I MINA'TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN 2009 (FIRST) REGULAR SESSION

Resolution No. <u>79</u> (COR)

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Relative to commending and congratulating Katsuaki Kobayashi on his retirement and to extend a Un Dangkolo Na Si Yu'os Ma'ase' for forty three (43) years of work in Guam's travel industry.

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| 1 | BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF <i>I</i> | 5 MI IO: |
| 2 | MINA'TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN: | 9 1 0 |
| 3 | WHEREAS, Mr. Kobayashi entered the tourism industry in April 1966 | 6 |
| 4 | when he began work for the Japan Travel Bureau, later becoming General Mar | nager |
| 5 | Sales & Marketing of Pacific Micronesian Tours, Inc (PMT) in 1996; and | |
| 6 | WHEREAS, Mr. Kobayashi's tireless work rewarded him with the posi | tion |
| 7 | of Director General Manager Sales & Marketing of PMT in 1999; and | |
| 8 | WHEREAS, despite Guam's economic hardships resulting from the | |
| 9 | September 11, 2001 terrorist attack, devastating typhoons, and SARS outbreak | • |
| 10 | Kobayashi's tenacity at PMT resulted in the creation of tour packages to Guam | and |
| 11 | Micronesia, exclusive package tours, wedding tours, and school excursion tour | 'S |
| 12 | aimed at promoting the beautiful island of Guam as a wonderful tourist destina | tion; |
| 13 | and | |
| 14 | WHEREAS, in reflection of his marketing knowledge and hard work, M | ⁄Ir. |
| 15 | Kobayashi became Representative Director of PMT; then in 2006 he became | |

President and CEO of PMT, President of PMT Guam Corporation, President and 1 CEO of T.P. Micronesia, Inc., the holding company for Lam Lam Tours & 2 Transportation, Chairman of Japan Guam Tourism Council Kanto (JGTC Kanto), 3 4 and in 2009 he was promoted as Corporate Advisor of PMT and PMT Guam Corporation; and 5 WHEREAS, as a direct result of his outstanding effort from 1999 to 2009, 6 PMT has handled over 2,230,000 customers with an operating share of Japanese 7 tourists at approximately twenty-six percent (26%); and 8 9 WHEREAS, as President of JGTC Kanto in 2006, he has coordinated with the Guam Visitors Bureau to bring Japanese tourists to Guam; and 10 WHEREAS, being an expert in the tourism industry, Mr. Kobayashi 11 worked closely with Lam Lam Tours & Transportation to enhance the bus 12 operations for tourists traveling throughout the Tumon and Hagåtña area; and 13 WHEREAS, Mr. Kobayashi initiated a Japanese Language Program for 14 15 tourist related industry employees of the A.B. Won Pat Guam International Airport 16 and interested tenants; and WHEREAS, Mr. Kobayashi is an outstanding paradigm for professionalism 17 and work ethic in the tourism industry, and his expertise in varied branches of the 18 19 industry will bring tourists to the island of Guam for many years to come; now, therefore, be it 20 **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina 'Trenta Na* 21 Liheslaturan Guåhan does hereby, on behalf of I Liheslaturan Guåhan and the 22 people of Guam, commend and congratulate Katsuaki Kobayashi on his retirement 23 24 and extends a Un Dangkolo Na Si Yu'os Ma'ase' for forty three (43) years of work in Guam's travel industry; and be it further 25 26 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules certify, and the Secretary of the Legislature attest to, the adoption hereof and 27

- 1 that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Katsuaki Kobayashi; and to the
- 2 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 ____ DAY OF _____ 2009.

JUDITH T. WON PAT, ED.D. Speaker

RORY J. RESPICIO Chairperson, Committee on Rules

TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES Secretary of the Legislature