

**I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUAHAN
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Relative to memorializing the contributions and accomplishments of the late Anthony Peter Sanchez, for his years of service to the people of Guam and to express the heartfelt condolences of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the people of Guam to his family.

BE IT RESOLVED BY *I LIHESLATURAN GUAHAN*:

WHEREAS, Anthony Peter Sanchez was born on June 21, 1958 to the late Dr. Pedro Cruz Sanchez and Florida *Galea'i* Sanchez, and on Tuesday, April 17, 2012, was called to his eternal reward at the age of Fifty Three (53) years and now joins his father and his sister Dolores Anne "*DoAnne*" Sanchez; and

WHEREAS, Anthony Peter Sanchez, affectionately known as Tony, was a dedicated father who provided well for his children, his immediate and extended families, and a man who loved our island's culture, nature and environment; and

WHEREAS, from his Grandfather, Simon A. Sanchez who built over ninety (90%) of Guam's schools, Tony learned the value of education, duty and statesmanship; from his father the late Senator, Educator and Historian Dr. Pedro Cruz (Fongu) Sanchez who started a Territorial College that became the University of Guam, Tony learned the value of public service, history and a vision of a Good Guam,

1 and from his mother, Flo Sanchez who was a Christian Mother and Catholic Daughter
2 who started Citizens for Decent Community, campaigned against Casino Gambling,
3 pornography and won, Tony learned Faith in God, family values and service to all
4 mankind; and

5 **WHEREAS**, Tony’s love of politics and dedication to public service was
6 nurtured early by his parents and through years of exposure to and participation in, his
7 father's efforts to secure full educational rights and benefits for the people of *Guåhan*;
8 and

9 **WHEREAS**, Anthony Peter Sanchez was a leader in our community in
10 promoting our Chamorro heritage through various projects in filmmaking, historical
11 writing, music writing, and production. Like his father (Dr. Pedro C. Sanchez), Tony
12 was a historian, he was the Associate Publisher and Editor for “*Guåhan / Guam – the*
13 *History of our Island*”; he was the writer for “*Man’amko: The Forgotten Gift*” and
14 producer writer for “*Groundwater: Guam’s Hidden Treasurer*”, “*Where Silence*
15 *Roars*” and “*Guam America’s Paradise*”; and

16 **WHEREAS**, Anthony Peter Sanchez was very community-focused and
17 believed in public service and that it was a good thing; and

18 **WHEREAS**, Anthony Peter Sanchez participated in many charitable
19 organizations and community involvement programs such as the Guam Lytico and
20 Bodic Telethon; the Communications Arts Guild; the Marianas HomeGrown Music
21 Festival; the American Cancer Society, the American Red Cross, the Malesso Fiestan
22 Tasi; the Merizo Martyrs and other World War II Casualty Memorial Services; and

23 **WHEREAS**, as former Chief of Staff for Governor Felix P. Camacho, Tony
24 championed issues during his tenure, such as the municipal leasing program which
25 built five (5) schools (Okkodu High School, Astumbo Elementary School, Liguán
26 Elementary School, the Adacao Elementary School, and the new John F. Kennedy
27 High School), led the return of thousands of acres of original land to owners, the

1 recovery after Super Typhoon Pongsonga, established the first publicized government
2 data while serving as the Director of the Bureau of Statistics and Plan, the payout of
3 Earned Income Tax credit after eight (8) years, and the Micronesian Challenge to
4 protect Guam's natural resources. Tony also led efforts in strengthening federal and
5 territorial relations; and

6 **WHEREAS**, Tony is survived by his five children, Jacob Anthony Sanchez and
7 Jessica Pettigrew, Pedro Francisco and Renee-Lynn Sanchez, David Vincent Sanchez,
8 Simon Apelu Sanchez III and Maria-Elise Sanchez; two grandchildren, Trey and
9 Tristan Sanchez; his mother Florida *Galea'i* Sanchez; his fiancée Eleonor B.U. Lujan,
10 his siblings Simon Sanchez II, Lina Leon Guerrero, Flori Sanchez, Paul Sanchez and
11 Amanda Sanchez Wooley; and numerous aunts, uncles, cousins, relatives and friends;
12 now, therefore be it

13 **RESOLVED**, that *I Mina'Trentai Unu Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby,
14 on behalf of the people of Guam, recognize the many contributions and
15 accomplishments of the late Mr. Anthony Peter Sanchez, and thank him for his
16 dedicated service to the community; and be it further

17 **RESOLVED**, that *I Mina'Trentai Unu Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby
18 offer its sincere and humble condolences to his family for the untimely passing of one
19 of Guam's own sons; and be it further

20 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to,
21 the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to his
22 mother, Florida *Galea'i* Sanchez; to his children and spouses and grandchildren; to his
23 fiancée, Eleonor B.U. Lujan; to his brothers and sisters and their families; Simon II
24 and Lou; Lina Leon Guerrero; to Flori Sanchez and Diron Cruz; Paul; and Amanda
25 and R. Tom Wooley, III; and to the Honorable Edward J.B. Calvo, *I Maga'lahren*
26 *Guåhan*.