

I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
(SECOND) Regular Session

Resolution No. 651-31(LS)

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Relative to recognizing and commending Catherine N. Illarmo for her forty-four (44) years of dedication to Guam’s social and veteran support services, and congratulating her on the occasion of her retirement from the Guam Vet Center, Readjustment Counseling Service, Department of Veterans Affairs; and to further expressing a most sincere *Un Dångkolo Na Si Yu'os Ma'åse'* to her for her commitment to the people of Guam.

1 **BE IT RESOLVED BY *I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA***
2 ***LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN:***

3 **WHEREAS,** Catherine N. “Cathy” Illarmo, originally from the village of
4 ***Yigo***, and now from the village of *Mangilao*, was born in 1945; and is the
5 daughter of †Peter Nelson and †Laura Sgambelluri Nelson; and

1 **WHEREAS**, Cathy is married to John A. Illarmo (COL, Ret.), and is the
2 mother of Eric and Kristen, Marcello, and Christina; and is the grandmother of
3 Josephine Eve; and

4 **WHEREAS**, in 1972, Cathy received a Master of Arts degree in Social
5 Work from the University of Hawai'i; and from 1974 to 1975, Cathy did post-
6 graduate training at the Alfred Alder Institute in Chicago, Illinois; and

7 **WHEREAS**, from 1968 to 1974, Cathy held the position of Social
8 Worker I to IV with the Public Welfare Division of the Department of Public
9 Health and Social Services (DPHSS); and

10 **WHEREAS**, from 1974 to 1977, Cathy was a Family Counselor with the
11 Superior Court of Guam; and

12 **WHEREAS**, Cathy then returned to the Public Welfare Division of
13 DPHSS, where she served as the Chief of the Human Services Administration,
14 from 1977 to 1989; and

15 **WHEREAS**, from 1989 to 1992, Cathy worked as a Social Worker for
16 the U.S. Air Force Family Advocacy Program at Andersen Air Force Base; and

17 **WHEREAS**, from 1993 to 2000, Cathy held the position of Social
18 Worker with the Navy Fleet & Family Support Center; and

19 **WHEREAS**, from 2000 to 2002, Cathy was a Family Life Consultant
20 with the Family Support Center at Andersen Air Force Base; and

21 **WHEREAS**, from 2002 to the present, Cathy has been Team Leader and
22 Clinical Social Worker at the Guam Vet Center, Readjustment Counseling
23 Service, Department of Veterans Affairs, where she has worked with combat
24 veterans and families coping with post traumatic stress disorder and associated
25 issues; and

1 **WHEREAS**, during her tenure at the Guam Vet Center, Cathy has
2 spearheaded the organization of the annual Guam Veterans’ Creative Arts
3 Showcase and the annual Women Veterans Conference; and because of her
4 hard work on these two (2) important events over the years, Cathy has garnered
5 the utmost respect and appreciation from Veterans, their families, the co-
6 organizers, and those who have had the opportunity to work alongside her; and

7 **WHEREAS**, through her work in the field of social services, Cathy had
8 been recognized by the Guam Association of Social Workers as “Social Worker
9 of the Year” in 1984; and in 1988, she was recognized as “Outstanding Charter
10 Member”; and

11 **WHEREAS**, for a significant portion of her professional life, Cathy has
12 dedicated herself to the psychological and social well-being of the people of
13 Guam; and

14 **WHEREAS**, Cathy has decided to retire in December 2012, after forty-
15 four (44) years of public service, and she has left a positive mark on the Veteran
16 community and our island community as a whole; and her colleagues, family
17 and friends wish her the best on this well-deserved retirement; now therefore,
18 be it

19 **RESOLVED**, that *I Mina’Trentai Unu Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does
20 hereby, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the people of Guam, recognize
21 and commend Mrs. Catherine N. Illarmo for her forty-four (44) years of
22 dedication to Guam’s social and veteran support services; does congratulate her
23 on the occasion of her retirement from the Guam Vet Center, Readjustment
24 Counseling Service, Department of Veterans Affairs; and does further express a
25 most sincere *Un Dângkolo Na Si Yu’os Ma’åse’* to her for her commitment to
26 the people of Guam; and be it further

1 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker certify, and the Legislative Secretary
2 attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter
3 transmitted to Mrs. Catherine N. Illarmo; to the Guam Vet Center,
4 Readjustment Counseling Service, Department of Veterans Affairs; and to the
5 Honorable Edward B. Calvo, *I Maga'lahren Guåhan*.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY *I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* ON THE 11TH DAY OF DECEMBER 2012.



JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D.
Speaker



TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES
Legislative Secretary