

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

Res. No. 194-30(COR)

Introduced by:

J. V. Espaldon 

Relative to congratulating and commending Colonel David M. Cruz, Jr. on his retirement from the National Guard and to express our sincere gratitude for his thirty-three years of public service and dedication to the people of Guam.

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1 **BE IT RESOLVED BY *I MINA'TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN***
2 ***GUÁHAN* ON BEHALF OF THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:**

3 **WHEREAS**, Colonel David M. Cruz, Jr. retired after twenty-seven (27)
4 years of service from the Guam National Guard and six years U. S. Air Force. As
5 U.S. Property and Fiscal Officer for Guam, he was accountable for over \$50 M of
6 annual federal funding, \$30 M of equipment and over \$50 M of real property. He
7 directed a staff of over 54; and

8 **WHEREAS**, David M. Cruz, Jr. began his military career when he enlisted
9 in the United States Air Force in June 1971, was on active duty in George Air
10 Force Base, California for two years and separated under the Palace Chase
11 Program in September 1973 and Air Force Reserve, 1977, and

12 **WHEREAS**, David M. Cruz, Jr. returned to Guam and taught public high
13 school until 1985; and

14 **WHEREAS**, David M. Cruz, Jr. started his Air National Guard career as a
15 charter member in April, 1982. He was promoted to Second Lieutenant in 1983, to
16 First Lieutenant in 1986, to Captain in 1989, to Major in 1993, to Lieutenant
17 Colonel in 1997 and Colonel in 2004; and

1 **WHEREAS**, Colonel David M. Cruz, Jr. served in a traditional status in the
2 Civil Engineering Flight and as a Disaster Preparedness Officer in the
3 Headquarters, Guam Air National Guard; and

4 **WHEREAS**, since 1985, Colonel David M. Cruz, Jr. served on Active
5 Guard / Reserve (AGR) status, Guam Air National Guard as the 254 Air Base
6 Group Resource Manager, Commander, Chief of Staff, and, active duty U.S. Air
7 Force as the U.S. Property and Fiscal Officer, Guam for the Chief, National Guard
8 Bureau; and

9 **WHEREAS**, Colonel David M. Cruz, Jr. received the Meritorious Service
10 Medal, Air Force Commendation Medal, Air Force Outstanding Unit Award, Joint
11 Meritorious Unit Award, National Defense Medal (2 devices), Humanitarian
12 Service Medals (2 devices), Air Force Longevity Service Awards (9 devices),
13 Armed Forces Reserve Medal (1 device), Air Force Training Ribbon, Guam
14 National Guard Distinguished Service Medal, Guam National Guard
15 Commendation Medal (2 devices), Guam National Guard Organizational Medal
16 (Charter Member) and Guam National Guard Faithful Service Medal (27 years);
17 and

18 **WHEREAS**, through his dedication and commitment both to his profession
19 and to serving our island and country, Colonel David M. Cruz, Jr. serves as a
20 wonderful role model for others to emulate; now therefore be it

21 **RESOLVED**, that *I Mina'Trenta Na Liheslaturan Guahan* does hereby, on
22 behalf of the people of Guam commend and congratulate Colonel David M. Cruz,
23 Jr. for his thirty-three years of service to the people of Guam and expresses sincere
24 gratitude for his contributions to the Guam National Guard and our island
25 community; and be it further

1 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker certify to and the Secretary of the Legislature
2 attest the adoption hereof and that copies of the same be transmitted to Colonel
3 David M. Cruz, Jr. and the Honorable Felix P. Camacho, *I Maga'lahen Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY I MINA' TRENTA NA
LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE ____ DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2009.**

JUDITH T. WON PAT

Speaker

TINA ROSE MUNA BARNES

Secretary of the Legislature