

***I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN***  
**2011 (FIRST) Regular Session**

**Resolution No. 156-31 (COR)**

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**Relative to recognizing, commending, and thanking educator Arlene Reyes Unpingco for her dedication to the education of our children and families; and to further congratulating her on the occasion of her retirement.**

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

3        **WHEREAS**, Arlene Reyes Unpingco was born September 15, 1956, and she  
4        is the daughter of Jesusa Aguon Reyes and Jose Blas Reyes; and

5        **WHEREAS**, Arlene resided in the village of *Tamuning*; she graduated from  
6        John F. Kennedy High School in 1974, and then attended the University of Guam,  
7        where she earned a Bachelor's Degree in Elementary Education and Special

1 Education in May 1986, and a Master’s Degree in Administration and Supervision in  
2 December 2000; and

3       **WHEREAS**, throughout her career, Arlene has been a tireless and inspirational  
4 individual, serving as a special education teacher from August 1986 to August 1989;  
5 as a general education teacher from August 1989 through June 1991; as an elementary  
6 and middle school teacher from August 2001 to June 2003 at Harry S. Truman  
7 Elementary School, Maria Ulloa Elementary School, and V.S.A Benavente Middle  
8 School; as well as serving as a consulting resource teacher within the DOE Division of  
9 Special Education from August 1991 to June 1996; as a career education instructor  
10 with the Guam Agency for Human Resource and Development BRET Summer  
11 Program in June 1996; as a Summer School Site Coordinator in June 1998; as a  
12 presenter during the Learning Styles Workshop, DOE Division of Special Education  
13 in September 1998; and as a presenter during the School Leadership and  
14 Administration, University of Guam in October 2010; and

15       **WHEREAS**, from October 2004 to January 2005, Arlene served as the  
16 Secondary School Assistant Principal at C. L. Taitano Elementary School; and she  
17 then served as the Principal of C. L. Taitano Elementary from January 2005 through  
18 December 2008, before transferring to the position of DOE Deputy Superintendent of  
19 Educational Support and Community Learning, where she served from December  
20 2008 through July 2011; and

21       **WHEREAS**, Arlene received commendations and awards, including:  
22 recognition for providing a Quality Mainstream Educational Experience, Division of  
23 Special Education, June 1989; the Service Award, DOE/AHRD BRET Summer  
24 Program, 1990; the International Summer Olympics Games, Minneapolis/Saint Paul,  
25 Minnesota, 1991; Building School Teams Strategies for Effective Collaboration, June  
26 1993; the Home-School Connection Award, February 1994; the Teaching the Tough

1 to Teach Award, September 1998; and the Second Step Youth Violence Prevention  
2 Program Award, April 2002; and

3 **WHEREAS**, Arlene’s professional and civic accomplishments include:  
4 Administration of Norm Reference Tests, SAT8 and GOALS; Administration of  
5 BEST Test; Administration of the National Assessment of Educational Progress;  
6 Member, Child Study Team; Member, Grievance Committee; Member, Retention  
7 Committee; Member, School Level Improvement Plan; Teacher Mentor; Site  
8 Coordinator, Guam Special Olympics; Learning Styles Trainer; Cooperative Learning  
9 Trainer; Integrated Curriculum Trainer; and Catechist, San Juan Bautista Catholic  
10 Church; and

11 **WHEREAS**, Arlene facilitated the “Education for All” (Full Inclusion) at P.C.  
12 Lujan Elementary School; she implemented weekly bulletins for School  
13 Administrators and Division Heads; she implemented district monthly professional  
14 development sessions with School Administrators; she conducted home visits to invite  
15 parents to school; she developed a leadership team, and maintained high standards and  
16 accountability for School Administrators; and

17 **WHEREAS**, Arlene is married to Steven Sablan Unpingco, and she is the  
18 proud mother and mother-in-law of Jan Bermudes and Marcus Upshaw; Jason and  
19 Joreese Benavente Bermudes; Jossalyn Bermudes; Steven Unpingco, Jr.; and Michael  
20 Unpingco; and

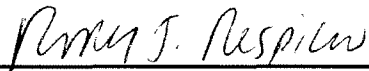
21 **WHEREAS**, Arlene is also the proud grandmother of Brandon Bermudes,  
22 Jaylene Bermudes, Jenna Bermudes, and Kailani Upshaw; now therefore, be it

23 **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina’ Trentai Unu Na*  
24 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the  
25 people of Guam, recognize, commend, and thank Mrs. Arlene Reyes Unpingco for  
26 her dedication to the education of our children and families for the past twenty-five

1 (25) years; and does further congratulate her on the occasion of her retirement; and be  
2 it further

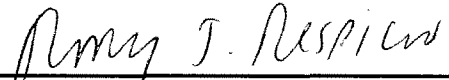
3 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules  
4 certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of  
5 the same be thereafter transmitted to Mrs. Arlene Reyes Unpingco; and to the  
6 Honorable Edward J.B. Calvo, *I Maga'lahaen Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF  
I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE 11<sup>TH</sup> DAY  
OF JULY 2011.**



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**RORY J. RESPICIO**  
Acting Speaker



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**RORY J. RESPICIO**  
Chairperson, Committee on Rules



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**ADOLPHO B. PALACIOS, SR.**  
Acting Legislative Secretary