

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

Resolution No.	Sponsor	Title	Date Intro	Date of Presentation	Date Adopted	Date Referred	Referred to	PUBLIC HEARING DATE	DATE COMMITTEE REPORT FILED	NOTES
379-35 (COR)	Tina Rose Muña Barnes	Relative to posthumously recognizing the Honorable Ruth Bader Ginsburg, for her twenty-seven (27) years of service as an Associate Justice on the United States Supreme Court; and to commend her for her legendary victories and advocacy against gender discrimination, and her invaluable service and historical contributions to the civil rights of the people of the United States of America; and further expressing our deepest condolences to her family on her passing on behalf the <i>I Liheslaturan Guáhan</i> and the people of Guam.	9/23/20 3:13 p.m.	10/1/20 10:00 a.m.						

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1 **BE IT RESOLVED BY *I MINA'TRENTAI SINGKO NA LIHESLATURAN***
2 ***GUÅHAN*:**

3 **WHEREAS**, the late Ruth Bader Ginsburg, a resident of Washington, D.C.,
4 was born on March 15, 1933, and passed away on September 18, 2020, at the age of
5 eighty-seven (87). Together, Justice Ginsburg and her late husband, Martin D.
6 Ginsburg, had two children, Jane C. Ginsburg and James Steven Ginsburg; and

7 **WHEREAS**, Justice Ginsburg received a Bachelor of Arts degree in
8 Government from Cornell University and later pursued law at Harvard University. In
9 1956, Justice Ginsburg and eight (8) women became famously known for having been
10 the only women in a class of more than five hundred (500) men, six (6) years after the
11 University began to admit women to their school. She served as a Board member and
12 Executive Committee member of the American Bar Foundation. Furthermore, she

1 served on the Council of the American Law Institute, the Council on Foreign
2 Relations, the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, and the American
3 Philosophical Society; and

4 **WHEREAS**, Justice Ginsburg notably balanced motherhood and academics.
5 She graduated first in her class from Columbia Law School in 1959 and later became
6 the school's first female tenured professor from 1972 to 1980. Justice Ginsburg led
7 the work of the American Civil Liberties Union Woman's Rights Project during the
8 1970s, thus becoming a pioneer for gender equality and a robust role model for many
9 women throughout our nation; and

10 **WHEREAS**, Justice Ginsburg, a groundbreaker and legal strategist addressing
11 gender and race discrimination, was appointed by President Jimmy Carter in 1980 to
12 the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia, where she served until
13 President Bill Clinton appointed her to the U.S. Supreme Court in 1993. Justice
14 Ginsburg became the court's second female justice; and

15 **WHEREAS**, Justice Ginsburgs' landmark decisions gained considerable
16 attention on the fight to end gender discrimination. She was best known for her
17 memorable and notorious dissenting opinions. Additionally, she was known for
18 articulating the Fourteenth Amendment's Equal Protection Clause, advocated for
19 judicial scrutiny for laws that used sex as a classification, and argued for the
20 underrepresentation of women servicing on juries - stating that exemption, even if
21 voluntary, devalued women as a citizen and diluting the quality of community
22 judgment; and

23 **WHEREAS**, Justice Ginsburg opened the doors for equal access for women's
24 education, marked a historic step for disability rights, delivered decisions which
25 protect our environment from further pollution, and stamped a historical narrative
26 against gender-based pay discrimination. Justice Ginsburg defended voting rights,

1 which led to the call of a political mobilization from the American people. Notably,
2 Justice Ginsburg left the door open for further consideration of territorial-sovereignty
3 challenges in one of her concurring opinion; and

4 **WHEREAS**, the self-proclaimed “ladies-lature” of this 35th Guam Legislature
5 with a 2/3 women majority could never be possible without the relentless advocacy of
6 Justice Ginsburg, whose work and dedication paved the way for women to occupy
7 leadership positions. From our “Ladies-lature” we extend our heartfelt condolences to
8 her family. Her absence in the Supreme Court will truly be felt and missed; and
9 therefore be it

10 **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina'trentai Singko Na*
11 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, posthumously
12 recognize the Honorable Ruth Bader Ginsburg, for her twenty-seven (27) years of
13 service as an Associate Justice on the United States Supreme Court; and to commend
14 her for her legendary victories and advocacy against gender discrimination, and her
15 invaluable service and historical contributions to the civil rights of the people of the
16 United States of America; and further expressing our deepest condolences to her
17 family on her passing on behalf the *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the people of Guam;
18 and be it further

19 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chair of the Committee on Rules
20 certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of
21 the same be thereafter transmitted to the family of the Honorable Ruth Bader
22 Ginsburg, Chief Justice John G. Roberts, Jr.; and to the Honorable Lourdes A. Leon
23 Guerrero, *I Maga'hågan Guåhan*.

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**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY I MINA'TRENTAI SINGKO NA
LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE OF 2020.**

TINA ROSE MUÑA-BARNES
Speaker

RÉGINE BISCOE LEE
Chairperson, Committee on Rules

AMANDA L. SHELTON
Legislative Secretary