




I MINA'BENTE OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
2005 (FIRST) Regular Session

Resolution No. 35 (EC)

Introduced by:

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RELATIVE TO CONGRATULATING MRS. LOURDES SANTIAGO TORRES LEON GUERRERO ON THE OCCASION OF HER INDUCTION INTO THE GUAM EDUCATOR'S HALL FAME, PHI DELTA KAPPA, GUAM CHAPTER, 2005; AND TO RECOGNIZING HER 57 YEARS OF CONTRIBUTIONS AND LIFELONG DEDICATION TOWARDS THE EDUCATION OF THE ISLAND'S YOUTH.

1 BE IT RESOLVED BY I MINA'BENTE OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN
2 GUÅHAN:

3 WHEREAS, Lourdes Santiago Torres Leon Guerrero, was born on
4 November 9, 1923 in the Village of Merizo, Guam, to Jose Pangelinan Torres, a
5 U.S. Navy Chief Motor Machine Mate, and Felicidad Santiago Torres, a Guam
6 School Teacher; and

7 WHEREAS, Lourdes began her lifework in education starting off as a
8 permanent substitute teacher at the tender age of 18 after graduating as the
9 Valedictorian of her Ninth Grade Junior High Class at the George Washington
10 Junior/Senior High School; and

11 WHEREAS, she was employed at the Maxwell School in Sumay, and
12 continued to teach through the difficult Japanese Occupation and up until the
13 late 1990's on Guam; and

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1 **WHEREAS**, Lourdes married Vicente Garrido Leon Guerrero, together
2 they raised three of their four children as Mr. Leon Guerrero served the
3 United States as a U.S. Navy Chief Petty Officer until his retirement; and

4 **WHEREAS**, upon returning to the island of Guam and after giving birth
5 to her fourth and youngest child, Joseph, , Mrs. Leon Guerrero would stride
6 right back into the realm of education and teach sixth grade students at
7 Talofof Elementary. She continued to teach until 1998; and

8 **WHEREAS**, during her teaching career, Lourdes Leon Guerrero
9 balanced the role of educator, college student, homemaker and mother to
10 Esther, Vincent, Darlene and Joseph; eventually earning a Bachelors Degree
11 and later a Masters in Education; and

12 **WHEREAS**, Lourdes Leon Guerrero succeeded through post secondary
13 schools, beginning at Normal School of Guam, under the Normal School
14 Course for Teachers in 1946; She further enhanced her teaching skills by
15 attending the Teacher Training Institute at Adelup, Guam in 1947; Mrs. Leon
16 Guerrero then earned 10 undergraduate credits from the University of Hawaii
17 in 1948 and completed her Bachelors of Arts degree in 1969 “Cum Laude
18 “from the University of Guam. She earned Masters of Education degree in
19 1975 from UOG; and

20 **WHEREAS**, during her 57 years of distinguished service in education,
21 Mrs. Leon Guerrero taught at the following schools: Maxwell School in
22 Sumay, Merizo Elementary School, Sinajana Elementary School, Talofof
23 Elementary School, Santa Rita Elementary School, and at John F. Kennedy,
24 George Washington, Oceanview and Simon Sanchez High Schools, and

1 served as an assistant Principal at Agana Heights Elementary, a School a
2 Principal at the F.B. Leon Guerrero Elementary School, as a member of the
3 Guam Community College Board of Trustees, as Administrator and
4 Consultant of the Guam Teacher Corps In Service Training Program, and as
5 an instructor for the Department of Labor Manamko' Manhoben Program;
6 and

7 **WHEREAS**, Lourdes Leon Guerrero was recognized as a Pioneer in
8 Education with a Certificate of Appreciation from the University of Guam
9 Charter Day Committee in 1996; and

10 **WHEREAS**, Mrs. Leon Guerrero is depicted in the University of Guam,
11 Micronesian Area Research Center Book "I Manfayi" Series; and UOG's Office
12 of Public Relations publication "Honoring Guam's Pioneers in Education";
13 and

14 **WHEREAS**, today, three of the Leon Guerrero children, Esther, Vincent
15 and Darlene continue the proud tradition of teaching and have ensured the
16 legacy of Mrs. Leon Guerrero and her mother as exemplary and committed
17 educators ; and

18 **WHEREAS**, the island community recognizes the contributions of
19 Lourdes Santiago Torres Leon Guerrero in making sure the island's youth are
20 educated and productive members of society; and

21 **WHEREAS**, Lourdes Santiago Torres Leon Guerrero has been bestowed
22 with the honor of being one of Guam's premiere educators, by the Guam
23 Chapter of the Phi Delta Kappa and is inducted into the "Guam Educator's
24 Hall of Fame,"; now therefore be it

1 **RESOLVED**, that *I Mina'Bente Ocho Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby,
2 on behalf of the people of Guam congratulate Lourdes Santiago Torres Leon
3 Guerrero on the occasion of her induction into the Guam Educator's Hall
4 Fame, Phi Delta Kappa, Guam Chapter, 2005; and recognize her 57 years of
5 contributions and lifelong dedication towards the education of the island's
6 youth; and be it further

7 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker certify, and the Secretary of the
8 Legislature attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be
9 thereafter transmitted to Mrs. Lourdes Santiago Torres Leon Guerrero; her
10 children, Ms. Dottie Wintterle, the President of the Guam Educator's Hall
11 Fame, Phi Delta Kappa, Guam Chapter; and to the Honorable Felix P.
12 Camacho, *I Maga'lahaen Guåhan*.

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**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY I MINA'BENTE OCHO NA
LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE _____ DAY OF May 2005._____**

MARK FORBES
Speaker

EDWARD J.B. CALVO
Senator and Secretary of the Legislature

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