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Introduced by:

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Relative to welcoming and extending a warm *Hafa Adai* to Senator Teofisto Guingona III of the Republic of the Philippines on his visit to Guam to join Filipinos throughout the island in celebrating the 114th anniversary of the Independence of the Philippines.

1 **BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF**
2 ***I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN:***
3 **WHEREAS**, Senator Teofisto Guingona III or “TG,” as he is known to
4 friends and colleagues, comes from a long line of public servants and is currently
5 a senator of the 15th Congress of the Republic of the Philippines (2010-2016); and
6 **WHEREAS**, TG served as Congressman of the Second District of
7 Bukidnon during the 13th and 14th Congress. In the Lower House, he was a
8 member of the opposition and the minority group. He is the Deputy Minority floor
9 leader and is the Minority representative to the Joint Congressional Power
10 Commission (POWERCOM), which deals with matters relating to energy and
11 electricity; and
12 **WHEREAS**, TG is a lawyer and graduated from the Ateneo de Manila
13 University with a degree in Economics and Law. This is where he met his wife,
14 Atty. Maria Victoria Garcia Guingona and together they have a son, Bobby; and

1 **WHEREAS**, while in college, he experienced his first taste of politics when
2 he joined the student government. TG, along with his colleagues in the student
3 government joined a protest rally of the opposition party Lakas ng Bayan
4 (LABAN) to protest the cheating by the dictator Ferdinand Marcos during the 1978
5 elections. While marching along España Avenue in Manila, TG and the entire
6 Ateneo student government were arrested; and

7 **WHEREAS**, from his youth in the Ateneo student government up until this
8 day, TG still strongly believes in the principles of transparency in governance and
9 accountability of government officials. Because of this, TG was chosen as a Kaya
10 Natin! Champion as part of a national movement in the Philippines that aims to
11 promote good governance, ethical leadership and support effective and ethical
12 leaders in government; and

13 **WHEREAS**, Senator Guingona has set the objective of his legislative work
14 to ensure that the government invests in the Filipino people. To TG, investing in
15 the Filipino people means using national resources to build a healthy and educated
16 citizenry. He seeks to protect the most vulnerable segments of the population and
17 make certain that they are neither impoverished materially nor marginalized
18 socially. His efforts also try to foster the investment climate necessary to create
19 job opportunities that will enable greater human and not just economic,
20 development. To achieve these objectives, Senator Guingona has set budget
21 reform at the center of his legislative agenda; and

22 **WHEREAS**, Senator Guingona also seeks to craft legislation that will
23 ensure both energy and food security through the use of more local resources. By
24 doing this, he aims to make the price of food and energy both affordable and
25 predictable to make more money available for families to educate their children
26 and take care of their health needs; and

1 **WHEREAS**, Senator Guingona has also focused his sights on creating
2 legislation that will provide resources and incentives for science and technology to
3 direct their activities toward improving the health and education and securing the
4 country's supply of food and energy ; and

5 **WHEREAS**, he has been instrumental in improving conditions in his home
6 of Mindanao by working to build human and social capital and championing
7 Disaster risk Reduction and Management; and, now therefore be it

8 **RESOLVED**, the Committee on Rules of *I Mina'Trentai Una Na*
9 *LiheSlaturan Guåhan*, does hereby, on behalf of *I LiheSlaturan Guahan* and the
10 people of Guam, welcome and extend a warm *Hafa Adai to* Senator Teofisto
11 Guingona III of the Republic of the Philippines on his visit to Guam to join
12 Filipinos throughout the island in celebrating the 114th anniversary of the
13 Independence of the Philippines; and be it further

14 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on
15 Rules certify, and the Secretary of the Legislature attest to, the adoption hereof,
16 and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Senator Teofisto Guigona
17 III; and to the Honorable Edward J.B. Calvo, *I Maga'lahaen Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES
OF I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE _____
DAY OF JUNE, 2012.**

JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D
Speaker

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Chairman, Committee on Rules

TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES
Legislative Secretary