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Relative to recognizing LTC Kevin J. Yatar as the incoming Commander of the 3rd Battalion, 196th Infantry Brigade.

BE IT RESOLVED BY I MINA’TRENTAI DOS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN:

WHEREAS, LTC Kevin J. Yatar is a native of Guam, and was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant in Armor from the University of Guam, in 1991; and

WHEREAS, LTC Yatar is married to the former Diana San Miguel of Chalan Pago, Guam; and they have four wonderful children: Hunter, Harmony, Harley and Hudson; and
WHEREAS, upon completion of the Armor Officer Basic Course, LTC Yatar was assigned to 2/11ACR (Wildflecken, GE), where he served as a Cavalry Platoon Leader; and

WHEREAS, in 1993, LTC Yatar transferred to the Republic of Korea, where he served as the Company Executive Officer and Battalion S4 with 1-72AR (Camp Casey, KS); and

WHEREAS, after attending the Armor Officer Advanced Course and Combined Arms Staff Services School in 1995, LTC Yatar was assigned to Headquarters, 2ACR (Fort Polk, LA), where he served as the Assistant Regimental S3, and later as the Troop Commander during Operation Joint Guard/Endeavor, Bosnia-Herzegovina; and

WHEREAS, following the troop command, LTC Yatar was assigned to the U.S. Army Recruiting Command, where he commanded the Stockton Recruiting Company and San Joaquin Recruiting Company, Sacramento Recruiting Battalion, 6th Recruiting Brigade (Stockton, CA); and

WHEREAS, upon completion of the command in 2001, LTC Yatar was reassigned to the U.S. Pacific Command (Camp Smith, HI), where he served as a Joint Exercise Planner, Deputy Resource Manager; and as a Planner with the USPACOM Standing Joint Forces Headquarters (J3 Directorate); and

WHEREAS, in 2004, after attending the Army Command and General Staff College, LTC Yatar was assigned to the G3, National Training Center to serve as the Chief of Plans and Operations (Fort Irwin, CA); and

WHEREAS, in 2005, LTC Yatar deployed to Iraq (Operation Iraqi Freedom), where he served initially as the Squadron S3, and then as the Squadron Executive Officer for 1/11ACR (Camp Liberty, Iraq); and

WHEREAS, upon redeployment back to Fort Irwin in 2006, LTC Yatar was reassigned as the Regimental Executive Officer, 11ACR; and
WHEREAS, in 2007, LTC Yatar was reassigned to Operations Group, where he served as the Brigade DCO/XO, and the Senior Battle Staff Trainer Observer/Controller (Bronco 02); and

WHEREAS, in 2008, LTC Yatar assumed command of the 1st Battalion, 81st Armor Regiment (Fort Knox, KY); and

WHEREAS, in 2010 following battalion command, LTC Yatar deployed to Iraq, where he served as the Executive Officer to the Director, J9, Strategic Effects and Communications, U.S. Forces – Iraq (U.S. Embassy, Baghdad and Camp Victory, Iraq); and

WHEREAS, upon redeployment from Operation Iraqi Freedom and New Dawn in 2011, LTC Yatar was assigned to Headquarters, U.S. Army Pacific Command (Fort Shafter, HI), where he served as the Deputy Director for Training, G3/5/7/9 USARPAC; and

WHEREAS, LTC Yatar’s educational degrees include a Bachelor of Business Administration in Business Management from the University of Guam and a Master of Science in Human Resources Administration from Central Michigan University; and

WHEREAS, LTC Yatar’s awards and decorations include the Bronze Star Medal; the Defense Meritorious Service Medal (10LC); the Army Meritorious Service Medal (40LC); the Army Commendation Medal (10LC); the Joint Service Achievement Medal; the Army Achievement Medal (20LC); the Joint Meritorious Unit Award (10LC); the Army Meritorious Unit Citation; the National Defense Service Medal (w/ Bronze Star); the Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal; the Global War on Terrorism Service; the Iraq Campaign Medal (w/4 Bronze Stars); the Korean Defense Service Medal; the Armed Forces Service Medal; the Army Service Ribbon; the Overseas Service Ribbon (5); the NATO Medal; the Combat Action Badge; the Ranger Tab; the Parachutist Badge; the Air Assault Badge; and the Recruiter’s Badge; now therefore, be it
RESOLVED, that I Mina’Trentai Dos Na Liheslaturan Guåhan does hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, recognize LTC Kevin J. Yatar as the incoming Commander of the 3rd Battalion, 196th Infantry Brigade; and be it further RESOLVED, that the Speaker certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to LTC Kevin J. Yatar; to Major General Benny Paulino, Adjutant General, Guam Army National Guard; and to the Honorable Edward J.B. Calvo, I Maga’lahen Guåhan.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY I MINA’TRENTAI DOS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE 21ST DAY OF JUNE, 2013.

JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D. Speaker

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