

I MINA'TRENTAI SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
2023 (FIRST) Regular Session

Resolution No. 189-37(COR)

Introduced by:

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Relative to recognizing Deborah Liz Cabe Aguon on her retirement from Pedro C. Lujan Elementary School; and commending her for her 30 and a ½ years of service to the government of Guam.

1 **BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF *I***
2 ***MINA'TRENTAI SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN*:**

3 **WHEREAS**, it is the sense of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* to recognize the life and
4 accomplishments of those distinguished citizens of this great island, and it is custom of
5 *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* to commend those public servants who have devoted themselves
6 to faithfully serving in the best interests of this community and the needs of its residents;
7 and

8 **WHEREAS**, Deborah Liz Cabe Aguon is the youngest child of nine (9) siblings
9 to the late †Quirino C. Cabe and †Nieves Oroso Lujan Cabe. She is married to John
10 Paul Lizama Aguon, and they have three (3) children: Natasha, Dylan, and Travis. They
11 have five (5) grandchildren; and

12 **WHEREAS**, Deborah attended B.P. Carbullido Elementary School for
13 Kindergarten through fifth (5th) grade from 1975 through 1981. She went to Luis P.
14 Untalan Middle School from sixth (6th) grade through eighth (8th) from 1981 through

1 1984. Deborah attended George Washington High School (GWHS) for ninth (9th)
2 through twelfth (12th) grade beginning in 1984, and she graduated from GWHS in 1987.
3 She pursued higher education at the University of Guam (UOG) from 1988 through
4 1993 and received her Bachelor of Arts in Elementary Education. She furthered her
5 education from 2000 through 2006 and received her Masters of Arts in Counseling from
6 UOG; and

7 **WHEREAS**, Deborah’s public service began in the summer of 1993 when she
8 taught summer school at Pedro C. Lujan Elementary School. She then taught as a fourth
9 (4th) grade teacher for SY 1993 through 1995. From SY 1995 through 1998, she taught
10 first (1st) grade. Deborah returned to the fourth (4th) grade beginning in 1998 until SY
11 2010. Due to retirement of teachers in the fifth (5th) grade, Deborah, and her colleague
12 Julie P. Taitague stepped up from the fourth (4th) grade to the fifth (5th) grade for SY
13 2010 through 2011. However, both her and Mrs. Taitague felt their calling was the
14 fourth (4th) grade from SY 2012 until their retirement in 2023; and

15 **WHEREAS**, Deborah has attended numerous trainings and professional
16 developments: she attended training at the National Conference on Differentiated
17 Instruction in Las Vegas, Nevada from July 12 through 15, 2011. She was a presenter
18 at the Kattan Professional Development at the Marriott Hotel from July 28-29, 2011.
19 She was also a presenter at the first day of the Kattan Professional Development at the
20 Holiday Inn on September 19, 2011. She attended training for Proficiency Scales on
21 October 23, 2017; SBG on February 3, 2020, and STEM/STEM Robotics at the Hyatt
22 and Dusit Thani Hotels. Deborah was a Co-Facilitator for Accreditation Focus Group
23 Three (3) where she served numerous roles such as: 9/11 Remembrance Day Co-
24 Coordinator, the United Nations Day Parade, Christmas Program and Decorating
25 Committee, Career Day and Career Day Luncheon (Member), Spelling Bee Co-
26 Coordinator, CHamoru Month Luncheon Committee Member, End-of-Year Luncheon
27 Committee Co-Coordinator, and Special Olympics Event Volunteer; and

1 **WHEREAS**, Deborah’s hard work and dedication was recognized by her
2 students in 2017 for Sylvan’s My Favorite Teacher of the Year Award. She has served
3 as a Master Teacher, mentoring aspiring student teachers from the University of Guam;
4 and

5 **WHEREAS**, Deborah was married to a Chief Master Sergeant in the Guam Air
6 National Guard and had to work full-time as a teacher and mother through her husband’s
7 seven (7) different deployments ranging from six (6) to eight (8) months at a time,
8 maintaining the household and making all the necessary decisions for the sake of her
9 family; and

10 **WHEREAS**, Deborah retired from Pedro C. Lujan, where she began her public
11 service career, after thirty and a half (30 ½) dedicated years on August 3, 2023 to the
12 students she inspired and dedicated her life to. She intends to spend her retirement with
13 her husband, who has recently retired as well, her children, and her grandchildren; now
14 therefore, be it

15 **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina'trentai Siette Na*
16 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the people
17 of Guam, recognize Deborah Liz Cabe Aguon on her retirement from Pedro C. Lujan
18 Elementary School; and commend her for her 30 and a ½ years of service to the
19 government of Guam; and be it further

20 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules
21 certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of
22 the same be thereafter transmitted to Deborah Liz Cabe Aguon; and to the Honorable
23 Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero, *I Maga'hågan 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

CHRIS BARNETT
Chairperson, Committee on Rules

AMANDA L. SHELTON
Legislative Secretary