## I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN 2011 (FIRST) Regular Session

## **Resolution No. 3-31 (COR)**

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Relative to recognizing and honoring the late Honorable Adalbert Eledui as a seminal leader of the Pacific and the people of Palau; and to further extending condolences to his family on his passing.

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

3 WHEREAS, the late Honorable Senator Adalbert Eledui was born on 4 August 5, 1948; and his parents are the late Eledui Omeliakl of Koror State 5 and the late Huyuko Wong of Peleliu State, Republic of Palau; and

WHEREAS, the Honorable Senator Adalbert Eledui began his education
in Palau at the Seventh Day Adventist Elementary School; he graduated from
Palau High School in 1968; and he went on to further his education at the
University of Guam; and

WHEREAS, the Honorable Senator Adalbert Eledui later joined the
United States Army in 1970. During the Honorable Senator Adalbert Eledui's
tenure in the United States Army, he received numerous honors and training,
including education in military-related specialties and duties; and

WHEREAS, the Honorable Senator Adalbert Eledui began his military
career at the Basic Non-Commissioned Officer School in Hawaii, where he
became well versed in military discipline, military justice, custom, courtesy,
drill, and ceremony; and

WHEREAS, the Honorable Senator Adalbert Eledui went on to attend the United States Army Basic Field Artillery and Missiles School in Oklahoma in 1976, progressing to the United States Army Advanced Field Artillery and Missiles School, where he achieved Subject Matter Expert status in Field Artillery and Missile use in 1981; and WHEREAS, the Honorable Senator Adalbert Eledui took the United
 States Army First Sergeants Course in company/battery size administration
 and logistics in 1981; and

WHEREAS, the Honorable Senator Adalbert Eledui attended the United
States Army Sergeants Major Academy in Texas, where he achieved
professional status in military doctrine, becoming well versed in military
science, administration, organization, customs, and courtesy; and

8 WHEREAS, the Honorable Senator Adalbert Eledui retired from the 9 United States Army as a Sergeant Major in 1992, and he returned to Palau to 10 serve his country; and

WHEREAS, the Honorable Senator Adalbert Eledui had also earned a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Administration-Organizational Management from the University of North Carolina at Pembroke through an extension program of the United States Military Academy; and

WHEREAS, the Honorable Senator Adalbert Eledui, after returning to Palau, became an active member of the community and served in many public organizations, to include serving as a member of the Palau Sports Fishing Association; serving as Vice Chairman of Palau Boat Racing Association; and serving as Chairman of the Koror Babeldaob Bridge Disaster Committee for Transportation; and

21 WHEREAS, the Honorable Senator Adalbert Eledui was one of the 22 founding members of the Palau Conservation Society, and was a member of the technical working group that established the Palau International Coral
 Reef Center; and

WHEREAS, the Honorable Senator Adalbert Eledui spent most of his
years in public service with the Koror State Government; and

5 WHEREAS, the Honorable Senator Adalbert Eledui initiated the current 6 efforts of Koror State to nominate the Rock Islands Southern Lagoon as a 7 United Nations Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) 8 World Heritage site and was instrumental in designing and developing the 9 Rock Islands Southern Lagoon Management Plan, the Rangers compliance 10 guide, the Koror State Tour Guide Certification Program, and the 11 Conservation Awareness Program for Koror and the Republic of Palau; and

WHEREAS, the Honorable Senator Adalbert Eledui was instrumental in the establishment of the marine protected areas within Koror State, including Ngemelis, Ngerumekaol, and Ngerukewid, and was influential in the creation and development of the diving fee and Rock Islands' user fee; and

16 WHEREAS, the Honorable Senator Adalbert Eledui served as the 17 Director of the Koror State Department of Conservation and Law Enforcement 18 until he was elected as a member of the Senate of the Eighth (8<sup>th</sup>) Olbiil Era 19 Kelulau, and he played a key role in the establishment of Ebiil Conservation 20 Area in Ngarchelong State; and

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WHEREAS, the Honorable Senator Adalbert Eledui was elected by his
 colleagues to serve as the Chairman of the Senate Committee on Resources,
 Commerce, Trade, and Development; and

WHEREAS, during the Honorable Senator Adalbert Eledui's time as a
Senator he had introduced numerous bills governing different subject areas
with the ultimate goals of advancing the Republic's economic and financial
status, empowering state governments, and moving toward a financially selfsustained Palau; and

9 WHEREAS, the Honorable Senator Adalbert Eledui was bestowed the 10 title "Adelbai er Kesoal", the first ranking chief of Ngerkesoal Hamlet and a 11 member of the Rubekul Keldeu of Koror State; and

WHEREAS, the Honorable Senator Adalbert Eledui, due to his excellent leadership in his home island, was elected by his colleagues to serve as the Chairman of the Senate Committee on Resources, Commerce, Trade, and Development; and

16 WHEREAS, the Honorable Senator Adalbert Eledui took this 17 environmentalist approach to the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures, a 18 regional organization of policy makers from throughout Micronesia and the 19 Pacific; and

WHEREAS, the Honorable Senator Adalbert Eledui served on the APIL
Board of Directors during its 2008-2009 and 2009-2010 Terms; and

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WHEREAS, on December 14, 2010, the Honorable Senator Adalbert
 Eledui was called to his eternal rest at the age of sixty-two (62) years; and

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WHEREAS, the late Honorable Senator Adalbert Eledui is survived by
his wife, Elena Tellei; his daughter, Edelene Osedil Uriarte; and his siblings:
Francesca Eledui Alfonso; James Wong; Julisto Ngirngeruangel; Lt. Col. Willy
Eledui (retired); Terry Eledui Ngiraingas; Doris Eledui Ito; Kenny Eledui;
Vivian Eledui; Yoshiwo Eledui; Judy Eledui; Johaina Eledui; Alfonso Eledui;
Larrie P. Eledui; and Dennis Eledui; and

9 WHEREAS, at the time of his passing, the late Honorable Senator 10 Adalbert Eledui was a member of Palau National Congress (Olbiil Era 11 Kelulau), and he had served as Chairman of the Senate Committee on 12 Resources, Commerce, Trade, and Development, dedicating his passion and 13 leadership in preparing Palau for future challenges; now, therefore, be it

14 **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina'trentai Unu Na* 15 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the 16 people of Guam, recognize and honor the late Honorable Adalbert Eledui as a 17 seminal Pacific Island leader; does extend a most sincere *Un Dångkolo Na Si* 18 *Yu'os Ma'åse* to him for his efforts in serving the people of Palau; and does 19 further extend condolences to his family on his passing; and be it further

20 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on 21 Rules certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and 22 that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to the late Honorable

- 1 Adalbert Eledui's wife, Elena Tellei, and family; and to the Honorable Edward
- 2 J.B. Calvo, I Maga'lahen Guåhan.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF *I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* ON THE 7<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF JANUARY, 2010.

WON PAT, Ed.D. RORY LÆSPICIO Speaker Chairperson, Committee on Rules TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES Legislative Secretary