

I Mina Trentai Tres Na Liheslaturan Guåhan
Resolutions Log Sheet

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166-33 (LS)	T. R. Muña Barnes B. J.F. Cruz Frank F. Blas, Jr.	Relative to honoring and congratulating Mr. and Mrs. Vicente Gogue and Jesusa Reyes Arceo on the celebration of their Sixty-fifth (65th) Wedding Anniversary; and to further extending a sincere Un Dângkolo Na Si Yu'os Ma'åse' to them for their exemplary contributions to our island community, and wishing them many more happy years together.	08/21/15 10:33 a.m.	09/17/15 11:30 a.m.					08/21/15

I MINA'TRENTAI TRES NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
2015 (FIRST) Regular Session

Resolution No. 166-33 (LS)

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1 **BE IT RESOLVED BY *I MINA'TRENTAI TRES NA LIHESLATURAN***
2 ***GUÅHAN:***
3 **WHEREAS, Mr. Vicente “Ben” Gogue Arceo was born on January 15, 1931;**
4 **and is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jose Castro and Amalia Gogue Arceo of *Ordot*, Guam;**
5 **and**

1 **WHEREAS**, Mrs. Jesusa “Susie” Baza Reyes Arceo was born on December
2 31, 1932; and is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Vicente Guevara and Francisca Cepeda
3 Baza Reyes, also of *Ordot*, Guam; and

4 **WHEREAS**, Ben and Susie Arceo were classmates in the 4th Grade at *Chalan*
5 *Pago* Elementary School, and they later became sweethearts after their Junior Prom at
6 George Washington High School; and

7 **WHEREAS**, Ben was drafted into the U.S. Army during the Korean War, but
8 he would not leave unless he and Susie were married; and therefore, Ben and Susie
9 were united in the Holy Bonds of Matrimony on September 16, 1950, at the San Juan
10 Bautista Catholic Church in *Ordot*, Guam, with their family and friends in attendance;
11 and

12 **WHEREAS**, Mr. and Mrs. Ben and Susie Arceo are the proud parents of
13 eleven (11) children: Vincent R. Arceo†, Millie A. Indalecio, Andrew J. “Joseph”
14 Arceo, Frank R. “Frankie” Arceo, Terry A. Rodriguez, Frances A. Toves, Juanita R.
15 Arceo, Diana R. Arceo†, Susan A. Olivares, David R. Arceo, and Paul R. Arceo†; and

16 **WHEREAS**, Ben and Susie Arceo also have been blessed with thirty-two (32)
17 grandchildren, and fourteen (14) grandchildren in-law, in addition to twenty-five (25)
18 great grandchildren, which includes two (2) sets of “fraternal twins” both with one
19 boy and one girl each; and

20 **WHEREAS**, in 1972, Susie and Ben moved to San Jose, California to be near
21 to their family, and to where Susie’s mother lived in Sacramento, California; and
22 Susie immediately became active with the St. Victor’s Church Choir, and remained
23 active until returning to Guam. Ben and Susie were also active with the Guam
24 Federated Women’s Club in California; and they entertained at many *Chamorro*
25 functions from San Francisco to Monterey to San Diego; and also performed at other
26 areas of the state for civic and religious events, including at funerals and rosaries.

1 Susie was invited to sing at the Civic Center of San Francisco for an audience that
2 included U.S. Senator Diane Feinstein, D-CA; and

3 **WHEREAS**, Ben and Susie returned to Guam in 1991, and they became active
4 participants at the San Juan Bautista Catholic Church. They are members of the
5 Knights of Columbus and the Catholic Daughters of Guam, respectively; and

6 **WHEREAS**, in 1992, Susie and Ben joined the Guam Memorial Hospital
7 Volunteers Association (GMHVA); and immediately, she and Ben were actively
8 entertaining at the Skilled Nursing Facility Unit (SNU) for the Three Kings function
9 every year; for meetings during the *Mes Chamorro* celebrations; and for the *Manamko*
10 Centers of the DPHSS Division of Senior Citizens, the Government of Guam
11 Association of Retired Persons (GGARP), the *Servicio Para I Manamko* Association
12 (SPIMA), and many others; and

13 **WHEREAS**, Ben and Susie Arceo have contributed to the preservation of the
14 *Chamorro* language, culture and history through their participation in *I Kanton*
15 *Klasikat*, which recorded *Chamorro* language versions of classical arias and choruses;
16 they have also contributed to the permanent enshrinement of Our Lady of *Camarin* in
17 the National Shrine of the *Immaculate Concepcion* in Washington, D.C.; and they
18 have served as a resource for the University of Guam's research into Guam's history
19 and the *Chamorro* culture; and

20 **WHEREAS**, through their experience with the UOG SGA, and the education
21 they attained, Ben and Susie Arceo have been recognized for their contributions in
22 support of the *Chamorro* culture through the Visual and Performing Arts. Susie and
23 Ben also recorded three *Chamorro* CDs, namely: *Guinaiyan Manamko*, *Kantan Antes*,
24 and *Haso Manenggon*; and

25 **WHEREAS**, in 2014, Ben and Susie won recognition from Senator Dennis
26 Rodriguez, Jr., for being the longest married couple on Guam; they both attended the

1 Guam Senior Citizens Hall of Fame for this recognition, and as a result the honorees
2 and nominees were awarded with a trophy and several gift certificate prizes from
3 various donors; and

4 **WHEREAS**, in 2014, the Guam War Survivors Memorial Foundation
5 published its first book entitled, “Real Faces” that included the stories of over thirty
6 (30) war survivors about their experiences during the Japanese occupation of Guam.
7 Susie and Ben were featured in this book. This year, the Foundation is publishing a
8 second book which focuses on the basic essentials of survival; about how our people
9 got through the war day to day. Once again, Ben and Susie will be featured in this
10 second edition of the book publication; and

11 **WHEREAS**, recently, Susie encountered medical problems, and is still
12 recuperating; however, this did not stop her and Ben from continuing to spread
13 goodwill and foster warm relations as they travel the width and length of the island to
14 attend various functions, most recently the 2015 *Manenggon* Memorial Service held
15 on July 26, 2015; and

16 **WHEREAS**, their combined membership with the GMHVA spans almost
17 thirty (30) years, and Ben and Susie continue to share their time and talent with the
18 Association. They were recently featured in the GMHVA Big V Newsletter in an
19 article entitled, “Member Spotlight.” Ben and Susie were quoted saying that
20 “entertaining and being active gives them immense pleasure and making time for the
21 community is so rewarding”; now therefore, be it

22 **RESOLVED**, that *I Mina'Trentai Tres Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby,
23 on behalf of the people of Guam, honor and congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Vicente Gogue
24 and Jesusa Reyes Arceo on the celebration of their Sixty-Fifth (65th) Wedding
25 Anniversary; and does further extend a sincere *Un Dångkolo Na Si Yu'os Ma'åse'* to

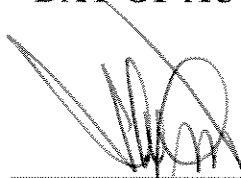
1 them for their exemplary contributions to our island community, and wish them many
2 more happy years together; and be it further

3 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to,
4 the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Mr. and
5 Mrs. Vicente Gogue and Jesusa Reyes Arceo; and to the Honorable Edward J.B.
6 Calvo, *I Maga'låhen Guåhan*.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY *I MINA'TRENTAI TRES NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* ON THE 21ST DAY OF AUGUST 2015.



JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D.
Speaker



TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES
Legislative Secretary