

I MINA'TRENTAI SAIS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN  
RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No.	Sponsor	Title	Date Intro	Date of Presentation	Date Adopted	Date Referred	Referred to	PUBLIC HEARING DATE	DATE AUTHOR REPORT FILED	NOTES
244-36 (COR)	Amanda L. Shelton	Relative to recognizing and commending Mr. Joe Blas for his immeasurable contributions to the development and growth of Guam's tourism industry, and for helping to share Guam's <i>Håfa Adai Spirit</i> and culture with the world; and to further extend our sincerest Dångkulo na si Yu'os ma'åse' to his family after thirty-three (33) years of outstanding service to the people of Guam.	1/18/22 1:49 p.m.	1/27/22 1:30 p.m.	1.26.22 1:58 p.m.					

Resolution No. 244-36 (COR)

Introduced by:

Amanda L. Shelton	
V. Anthony Ada	Sabina Flores Perez
Frank Blas Jr.	Chynon E. Ridgell
Joanne Brown	Joe S. San Agustin
Christopher M. Dueñas	Telo T. Taitague
James C. Moylan	Jose "Pedro" Terlaje
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BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF I MINA'TRENTAI SAIS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN:

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Joe Blas had served for twenty (20) years in the U.S. military, and retired from the U.S. Navy as a Command Senior Chief; and he then served in Guam's tourism industry for more than thirty-three (33) years, to include serving as the Assistant General Manager of the Hotel Nikko Guam; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Blas was the first employee of the Hotel Nikko Guam and was hired in September 1990 before the hotel officially opened in February 1992; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Blas was the first local *CHamoru* to achieve the level of Executive Hotelier at the Hotel Nikko Guam; and he coined the hotel's phrase "*The Resort in Paradise*" to share his passion about Guam and the *CHamoru* culture; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Blas had ensured that the *CHamoru* culture is ubiquitous within the Hotel Nikko Guam's corporate culture and was included in the hotel employees' uniform design, its logo, food, and music; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Blas influenced Hotel Nikko Guam to become one of the first companies to take the "*Håfa Adai Pledge*" and recite their pledge in *CHamoru*; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Blas has been instrumental in Hotel Nikko Guam's support of the community by participating, hosting, and sponsoring local events, such as: *Maila Ta Fan Boka*, the *Guam Ko'ko' Road Race*, *A Taste of Guam*, the *Na Bonita Guam* clean-up, and the *Guam Micronesia Island Fair*; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Blas served as the first *CHamoru* Chairman on the Board of the Guam Hotel and Restaurant Association; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Blas has active affiliations as a member of the FBI Citizen's Academy, the SKAL Executive Tourism Club, 4th Degree Knights of Columbus – Saint Francis of Assisi Parish, 4th Degree Assembly Knights of Columbus – Santa Marian Kamalen, the Island-Wide Color Corps – Knights of Columbus, the Legends Guam Motorcycle Club, the Harley Owners Group, and a committed volunteer for the Special Olympics; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Blas received prestigious awards, to include: the *Golden Latte Award for Excellence in Tourism*, the *Governor's Cup Golf Champion Award*, and the *Cha-Cha Dance Contest Winner*; and

**WHEREAS**, after thirty-three (33) years of dedicated and diligent service, Mr. Blas will retire from the tourism industry; now therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules of I Minna'trentai Sais Na Liheslaturan Guåhan does hereby, on behalf of I Liheslaturan Guåhan and the people of Guam, recognize and congratulate Mr. Joe Blas on the occasion of his retirement from Guam's tourism industry after thirty-three (33) years of outstanding service to the people of Guam and its visitors; and commend him for his contributions to the development and growth of Guam's *Håfa Adai Spirit* and helping to share the *CHamoru* culture with the world; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Mr. Joe Blas; to the Guam Visitors Bureau; and to the Honorable Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero, I Maga'hågan Guåhan.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF I MINA'TRENTAI SAIS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE 26<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF JANUARY 2022.

*Therese M. Terlaje*  
THERESE M. TERLAJE  
Speaker

*Amanda L. Shelton*  
AMANDA L. SHELTON  
Acting Chairperson, Committee on Rules

*Amanda L. Shelton*  
AMANDA L. SHELTON  
Legislative Secretary



1/26/22

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**2022 (SECOND) Regular Session**

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2        ***MINA'TRENTAI SAIS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN*:**  
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14 the community by participating, hosting, and sponsoring local events, such as: *Maila*  
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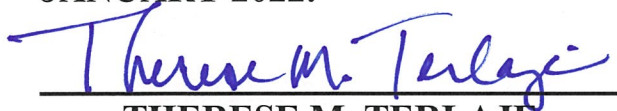
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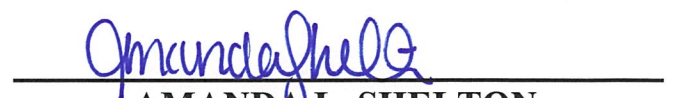
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5   Blas will retire from the tourism industry; now therefore, be it

6       **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina'trentai Sais Na*  
7   *Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the people  
8   of Guam, recognize and congratulate Mr. Joe Blas on the occasion of his retirement  
9   from Guam's tourism industry after thirty-three (33) years of outstanding service to the  
10  people of Guam and its visitors; and commend him for his contributions to the  
11  development and growth of Guam's *Håfa Adai Spirit* and helping to share the *CHamoru*  
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13       **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules  
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16  the Honorable Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero, *I Maga'hågan Guåhan*.

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Speaker

  
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AMANDA L. SHELTON  
Acting Chair, Committee on Rules

  
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AMANDA L. SHELTON  
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# COMMITTEE ON RULES

VICE SPEAKER TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES, CHAIRPERSON

*I Mina'trentai Sais Na Liheslaturan Guahan*

*36<sup>th</sup> Guam Legislature*

## COMMITTEE VOTE SHEET

**Resolution No. 244-36 (COR) - Amanda L. Shelton.** - "Relative to recognizing and congratulating Mr. Joe Blas on the occasion of his retirement from Guam's tourism industry after thirty-three (33) years of outstanding service to the people of Guam and its visitors; and commending him for his contributions to the development and growth of Guam's Håfa Adai Spirit and helping to share the CHamoru culture with the world."

	SIGNATURE	DATE	TO ADOPT	TO NOT ADOPT	TO ABSTAIN
<b>Vice Speaker Tina Rose Muña Barnes</b> Chairperson	E-VOTE	25JAN2022	X		
<b>Legislative Secretary Amanda L. Shelton</b> Vice Chairperson	<i>A. Shelton</i>	26JAN2022	X		
<b>Speaker Therese M. Terlaje</b> Member					
<b>Senator Telen Cruz Nelson</b> Member					
<b>Senator Sabina Flores Perez</b> Member	E-VOTE	26JAN2022	X		
<b>Senator Clynton E. Ridgell</b> Member					
<b>Senator Joe S. San Agustin</b> Member	E-VOTE	26JAN2022	X		
<b>Senator Jose "Pedro" T. Terlaje</b> Member	E-VOTE	26JAN2022	X		
<b>Senator Frank F. Blas, Jr.</b> Minority Member	E-VOTE	26JAN2022	X		
<b>Senator Mary Camacho Torres</b> Minority Member	E-VOTE	26JAN2022	X		
<b>For Sponsor's Office Use Only</b>					
Sponsor Signature: <i>Amanda Shelton</i>					
Staff Contact Person: ROY QUINATA					
<b>For COR/Clerk's Office Use Only</b>					
7 Certified _____ Returned _____					
Name: <b>Katrina Charfauros</b>					
Date: <b>1.27.22 9:25 a.m.</b>					
Notes:					



Office of Senator

**AMANDA L. SHELTON**

Legislative Secretary & Chairwoman

Committee on Air Transportation, Parks, Tourism, Higher Education and the  
Advancement of Women, Youth and Senior Citizens

*I Mina'trentai Sais Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* • 36<sup>th</sup> Guam Legislature

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January 24, 2022

**MEMORANDUM**

**To:** All Senators

36<sup>th</sup> Guam Legislature

**From:** Senator Amanda L. Shelton

**Re:** Presentation of Resolution No. 244 & 245-36 (COR)

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*Buenas yan Håfa Adai!*

Please join me in presenting the following Legislative Resolution(s):

**Resolution No.244-36 (COR)** – *Introduced by Senator Amanda L. Shelton* – Relative to recognizing and commending Mr. Joe Blas for his immeasurable contributions to the development and growth of Guam's tourism industry, and for helping to share Guam's Håfa Adai Spirit and culture with the world; and to further extend our sincerest Dangkulo na si Yu'os ma'åse' to his family after thirty-three (33) years of outstanding service to the people of Guam.

**Resolution No. 245-36 (COR)** – *Introduced by Senator Amanda L. Shelton* – Relative to recognizing and commending Francisco "Frank" Taitano Guerrero for his immeasurable contributions to the development and growth of Guam's tourism industry, and for helping to share Guam's Håfa Adai Spirit and culture with the world; and to further extend our sincerest Dangkulo na si Yu'os ma'åse' to his family after twenty-six (26) years of outstanding service to the people of Guam.

The presentation will take place on **Thursday, January 27, 2022, at 1:30 p.m., at the Guam Visitors Bureau conference room.**

We look forward to your attendance and participation.

