

I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
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Relative to posthumously recognizing and commending Dr. Ruben D. Basilio; 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. Ruben D. Basilio was born on September 3, 1936 in**
4 **Pampanga, Philippines; and he departed from his earthly home in June 2007 after**
5 **enjoying the gift of life for seventy (70) years. He was married to Dr. Maria Lourdes**

1 C. Basilio for forty-four (44) years; and they were blessed with four (4) children and
2 six (6) grandchildren; and

3 **WHEREAS**, in his academic years, Dr. Basilio obtained his medical degree
4 from the University of Santo Tomas in Manila, Philippines in 1961; and he passed his
5 Medical Board examination to practice medicine the same year. He finished his two
6 (2) year residency in Internal Medicine, from 1961 to 1963, at the joint U.S. and
7 Philippines Veterans Memorial Hospital (VMH) in Quezon City, Philippines; and

8 **WHEREAS**, from 1963 to 1970, Dr. Basilio and his wife resided in Brooklyn,
9 New York, where he completed an accredited residency in Internal Medicine, and
10 joined a training program for Nephrology; and

11 **WHEREAS**, in 1970, Dr. Basilio brought his family back to the Philippines
12 and served as a consultant in Internal Medicine; and he pioneered the first
13 Hemodialysis unit at the Veteran's Memorial Hospital in Manila, Philippines. In
14 addition, Dr. Basilio was a team member of the first kidney transplant at the VMH;
15 and

16 **WHEREAS**, after receiving his board certification, Dr. Basilio returned to
17 Manila, Philippines to practice Pediatrics, and he became a professor at his alma
18 mater, the University of Santo Tomas. Later, in 1957, he traveled to Los Angeles,
19 California to participate in a one (1) year Pediatric Hematology Fellowship at the
20 University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA); and

21 **WHEREAS**, in 1974, Dr. Basilio moved his family to Guam, being sponsored
22 by the late Dr. Ernesto Espaldon, and he eventually went into private practice; and

23 **WHEREAS**, under Dr. Basilio's guidance and directorship, Hemodialysis was
24 first offered on Guam at the Guam Memorial Hospital; and in 1993, Continuous
25 Abdominal Peritoneal Dialysis (CAPD) was offered as an alternative to Hemodialysis;
26 and

1 **WHEREAS**, for twenty-two (22) years, from 1974 to 1996, Dr. Basilio was
2 the only Nephrologist on Guam. He was also instrumental in starting the first
3 Outpatient Hemodialysis Center on Guam. In 2005, Dr. Basilio went into semi-
4 retirement, giving up inpatient hemodialysis care, and concentrating on outpatient
5 dialysis service; and

6 **WHEREAS**, Dr. Basilio had also served with great pride in the position of
7 Director of Hemodialysis at the Guam Memorial Hospital, from 1997 to 2005; and

8 **WHEREAS**, Dr. Ruben Basilio was a good family man, unassuming, humble
9 and dedicated. Family was foremost in his interests, and every free time was spent
10 with them traveling. His greatest wish was for one of his children to follow in his
11 footsteps as a doctor, although he did not pressure them. He was happy as long as
12 they pursued their education to the fullest, and were able to sustain a family with
13 honor, honesty, and integrity; and

14 **WHEREAS**, Dr. Basilio's family, friends, and the Guam Medical Society have
15 come together to honor and remember the invaluable services that Dr. Ruben D.
16 Basilio has contributed to the healthcare of the people of our island; now therefore, be
17 it

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

24 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules
25 certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of

- 1 the same be thereafter transmitted to the family of the late Dr. Ruben D. Basilio; and
- 2 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.
Speaker



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Legislative Secretary