

I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN  
2012 (SECOND) Regular Session

Resolution No. ~~525-7~~ (COR)  
Introduced by:

R. J. Respicio

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Relative to commending and congratulating Rosemary Huynh Mantanona, a proud member of *Taotao Tano'*, for her graduation from the Chamorro arts apprenticeship program under the master of Chamorro dance, Frank Rabon, and for receiving her certification as a cultural arts teacher.

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF  
I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN:**

**WHEREAS,** Rosemary Huynh Mantanona, born October 8, 1975, and currently resides in San Diego, California, is the proud daughter of Tito Aguon Mantanona (Dec.), former Mayor of Talofofo (*familian Mahetok*), and Tam Huynh Mantanona, raised with the traditions of our Chamorro people, and she speaks, writes, reads, and comprehends the Chamorro language fluently; and

**WHEREAS,** Rosemary Huynh Mantanona began her primary education at St. Francis Catholic School (1980), and completed her education at Inarajan High School (1993); and

**WHEREAS,** Rosemary Huynh Mantanona, presently a student at Ashford University majoring in early childhood

development, currently integrates her knowledge of Chamorro dance, songs, chants and weaving as a program assistant at Zamorano Elementary School, and shares this knowledge with the Chamorro community of San Diego; and

**WHEREAS**, Rosemary Huynh Mantanona, a recognized “*Fafa’ná’gue*” for *Guma Imahen Taotao Tano’*, has completed all the levels in her *Chalan Lina’la* (*Åplok, mânha, mâsun, yan fâha*), and has met all the requirements by the Master of Chamorro Dance to be certified as a Chamorro Traditional Arts instructor; and

**WHEREAS**, Rosemary Huynh Mantanona began her cultural studies in Chamorro dance, songs, chants & weaving under the Master of Chamorro Dance – Frank Rabon in 1991, as a junior at Inarajan High School: and

**WHEREAS**, as a member of *Taotao Tano’* she represented the Chamorro People in one Festival of Pacific Arts (2000); World Cultural Festivals in United States 1998, Korea 2002 & 2003, Mexico 2002, and cultural festivals in the Pacific Region beginning in 1995; and assisted the Guam Visitors Bureau in promotional tours throughout Asia and the Pacific (Japan, Taiwan, Korea, Philippines, Indonesia, Australia, New Guinea), and the United States: and

**WHEREAS**, Rosemary Huynh Mantanona relocated to the U.S. mainland (1998) and began the first Chamorro cultural dance group “*Imahen Taotao Tano’*,” now known as *Guma Imahen Taotao Tano’* in San Diego California (1999), receiving certificate awards

from schools, the community, civic organizations, private businesses, and assisted the Guam Visitors Bureau with the overseas promotion in the U.S. mainland; and

**WHEREAS**, her cultural house (*Guma Imahen Taotao Tano'*) has provided Chamorro cultural performances for the community of San Diego, the tourism industry, private businesses, and has provided valuable volunteer services in mentorship, knowledge of Chamorro Language and Culture to underprivileged members of the San Diego community, and volunteer services to the elderly community since 2000; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, that *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby commend and congratulate Rosemary Huynh Mantanona for graduating from the Chamorro arts apprenticeship program under the master of Chamorro dance Frank Rabon, and for receiving her certification as a cultural arts teacher; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and Chairman of the Committee on Rules certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest, to the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be hereafter transmitted to Rosemary Huynh Mantanona, to *Pa'a Taotao Tano'*, 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 TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2012.**

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

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**RORY J. RESPICIO**  
Chairperson, Committee on Rules

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**TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES**  
Legislative Secretary