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Introduced by:

Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr. 

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**RELATIVE TO COMMENDING AND RECOGNIZING  
MR. PAOLO BENIGNO “BAM” A. AQUINO IV AND  
FOR EXTENDING A SINCERE *UN DANGKOLO NA SI  
YU’OS MA’ASE* TO HIM FOR BEING THE KEYNOTE  
SPEAKER OF GUAM’S 113<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY  
CELEBRATION OF PHILIPPINE INDEPENDENCE**

1 **BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF**

2 ***I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN:***

3 **WHEREAS,** Mr. Paolo Benigno “Bam” A. Aquino was chosen by the  
4 Philippine Consulate and the Filipino Community of Guam as the keynote speaker  
5 of the Guam’s celebration banquet of the 113<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Philippine  
6 Independence due to his impressive record of service and outstanding commitment  
7 to his community ; and

8 **WHEREAS,** Mr. Aquino has been the president of Microventures, Inc.  
9 since June 2007, before which he was the managing director since January 2007.  
10 Miroventures, Inc. is a social business enterprise that does business development

1 for the poor through its partner micro finance institutions and it currently runs the  
2 Hapinoy Program which is a full service support program for micro entrepreneurs  
3 in the Philippine countryside; and

4 **WHEREAS**, he has also been the president of the TAYO Foundation since  
5 2006 which oversees the yearly search for the most outstanding youth  
6 organizations in the Philippines; and

7 **WHEREAS**, “Bam” was the host of Start-up, a television show for budding  
8 entrepreneurs from November 2008 to August 2009; the host of Yspeak, Studio 23,  
9 a youth-oriented debate show from July 2006 to February 2007, and the host of  
10 Breakfast at Studio 23 which was a youth-oriented morning talk show from April  
11 2001 to July 2006 on the Philippine’s premier news channel ABS-CBM; and

12 **WHEREAS**, Mr. Aquino was the editor of the ASEAN 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary  
13 book that focuses on young achievers in the region called *Young Southeast Asia*  
14 which was published in 2007; and

15 **WHEREAS**, he was the president of Megamobile, Inc., a mobile solutions  
16 provider for small and medium enterprises from September 2006 to February 2008;  
17 and

18 **WHEREAS**, Mr. Paolo Benigno “Bam” A. Aquino was also the Chairman  
19 and Chief executive Officer of the National Youth Commission which is the chief  
20 youth policy-making arm of the Philippine government from February 2003 to  
21 February 2006 and formerly served as the Commissioner-at-large in the same  
22 commission from May 2001 prior to his appointment as Chairman; and

23 **WHEREAS**, he was involved with rehabilitation centers for abused and  
24 neglected children, disaster management, relief operations and volunteer  
25 recruitment through Special Projects Group of the ABS-CBN Foundation from  
26 May 1999 to May 2000; and

1           **WHEREAS**, Mr. Paolo Benigno “Bam” A. Aquino was also a standout  
2 student throughout his academic life, graduating as valedictorian from both Ateneo  
3 de Manila Grade School and Ateneo de Manila High School. He graduated with a  
4 Bachelor of Science in Management Engineering from Ateneo de Manila  
5 University as class valedictorian with summa cum laude honors. “Bam” also  
6 attended the Ateneo de Manila Law School from 2000 to 2001 and the Kennedy  
7 School of Government at Harvard University for an Executive Education Program  
8 on Public Policy and Leadership in December 2008; and

9           **WHEREAS**, Mr. Paolo Benigno “Bam” A. Aquino has been the recipient of  
10 many awards and recognitions throughout his young life; and

11           **WHEREAS**, he was named as one of the “Ten Outstanding Young Men of  
12 the Philippines 2010” by the Philippine Jaycees; Co-Finalist for the “Ernst and  
13 Young Entrepreneur of the Year 2010;” “PLDT Bossing Co-Awardee 2010” in the  
14 Retail Financing Category, awarded by the PLDT; “GONegosyo Inspiring Young  
15 Entrepreneur 2010,” awarded by GoNegosyo; “Young Global Leader” by the  
16 World Economic Forum in Canada in 2006; and

17           **WHEREAS**, Mr. Aquino has also been a member of the board of the Coca-  
18 Cola Foundation and Rags2Riches, Inc. since September 2007; a member of Asia  
19 Society’s Asia 21 Young Leader’s Forum since February 2006; member of the  
20 Board of Trustees for Venture for Fund-Raising since 2002; he served as the  
21 ambassador for the Haribon Foundation from March 2004 to March 2006; as  
22 chairman of the ASEAN Ministerial Meeting on Youth in Manila, Philippines in  
23 August 2003; and as spokesperson of The Children’s Hour to raise resources for  
24 poor children through donations from 2002 to 2004;; and

25           **WHEREAS**, he served as president of the Ateneo de Manila University  
26 student council, Sanggunian ng mga Mag-aaral from 1998 to 1999; was a founding  
27 member and constitutional chairman of the National union of Catholic Student

1 Councils; and was recognized as “Jose Rizal Most Outstanding Model Student of  
2 the Philippines” in 1999 and as one of the “Merit Top Ten College Co-eds” in  
3 1999; and now, therefore be it

4 **RESOLVED**, *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the people of Guam, commend  
5 and recognize Mr. Paolo Benigno “Bam” A. Aquino and extend a sincere *Un*  
6 *Dangkolo Na Si Yu’os Ma’åse’* to him for being the keynote speaker for the 113<sup>th</sup>  
7 Philippine Independence Celebration for Guam hosted by the Philippine Consulate  
8 and the Filipino Community of Guam.; and be it further

9 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairman of the Committee on  
10 Rules certify, and the Secretary of the Legislature attest to , the adoption hereof,  
11 and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Mr. Paolo Benigno “Bam”  
12 A. Aquino 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 THE \_\_\_\_\_  
DAY OF JUNE, 2011.**

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**JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D**  
Speaker

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**RORY RESPICIO**  
Chairman, Committee on Rules

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**TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES**  
Legislative Secretary