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I MINA'TRENTAI DOS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
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Introduced by:
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Relative to congratulating and commending Esther J.C. Aguigui on her promotion from the rank of Major to Lieutenant Colonel with the Guam Army National Guard, and for making history by becoming the highest ranking Officer to take command of a battalion-level unit, specifically the Recruiting and Retention Battalion of the Guam Army National Guard, and being the first female Officer to command a battalion of the Guam National Guard; and to further extending Un Dångkolo Na Si Yu'os Ma'äse’ to her for her continued dedication, selfless service and sacrifices to the people of Guam and the United States of America.

1 BE IT RESOLVED BY I MINA'TRENTAI DOS NA LIHESLATURAN
2 GUÅHAN:
3 WHEREAS, Lieutenant Colonel Esther J.C. Aguigui was born on November
4 13, 1961; and is one (1) of the six (6) children of Mr. and Mrs. †Joaquin T. and
5 Teresita C. Aguigui from Malesso, Guam;; and
WHEREAS, in 1980, Lieutenant Colonel Esther J.C. Aguigui graduated from George Washington High School; and she later earned a Bachelor of Education degree in Secondary Education under a merit scholarship from the University of Guam; and

WHEREAS, after graduation, Lieutenant Colonel Esther J.C. Aguigui spent sixteen (16) years teaching and coaching middle and high school students and athletes at various public and private secondary schools on Guam; and

WHEREAS, in 1985, Lieutenant Colonel Esther J.C. Aguigui began her military career when she enlisted in the U.S. Air Force Reserve, and served as an Information Management Specialist; and after ten (10) years, in 1995, she became the Supervisor of the Section. She was the first service member in the 44th Aerial Port Squadron to be granted a federal, advanced promotion to Technical Sergeant; and

WHEREAS, in 1996, Lieutenant Colonel Esther J.C. Aguigui became a member of the Guam Air National Guard; and she served as the first and only female First Sergeant of the 254th Engineer Squadron, 254th Air Base Group; and

WHEREAS, for a period of nine (9) years, Lieutenant Colonel Esther J.C. Aguigui served in various assignments as a Company Grade Officer; and

WHEREAS, in 1999, Lieutenant Colonel Esther J.C. Aguigui received a direct commission with the Guam Army National Guard, where she took on her first assignment as the Family Assistance Program Coordinator; and

WHEREAS, as a First Lieutenant, on September 12, 2001, Lieutenant Colonel Esther J.C. Aguigui reported to her first Active Guard Reserve assignment as the Aide de Camp to Major General Benny M. Paulino, the Adjutant General at the time; and

WHEREAS, in April 2002, Lieutenant Colonel Esther J.C. Aguigui took command of the 294th Military Intelligence Detachment; and in February 2004, the unit deployed in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom; and
WHEREAS, in October 2005, while serving as a Captain, Lieutenant Colonel Esther J.C. Aguigui served as the Senior Intelligence Officer (J2) for Task Force Pelican during the first ever Joint Task Force deployment of Army and Air National Guard service members for the relief efforts in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina in Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, from January 2006 to January 2007, Lieutenant Colonel Esther J. C. Aguigui deployed to Afghanistan in support of Operation Enduring Freedom, and she was assigned to serve as the Deputy Senior Counterintelligence Officer (J2/X) for the one thousand two hundred (1,200)-person Joint Special Operations Task Force; and she was also the Liaison Officer to the Combined Joint Special Operations Task Force; and

WHEREAS, for a period of six (6) years, and while serving at the rank of Major, Lieutenant Colonel Esther J.C. Aguigui served in multiple key leadership positions; and then upon returning from her deployment, she was selected to serve a two (2)-year assignment as the Secretary of General Staff for Major General Donald J. Goldhorn, the Adjutant General at the time. She was a key advisor to the TAG and managed staff actions for the command group; and

WHEREAS, in May 2010, Lieutenant Colonel Esther J. C. Aguigui received her next assignment to serve as the S3 Operations Officer for the 105th Troop Command, where she effectively planned, controlled, and executed the annual training movement of its two (2) largest units, one to Camp Dodge, Iowa, and the other to Hohenfels, Germany; and

WHEREAS, from May 2012 to June 2014, Lieutenant Colonel Esther J.C. Aguigui was selected to serve as the Commander of the Guam Army National Guard Element- Joint Force Headquarters, with simultaneous duties as the Chief of the J1 Casualty Branch; and during her tenure, she skillfully balanced the medical readiness standards and the administrative, operational logistical support
requirements of the largest deployment and redeployment in the history of the
organization; and

WHEREAS, a few weeks after her promotion, Lieutenant Colonel Esther
J.C. Aguigui made history by becoming the highest ranking Officer to take
command of a battalion-level unit, specifically the Recruiting and Retention
Batallion of the Guam Army National Guard; and the first female Officer to
command a battalion in the Guam National Guard; and

WHEREAS, the military education of Lieutenant Colonel Esther J.C.
Aguigui includes: the U.S. Air Force First Sergeant Academy, the U.S. Army
Adjutant General Officer Basic Course, the U.S. Army Military Intelligence Officer
Transition Course, the U.S. Army Military Intelligence Captain’s Career Course, the
U.S. Army Counterintelligence Officer Course, and the Command and General Staff
College (Intermediate Level Education-Common Core Course); and

WHEREAS, the major Military Awards and Decorations of Lieutenant
Colonel Esther J.C. Aguigui include: the Bronze Star Medal, the Meritorious
Service Medal (1 oak leave cluster), the Army Commendation Medal, the Army
Achievement Medal (1 Oak Leave Cluster), the Air Force Outstanding Unit Award,
the Air Force Achievement Medal, the Air Reserve Forces Meritorious Service
Award, the National Defense Service Medal, the Afghanistan Campaign Medal, the
Global War on Terrorism Service (Expeditionary) Medal, and the Global War on
Terrorism Service Medal; now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that I Min’a’Trentai Dos Na Liheslaturan Guåhan does hereby,
on behalf of the people of Guam, congratulate and commend Lieutenant Colonel
Esther J.C. Aguigui on her promotion from the rank of Major to Lieutenant Colonel
with the Guam Army National Guard, which was awarded during a Promotion
Ceremony held on July 24, 2014 at the Hotel Nikko, Tumon Bay, Guam; and
recognize her for making history by becoming the highest ranking Officer to take
command of a battalion-level unit, specifically the Recruiting and Retention
Battalion of the Guam Army National Guard, and the first female Officer to command a battalion in the Guam National Guard, which took place at the Guam Army National Guard Element Change of Command and R&R Assumption of Command ceremonies held on August 3, 2014; and does further extend Un Dångkolo Na Si Yu’os Ma’åse’ to her for her continued dedication, selfless service and sacrifices to the people of Guam and the United States of America; 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 Lieutenant Colonel Esther J.C. Aguigui; and to the Honorable Edward J.B. Calvo, I Maga’lahen Guåhan.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY 1 MINA’TRENTAI DOS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE 12TH DAY OF AUGUST 2014.

JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D.
Speaker

TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES
Legislative Secretary