Adolpho B. Palacios, Sr. I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN THIRTY-FIRST GUAM LEGISLATURE 2011 (FIRST) Regular Session

Resolution No. $284 - 31 (\cos R)$

Introduced by:

Relative to congratulating the newly-elected Officers and Board of Directors of the Original Zambales Families Association of Guam on the occasion of their induction; to commending the organization's outgoing Officers and Board of Directors; and to extending a sincere Un Dångkolo' Na Si Yu'os Ma'åse' to the organization's members for their contributions to our Island Community.

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

1 WHEREAS, eleven (11) years ago, the Original Zambales Families Association of 2 Guam ("OZFAG") was established by families who relocated to Guam from the Philippine Province of Zambales: and 3

4 WHEREAS, these families organized the OZFAG to help their fellow Zambaleños 5 on Guam as they integrate with other ethnic communities in their respective 6 neighborhoods, place of work and worship and other areas of common interest; and

7 WHEREAS, since the OZFAG's founding, members of the organization continue to 8 donate their time, effort and financial assistance to various civic activities, disaster recovery 9 projects and charitable organizations aimed at benefiting residents of Guam and others 10 abroad; and

11 WHEREAS, members of the OZFAG have also contributed to various humanitarian 12 efforts, including fund-raising for patients requiring off-island medical treatment or families who have suffered the loss of a loved one and collection drives to assist victims of
natural disasters. Charitable organizations to which the OZFAG contributed assistance in
the year 2011 include the Lytico and Bodig Association of Guam, American Red Cross
(Guam Chapter) and the Rotary Club of Iba, Zambales; and

5 WHEREAS, during the month of August of every year, members of the OZFAG 6 celebrate the birth of one (1) of the Philippine's most memorable president and fellow 7 Zambaleño, the Honorable Ramon Magsaysay. The celebration of President Magsaysay's 8 birth reminds Zambaleños on Guam to live a life of humility and public service, which are 9 the very qualities OZFAG members embody in their personal and professional 10 relationships with other island residents; and

11 WHEREAS, through the collective efforts of its leaders, officers and Board of 12 Directors, the OZFAG also promotes events and activities that facilitate the interaction of 13 various ethnicities so as to foster understanding and camaraderie; and

14 WHEREAS, members of the OZFAG have adopted Guam as their new home and 15 have achieved an important place in Guam's culture through their participation in the 16 progress of the island's economic, political, and religious sectors; and

17 **WHEREAS,** the OZFAG serves as an invaluable resource upon which future 18 members may build, and in light of their service to the people of Guam, recognition and 19 commendation are in order; and now, therefore, be it

20 **RESOLVED**, that *I Mina' Trentai Unu na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf 21 of the people of Guam, congratulates the newly-elected Officers and Board of Directors of 22 the Original Zambales Families Association of Guam on the occasion of their induction; 23 commends the organization's outgoing Officers and Board of Directors; and extends a 24 sincere *Un Dångkolo' Na Si Yu'os Ma'åse'* to the organization's members for their 25 contributions to our Island Community; and be it further

26 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker certify and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the 27 adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Mr. Roger Elayda, OZFAG Incoming President; the Honorable Edgar Tomas Auxilian, Acting Head of Post,
Philippine Consulate General Office of Guam; and to the Honorable Edward J. B. Calvo, *I Maga'lahen Guåhan*.

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DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF *I MINA'TRENTAI UNU A NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* ON THE DAY OF DECEMBER 2011.

JUDITH T. WONPAT, Ed.D Speaker RORY J. RESPICIO Chairman, Committee on Rules

TINA ROSE MUÑA-BARNES Legislative Secretary