

**I MINA'TRENTAI SINGKO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN**  
**RESOLUTIONS**

Resolution No.	Sponsor	Title	Date Intro	Date of Presentation	Date Adopted	Date Referred	Referred to	PUBLIC HEARING DATE	DATE COMMITTEE REPORT FILED	NOTES
225-35 (LS)	Telena Cruz Nelson Amanda L. Shelton Tina Rose Muña Barnes	Relative to recognizing Salvador James Avilla on the occasion of his retirement from the Guam Department of Education; and commending him for his fifty (50) years of public service to the people of Guam.	10/4/19 2:05 p.m.	10/11/19 2:30 p.m.	10/4/19					

Resolution No. 225-35 (LS)

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**BE IT RESOLVED OF I MINA TRENTAI SINGKO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN:**

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WHEREAS, Salvador James Avilla has been actively involved in his community and his Catholic faith, and has volunteered to serve as a Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) Instructor for thirty-six (36) years at Santa Teresita Church in *Mangilao*. Through his instruction and involvement, he has influenced and encouraged many people in their faith over the span of his service; and he had also served at Santa Teresita Church as a high school Confirmation teacher, lector, and Eucharistic minister. As a Confirmation teacher he has helped to guide others and grow the seeds of spirituality and faith in many of the youth, and he has taught the Santa Teresita Church community what it truly means to be a generous person as he was always generous with his time, knowledge and spirit. He also brought that spirit of generosity into his involvement with league sports on Guam as a Cal Ripken League Coach for the *Mangilao* Titans and a manager for the *Mangilao* Reds; and Salvador's passion for helping and caring for people and the community has resonated throughout his life and activities; and

WHEREAS, during his professional career, Salvador Avilla served at the former *Dededo* Junior High School and then worked at George Washington High School where he was a Social Studies Teacher from 1973 to 1982. He was promoted to the position of Assistant Principal at George Washington High School, and also served as an Assistant Principal at *Inarajan* High School and *Agueda Johnston* Middle School from 1982 to 1987. He continued on in his educational career and served as a Spanish Teacher at Simon Sanchez High School; and he was then promoted and served as the Principal of *Inarajan* Middle School and *Dededo* Middle School from 1987 to 1991. Salvador served as the Deputy Director of the Guam Department of Education from 1991 to 1992, and he transitioned to work as the Associate Superintendent of Secondary then Vocational Education from 1992 through 1995. He served as the Principal of *Agueda Johnston* Middle School in 1995 and 1996; and shortly thereafter, he became the Department Chairperson and Social Studies Teacher at George Washington High School from 1996 to 2004; and he then served as the Principal of George Washington High School from 2004 to 2005 before transitioning back to his position as Department Chairperson and Teacher from 2005 to 2014. In 2010, he was honored with the Guam Department of Education "Teacher of the Year Award"; and he has been serving as a Social Studies Teacher at *Tiyan* High School since 2014 to the present, and is now retiring from public service; and

WHEREAS, the people of Guam celebrate his accomplishments and honor Salvador Avilla for being an outstanding public servant and civic leader in the community where he has helped to shape an environment that aims to reflect ambition and service through providing an atmosphere where youth come to learn to make the right decisions, solve problems, and think creatively to motivate others on a daily basis. Through his community involvement, Salvador Avilla has helped build strong communication and interpersonal skills; and he has encouraged countless students from all learning levels and socioeconomic backgrounds to take the opportunity to take charge of their learning and meet their goals; and he has helped to build a strong faith and an even stronger community; and

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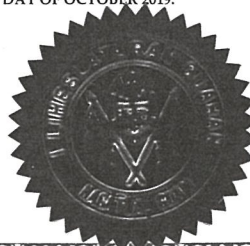
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RESOLVED, that the Speaker certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that a copy of the same be thereafter transmitted to Salvador James Avilla; and to the Honorable Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero, *I Maga'hågan Guåhan*.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY I MINA TRENTAI SINGKO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE 4<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF OCTOBER 2019.

  
TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES  
Speaker

  
AMANDA L. SHELTON  
Legislative Secretary



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10/10/19

**From:** Office of Vice Speaker Telena Cruz Nelson <senatortcnelson@guamlegislature.org>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 9, 2019 1:41 PM  
**To:** Clerks; phnotice@guamlegislature.org  
**Subject:** Presentation of Resolution 225-35

October 9, 2019

**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** All Honorable Senators  
35<sup>th</sup> Guam Legislature

**FROM:** Vice Speaker Telena Cruz Nelson

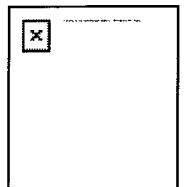
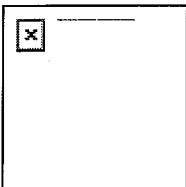
**RE:** Presentation of Resolution No. 225 - 35(COR)

*Bueñas yan Hafa Adai,*

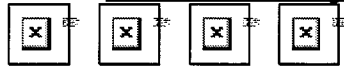
Your presence is kindly requested at the presentation for **Resolution No. 225 - 35(COR)**. Relative to commending, and congratulating Salvador James Avilla on the occasion of his retirement from Guam Department of Education; and to further express sincere gratitude to him for the fifty (50) years he has demonstrated outstanding public service to the people of Guam.

The presentation will take place on **Friday, October 11, 2019 at the Guam Congress Building Public Hearing Room at 2:30PM**. We look forward to your attendance and participation.

*Si Yu'os Ma'ase'*



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and Statistics, Research, and Planning*  
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**2019 (FIRST) Regular Session**

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