

I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN
2012 (SECOND) REGULAR SESSION

Resolution No. 297-31 (COR)

Introduced by:

A.A. Yamashita, PhD *MY*

Relative to commending, recognizing and thanking Mr. Romeo "Sam" Hernandez Sanguenza for his commitment and dedication to the protection of our nation and of our people for nearly forty years and for congratulating him on the occasion of his seventy-fifth birthday.

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

2 ***MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN:***

3 **WHEREAS**, Mr. Romeo "Sam" Hernandez Sanguenza dedicated
4 himself to the protection of the United States of America as a sailor in the
5 U.S. Navy for twenty-eight (28) years from 1959 to 1987, and, upon
6 retirement from the U.S. military, another eleven (11) years as a U.S.
7 Immigration Officer with the United States Immigration, Guam Office from
8 1989 to 2000; totaling thirty-nine (39) years; and,

9 **WHEREAS**, Mr. Sanguenza was born 18 February 1937 to Mr.
10 Damaso Verde Sanguenza and Mrs. Remedios Hernandez Sanguenza of San
11 Pablo, Nueva Ecija, Philippines; and, Mr. Sanguenza is the eldest of five (5)

1 children, including Mrs. Cora Sangueza Ramirez, Mr. Nestor H. Sangueza,
2 Mrs. Lolita Sangueza Carman, and Mr. Nario H. Sangueza; and

3 **WHEREAS**, Mr. Sangueza attended and graduated from Nueva Ecija
4 High School in 1954, and five (5) years later in 1959 enlisted in the U.S.
5 Navy from the Philippines, after his mother was informed that the U.S.
6 military was recruiting Filipino workers, and therefore, encouraged her son
7 to enlist; and,

8 **WHEREAS**, at the time, non- U.S. military members were relegated
9 to employment assignments such mess hall attendants, and while Mr.
10 Sangueza began his military career as a cook, he later studied to become an
11 Ocean Systems Technician, and would be an Ocean Systems Technician
12 Chief for the rest of his commission; and,

13 **WHEREAS**, after serving six (6) years in the navy, Mr. Sangueza, –
14 through a mutual friend – met and married his wife, Ms. Corazon Ramirez, a
15 teacher; and, the couple wed in a church in the Philippines in January 1965;
16 and,

17 **WHEREAS**, during his nearly three (3) decades of military service,
18 Mr. Sangueza traveled the world assigned to duty stations including:
19 Charleston Naval Station, South Carolina from December 1959 to July
20 1960; on the USS *Proteus*, Scotland from July 1960 to August 1961; on the

1 USS *Perch*, Philippines from November 1961 to August 1965; on the USS
2 *Segundo*, California from September 1965 to February 1967; Commander
3 Submarine Division San Diego, California from March 1967 to May 1968;
4 Naval Weapons Station, Virginia from June 1968 to July 1970; on the USS
5 *Tullibee*, Connecticut from December 1970 to March 1973; Naval Facility
6 Lewes, Delaware from July 1973 to July 1976; Naval Facility, Guam from
7 September 1976 to September 1980 and Patrol Squadron Wing ONE
8 Detachment, Guam from September 1980 to September 1984; and, Naval
9 Ocean Processing Facility, Hawaii from November 1984 to December 1987,
10 where Mr. Sanguenza retired as a U.S. Navy Chief Petty Officer; and,

11 **WHEREAS**, in 1976, after an assignment in Delaware, Mr. Sanguenza
12 was transferred to Guam, where he and Mrs. Sanguenza would raise their
13 children for the next eight (8) years from 1976 to 1984, and bought a home
14 in Marianas Terrace, Yigo in 1980 (where they continue to reside), before
15 being transferred to his last station in Hawaii where he retired from US
16 military service in 1987; and,

17 **WHEREAS**, after Mr. Sanguenza retired, the Sanguenzas returned
18 home to Guam where they raised their children and Mrs. Sanguenza
19 continued as a teacher in Guam's public schools and Mr. Sanguenza as a U.S.

1 Immigration Officer with the United States Immigration, Guam Office, and
2 also because of the proximity to their native Philippines,; and,

3 **WHEREAS**, Mr. and Mrs. Sanguenza would raise a young family
4 throughout the duration of Mr. Sanguenza’s military career, and are the proud
5 parents of Juancho Rey Ramirez Sanguenza, an engineer; Cheryl Ramirez
6 Sanguenza, PhD; Cora Sanguenza Brown, RN and Charlyn Sanguenza Haun, an
7 administrator/CEO; and, are the proud grandparents of Jasmine Renee
8 Sanguenza Brown, 20, a junior at University of Texas, Arlington; Zena Rae
9 Sanguenza Brown, 16, a high school junior in San Antonio, Texas and James
10 Romeo Sanguenza, born 01 June 2011; and,

11 **WHEREAS**, throughout their lives Mr. Sanguenza instilled values,
12 ethics and practices of hard work, humility and the importance of a smile
13 and a great sense of humor in his children– that ultimately lead to a life of
14 success and happiness; and Mr. Sanguenza never fathomed “calling in sick”
15 or leaving a job before its completion and his best effort, and never viewed
16 working as an optional endeavor; and he continues to ensure that his adult
17 children remain humble regardless of status or educational
18 accomplishments; his family continues to gather for weekly dinners; and
19 they continue to be a presence during their children’s and grandchildren’s
20 life events, including births and christenings, graduations, weddings and the

1 family continues to celebrate holidays together, appreciating and enjoying
2 the gift of togetherness; and Mr. Sanguenza, without avail, continually greets
3 people with his genuine smile filled with a warmth that connects him with
4 all; now, therefore be it

5 **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules, on behalf of *I*
6 *Mina'trentai Unu Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the people of Guam do
7 hereby, commends, recognizes and thanks Mr. Romeo "Sam" Hernandez
8 Sanguenza for his commitment and dedication to the protection of our nation
9 and our people for nearly forty (40) years and congratulates him on the
10 occasion of his seventy-fifth (75th) birthday; and be it further

11 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee
12 on Rules certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof,
13 and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Mr. Romeo "Sam"
14 Hernandez Sanguenza; and to the Honorable Edward Baza Calvo, *I*
15 *Maga'lahaen Guåhan*.

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

JUDITH T. WON PAT, ED.D.
Speaker

RORY J. RESPICIO
Chairperson, Committee on Rules

TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES
Secretary of the Legislature



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03 January 2012

MEMORANDUM

To: Patricia Santos, Clerk of the Legislature

From: Senator Aline A. Yamashita

SUBJECT: Resolution – Sanguenza, Romeo

Hafa adai and Happy New Year. Please find attached, a proposed
resolution:

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nation and of our people for nearly forty years and for congratulating him on the
occasion of his seventy-fifth birthday.*

The presentation is slated for:

WHEN: Saturday, 07 January 2012

TIME: 5:00 p.m.

VENUE: Hyatt Regency Guam

Your time, kind attention and assistance in preparing this resolution for
presentation is very appreciated. Should you have any questions, please do not
hesitate to call **Tanya M. C. Mendiola**, chief analyst, at 648-3474 or email her at
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