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Introduced by:

Roy A. B. Quinata 

Relative to recognizing and congratulating the distinguished Major General Esther Aguigui on the occasion of her retirement after thirty-seven (37) years of service; and commemorating her outstanding service to our nation and island community.

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

3 **WHEREAS**, it is the sense of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* to recognize and honor
4 those distinguished citizens of this great island who have devoted themselves to
5 faithfully serving the best interests of our community and the needs of our residents;
6 and

7 **WHEREAS**, in full accord with its long-standing traditions and in addition to a
8 previous Resolution No. 151-34 (COR) presented, *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* is justly
9 proud to honor Major General Esther J. C. Aguigui for her continued service to our
10 nation and island; and her dedication to the people of Guam; and

11 **WHEREAS**, in 2019, Major General Aguigui was appointed by Governor Lou
12 Leon Guerrero to be the Adjutant General, and she is the first female officer to lead the
13 National Guard in its history; and

1 **WHEREAS**, Major General Aguigui’s leadership led to the Guam National
2 Guard’s successful completion of numerous deployments, including an enduring
3 mission providing critical site security for the Terminal High Altitude Area Defense
4 missile site in Northern Guam, a Multinational Force and Observers mission in the Sinai
5 Peninsula in support of the treaty of peace between Egypt and Israel, support to the
6 Customs and border patrol in the United States Southwest, and the National Capitol
7 Response mission in Washington D.C.; and

8 **WHEREAS**, in 2020-2021, Major General Aguigui was appointed the Guam
9 Homeland Security Advisor, the primary representative to the Department of Homeland
10 Security receiving direct communications from federal agencies; and

11 **WHEREAS**, as serving Adjutant General and the Guam Homeland Security
12 Advisor, Major General Aguigui was able to fully leverage the Guam National Guard’s
13 capabilities to support the COVID-19 pandemic response successfully. For the duration
14 of the pandemic, the Guam National Guard operated the island’s main vaccination
15 clinic, main testing site, only quarantine and isolation facilities, and more. The success
16 of innovative vaccination efforts such as Operation Liberate Guam and Operation
17 Homebound led to Guam being consistently the highest vaccinated state or territory
18 nationwide, both in the ranks and in the community; and

19 **WHEREAS**, Major General Aguigui’s leadership, the Guam National Guard
20 also launched Starbase Guam, which is aimed at providing enrichment education in
21 Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) topics for local fifth-grade (5th)
22 students. She is unmatched in her ability to task the right people for such an endeavor,
23 and her persistence in requesting updates contributed to the launch of the program that
24 provided the community of the island of Guam with STEM topics that are not normally
25 offered in the district’s curriculum; and

26 **WHEREAS**, Adjutant General Aguigui also strengthened the partnership with
27 our allies in the region, namely the Armed Forces of the Philippines, through the State

1 Partnership Program. Under this program, the Guam National Guard executed over
2 twenty engagements with the Armed Forces of the Philippines which elevated their
3 expertise in the areas of Humanitarian and Disaster Response and territorial defense;
4 and

5 **WHEREAS**, Adjutant General Aguigui’s accomplishments over thirty-seven
6 (37) years of military service, culminating with her role as the Adjutant General of the
7 Guam National Guard, are in keeping with the finest traditions of military service; and

8 **WHEREAS**, it is the sense of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* that when individuals of
9 such noble aims and accomplishments, such as Major General Esther Aguigui, are
10 brought to its attention, they should be celebrated and recognized throughout the island;
11 now therefore, be it

12 **RESOLVED**, that *I Mina'trentai Siette Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby,
13 on behalf of the people of Guam, recognize and congratulate the distinguished Major
14 General Esther Aguigui on the occasion of her retirement after thirty-seven (37) years
15 of service; and commemorate her outstanding service to our nation and island
16 community; and be it further

17 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the
18 adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Major General
19 Esther Aguigui; and to the Honorable Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero, *I Maga'hågan*
20 *Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF
I MINA'TRENTAI SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE DAY
OF MONTH 2023.**

THERESE M. TERLAJE
Speaker

AMANDA L. SHELTON
Legislative Secretary