the research findings from Guam; and

11 **WHEREAS**, Dr. Salomon was a frequent contributor to the *Ramas*
12 *Ubas*, the newsletter of the Guam Nurses Association. Her inspirational
13 column served to motivate our nurses to work toward the improvement of the
14 nursing practice on Guam; and

15 **WHEREAS**, as the Director of Nursing at the School of Nursing and
16 Health Sciences, Dr. Salomon has completed an annual report of nursing
17 education on Guam for the Guam Board of Nurse Examiners, which detailed
18 the accomplishments of the University of Guam nursing programs; and

19 **WHEREAS**, recognizing the need for new programs and funding
20 sources, Dr. Salomon has authorized and co-authored several grant proposals,
21 which have brought in much-needed funding in these economically difficult
22 times, including grants from federal funding agencies, such as the Department

1 of Interior, the Department of Education, and the Health Resources Services
2 Administration (HRSA). These grant programs provided the resources to
3 ensure that students have the necessary equipment and supplies to
4 adequately prepare for clinical practice, and to ensure that faculty members
5 are geared with skills to assist students to put together theoretical knowledge
6 with skills practice. The HRSA grant provided additional support for the
7 much-needed allied health personnel on Guam and the region; and

8 **WHEREAS**, one of the most recent accomplishments under the
9 leadership of Dr. Maria Isabel Salomon was to lead the University of Guam
10 Nursing Program through the National League for Nursing Accrediting
11 Commission (NLNAC) site visit. The visit resulted in the Commission
12 recommending an additional eight (8) years accreditation for the University of
13 Guam Nursing Program; and

14 **WHEREAS**, the people of Guam are blessed to have someone such as
15 Dr. Maria Isabel Salomon in her leadership role. During her tenure, she has
16 taken on this role and kept the UOG Nursing Program and the Guam Nurses
17 Association moving forward in these difficult times; now, therefore, be it

18 **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina'Trenta Na*
19 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the
20 people of Guam, recognize, commend and congratulate Dr. Maria Isabel
21 Salomon on her retirement from the School of Nursing and Health Sciences,
22 University of Guam, and for her long list of accomplishments and

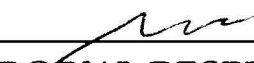
1 contributions; does extend *Un Dângkolo na Si Yu'os Ma'åse* to her for her
2 participation in numerous activities and events to promote and provide
3 optimal health care services to the people of Guam; and does further extend
4 best wishes to her on her future endeavors; and be it further

5 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and Chairperson of the Committee on
6 Rules certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and
7 that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Dr. Maria Isabel Salomon;
8 to the School of Nursing and Health Sciences, University of Guam; to
9 Bernadette Santos, President of the Guam Nurses Association; to Jean Blais,
10 President of the University of Guam Student Nurses Association of Guam; to
11 Dr. Robert A. Underwood, President of the University of Guam; to the
12 Honorable Madeleine Z. Bordallo, Member of Congress, U.S. House of
13 Representatives; and to the Honorable Felix P. Camacho, *I Maga'lahren Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES
OF I MINA'TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THIS 9TH DAY OF
JULY, 2010.**



JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D.
Speaker



RORY J. RESPICIO
Chairperson, Committee on Rules



TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES
Legislative Secretary