

I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
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Relative to posthumously recognizing and commending Dr. Sinforsoso C. Tolentino; and to further extending a warm *Un Dångkolo Na Si Yu'os Ma'åse'* to him for his commitment and dedicated work in serving the people of Guam throughout his professional years in the healthcare community.

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

3 **WHEREAS**, Dr. Sinforoso C. Tolentino was born on July 26, 1919, in Baguio,
4 Ilocos Sur, Philippines, and he enjoyed the gift of life until May 21, 2005, in
5 Roseville, California. He was the son of the late Eleuterio and Agustine C. Tolentino;
6 and

7 **WHEREAS**, Dr. Tolentino was married to Concepcion Y. Martinez in 1959,
8 and they had six (6) children: Alberto, Clarissa, Nieves, Sinforoso, Angela and
9 Dominica. Along with their children, they were also blessed with ten (10)
10 grandchildren: Tamineh, Brandon, Angela, Kiana, Ana, Annika, Alfred, Kristin,
11 Sinforoso and Akayla; and

12 **WHEREAS**, during World War II, Dr. Tolentino had pursued his studies in
13 Medicine at the University of the Philippines in Manila, Philippines, where he
14 graduated in 1945. He then became a resident physician in Baguio City, Philippines;
15 and

16 **WHEREAS**, later in his profession, Dr. Tolentino was employed with the
17 Orthopedic Hospital in Manila, which encouraged his interest in orthopedic surgery.
18 In addition, from 1953 to 1958, he served as a resident physician at the University of
19 Pennsylvania in Philadelphia, specializing in orthopedics; and

20 **WHEREAS**, in 1958, Dr. Tolentino arrived on Guam after responding to an
21 advertisement for an orthopedic doctor for the Guam Memorial Hospital (GMH). He
22 worked with GMH from 1958 to 1997; and he had served at the Catholic Medical
23 Center for two (2) years as a consultant; and

24 **WHEREAS**, from the 1960s to 1997, Dr. Tolentino operated his own private
25 practice, but he continued to work at the Guam Memorial Hospital until his retirement

1 from medicine in 1997; and had continued his service with the Catholic Medical
2 Center as a consultant until its closing; and

3 **WHEREAS**, for thirteen (13) years, Dr. Tolentino was the only orthopedic
4 surgeon at the Guam Memorial Hospital, until Dr. Jan Bollinger arrived in the 1970s.
5 For several years, the two (2) shared a clinic at the ITC Building in *Tamuning*; and

6 **WHEREAS**, aside from his dedicated services in his medical practice with his
7 clinic and the GMH, Dr. Tolentino also participated in the U.S. Selective Service; the
8 Department of Public Health, Crippled Children Services; the Department of
9 Corrections Parole Board; and Department of Labor Workers Compensation
10 Commission; and

11 **WHEREAS**, Dr. Tolentino's excellent skills and knowledge also enabled him
12 to serve and be a part of the Western Pacific Medical Association, the American
13 Medical Association, the Guam Medical Society, the University of the Philippines
14 Medical Alumni Society, the Rotary Club of *Tumon* Bay, and the Paul Harris
15 Fellowship; and

16 **WHEREAS**, Dr. Sinforsoso Tolentino had been truly loved by his family,
17 friends and colleagues as he strived to attend to the healthcare needs of the people of
18 Guam; and the Guam Medical Society comes together to honor and remember Dr.
19 Sinforsoso Tolentino for the invaluable services that he has contributed to the
20 healthcare of the people of our island; now therefore, be it

21 **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina'Trentai Unu Na I*
22 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the people
23 of Guam, posthumously recognize and commend Dr. Sinforsoso C. Tolentino; and
24 does further extend a sincere *Un Dångkolo Na Si Yu'os Ma'åse'* to him for his
25 commitment and dedicated work in serving the people of Guam throughout his
26 professional years in the healthcare community; and be it further

1 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules
2 certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of
3 the same be thereafter transmitted to the family of the late Dr. Sinforoso C. Tolentino;
4 and to the Honorable Edward 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 THIS 18TH DAY
OF OCTOBER 2012.**



JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D.
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Legislative Secretary