

I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUAHAN
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Resolution No. ^{527-3/}(COR)
Introduced by:

R. J. Respicio

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

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

WHEREAS, Jonas Manibusan Barcinas, born March 29, 1966, and currently resides in the village of Dandan, Saipan, is the proud son of Tito Songsong Barcinas (Dec.), (*familian Tresaru*), and Francisca Reyes Manibusan, (*familian Kadi*), raised with the traditions of our Chamorro people, and speaks, writes, reads, and comprehends the Chamorro language fluently; and

WHEREAS, Jonas M. Barcinas began his primary education at Rota Elementary School (19771-1977), and completed his education at Rota High School (1983); and post secondary education with a BA degree at the University of Guam (1989), and Masters Degree from San Diego State University (1998), and a Doctoral student from Argosy University in Hawaii (2008); and

WHEREAS, Jonas M. Barcinas, a recognized "*Fafa'nã'gue*" for Guma Inatuas has completed all the levels in his *Chalan Lina'la* (*Åplok, mânia, mãsun, yan fãha*), and has met all the requirements by the Master of Chamorro Dance - Frank Rabon, to be certified as a Chamorro Traditional Arts instructor; and

WHEREAS, Jonas M. Barcinas began his cultural studies in Chamorro dance, songs, chants & weaving under the Master of Chamorro Dance in 1985, as a student at the University of Guam, eventually leaving *Taotao Tano'* and relocating to Saipan to implement the Chamorro program within the public school system; and

WHEREAS, as a member of *Taotao Tano'* he represented the Chamorro People in two (2) Festivals of Pacific Arts ('88 and '96), World Cultural Festivals in the United States 1998, and other cultural festivals in the Pacific Region, 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 as a member of *Guma TaotaoTano*; and

WHEREAS, Jonas M. Barcinas, as a public school educator, began to implement the *Taotao Tano* program at the schools in which he taught in Saipan, and eventually corroborated with another *Taotao Tano'* member (The late Richard Duenas) in formulating *Inatuas*, now known as *Guma Inatuas* (Saipan CNMI); and

WHEREAS, Jonas M. Barcinas, a former principal of Dandan Elementary and now the principal of Hopwood Junior High School, continues to support and implement the Chamorro program he learned as a *Taotao Tano'* member within the school encouraging his students to actively take pride in their Chamorro identity; and

WHEREAS, Jonas M. Barcinas a professional volleyball player has represented both Guam and Saipan at the South Pacific Games held every four years throughout the Pacific islands; and

WHEREAS, Jonas M. Barcinas is also and active member of the National Guard, and continues to share his administrative skills, volleyball skills, and

most especially his knowledge of Chamorro language, dance, songs, chants, and weaving to others all over the world now, therefore, be it

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

RESOLVED, that the Speaker and the 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 Arthur J. Pangelinan, 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.

JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D.
Speaker

RORY J. RESPICIO
Chairperson, Committee on Rules

TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES
Legislative Secretary