



*I MINA'TRENTAI SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN*  
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**2023 (SECOND) Special Session**  
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Speaker Antonio R. Unpingco Legislative Session Hall  
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**NOTE SPEAKER TERLAJE PRESIDES**

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** *I MINA'TRENTAI SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* IS HEREBY CALLED TO ORDER THIS IS THE SECOND SPECIAL SESSION OF *I MINA'TRENTAI SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER SAN AGUSTIN YOU ARE RECOGNIZED. WE ARE NOT CLEAR THAT WE HAVE A QUORUM SO I WOULD LIKE TO ASK THE CLERK TO PLEASE TAKE ROLL TO DETERMINE THE PRESENCE OF A QUORUM.

**SUBSTITUTE CLERK OF THE LEGISLATURE:** SENATOR BARNETT SENATOR BLAS SENATOR BROWN SENATOR DUEÑAS VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES SENATOR FISHER SENATOR LUJAN SENATOR PARKINSON SENATOR PEREZ SENATOR QUINATA SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN SENATOR SAN NICOLAS SENATOR SHELTON SENATOR TAITAGUE SPEAKER TERLAJE MADAM SPEAKER THERE IS NO QUORUM.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** THERE IS NO QUORUM WE WILL BE IN RECESS.

**RECESS**

**SENATOR PARKINSON:** MADAM SPEAKER I'M SUGGESTING.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** *I MINA'TRENTAI SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* IS BACK IN SESSION THIS IS AGAIN THE SECOND SPECIAL SESSION CALLED BY OUR GOVERNOR ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

**SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN:** MADAM SPEAKER NOTWITHSTANDING THE HOUSE RULE I MOVE TO ADOPT TODAY'S SECOND SPECIAL SESSION AGENDA DATED MARCH 20, 2023.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** ON THAT MOTION TO ADOPT THE AGENDA IT'S BEEN PASSED OUT IS THERE ANY OBJECTION SEEING NO OBJECTION MOTION CARRIES MAJORITY ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

**SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN:** MADAM SPEAKER I MOVE TO WAIVE SPECIAL SESSION AGENDAS ITEMS TWO THROUGH SIX.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** ITEMS TWO THROUGH SIX ARE THE PRAYER THE RECOGNITION OF *I MILÅYAN MÅS TAKHILO NA SAKRAFISU* RECITING OF *INIFRESI* THE SINGING OF THE GUAM HYMN AND THE SINGING OF THE NATIONAL ANTHEM IS THERE ANY OBJECTION TO WAIVING THOSE ITEMS SEEING NO OBJECTION MOTION CARRIES.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** WE'RE ON ROLL CALL MR. CLERK WOULD YOU PLEASE TAKE THE ROLL CALL.

**SUBSTITUTE CLERK OF THE LEGISLATURE:** SENATOR BARNETT SENATOR BLAS SENATOR BROWN SENATOR DUEÑAS VICE SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES SENATOR FISHER SENATOR LUJAN SENATOR PARKINSON SENATOR PEREZ SENATOR QUINATA SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN SENATOR SAN NICOLAS SENATOR SHELTON SENATOR TAITAGUE SPEAKER TERLAJE MADAM SPEAKER THERE IS A QUORUM.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** *SI YU'OS MA'ÅSE'* ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

**SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN:** THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER I MOVE TO WAIVE SPECIAL SESSION AGENDAS ITEM EIGHT AND NINE.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** THOSE ARE ITEMS CALL FOR APPROVAL OF THE LEGISLATIVE JOURNAL AND COMMUNICATION AND PETITIONS IS THERE ANY OBJECTIONS TO WAIVING THOSE ITEMS SEEING NO OBJECTION MOTION CARRIES.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

**SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN:** MADAM SPEAKER I WOULD LIKE TO ADVISE THE MEMBERS OF THE OF THE MESSAGE FROM *I MAGA'HĀGAN GUĀHAN* SPECIFIC TO THE CALL TO SPECIAL SESSION AND MOVE THAT THE MESSAGE FROM THE *MAGA'HĀGA MAGA'HĀGAN GUĀHAN* BE APPENDED TO TODAY'S SPECIAL SESSION JOURNAL.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** ON THAT MOTION THAT MESSAGES FROM *I MAGA'HĀGAN GUĀHAN* BE APPENDED TO TODAY'S SESSION JOURNAL ARE THERE ANY OBJECTIONS SEEING NO OBJECTION MOTION CARRIES.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** ACTING LEGISLATIVE SECRETARY SENATOR BARNETT WILL YOU PLEASE READ THE MESSAGE FROM *I MAGA'HĀGAN GUĀHAN* INTO THE RECORD.

**SENATOR BARNETT:** THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER OF COURSE I CAN THE MESSAGE AND COMMUNICATION ADDRESSED TO THE HONORABLE THERESE M. TERLAJE SPEAKER *I MINA'TRENTAI SIETTE NA I LIHESLATURAN GUĀHAN* REGARDING 37<sup>TH</sup> GUAM LEGISLATURE SECOND SPECIAL SESSION Hafa Adai Madam Speaker it is my understanding that the legislature has recessed the special session I called for Monday March 20<sup>TH</sup> 2023 at 10:00 A.M. for the purpose of considering matters in a separate emergency session other than that which I identified in my call to special session this attempt to utilize procedural rules to circumvent my clear authority under the organic act to call the legislature to a special session to consider only the matter I specified in my call to special session a matter I believe the public interest requires is inorganic violates a separation of powers and cannot be sustained in the interest of ensuring that the 37<sup>TH</sup> GUAM LEGISLATURE ACCORDS THE PROPER DEFENCE TO THE ORGANIC ACTS EXPRESS PROVISIONS AUTHORIZING THE GOVERNOR TO CALL THE LEGISLATURE TO SPECIAL SESSION AND TO ENSURE THE LEGISLATURE PROPERLY CONSIDERS THE IMPORTANT LEGISLATION I IDENTIFIED IN MY PRIOR CALL TO SESSION I AM COMPELLED TO EXERCISE MY AUTHORITY TO ALL FOR A SECOND SPECIAL SESSION TO ADDRESS THE SAME MATTER SEE OPINION ATTORNEY GENERAL 18 – 0089 MARCH 3<sup>RD</sup> 2018 APINING THAT THE ORGANIC ACT EMPOWERS THE GOVERNOR TO CALL SPECIAL SESSIONS REGARDLESS OF WHETHER THE LEGISLATURE IS CURRENTLY IN A SPECIAL SESSION RECESSED OR ADJOURNED THEREFROM ACCORDINGLY PURSUANT TO THE ORGANIC ACT OF GUAM 48 USC SUBSECTION 1423H I HEREBY CALL A SPECIAL SESSION OF *I LIHESLATURAN GUĀHAN* TO TAKE PLACE MONDAY MARCH 20<sup>TH</sup> 2023 AT 1:00 P.M. AT THE SPEAKER ANTONIO R. UNPINGCO LEGISLATIVE SESSION HALL WITHIN THE GUAM CONGRESS BUILDING I CALL THIS SPECIAL SESSION FOR THE SOLE PURPOSE OF THE 37<sup>TH</sup> GUAM LEGISLATURES CONSIDERATION AND VOTE UPON THE MEASURE ATTACHED HERE TO WHICH I BELIEVE THE PUBLICS INTEREST REQUIRES *SENSE RAMENTE* Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero *MAGA'HĀGAN GUĀHAN* GOVERNOR OF GUAM.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** *SI YU'OS MA'ĀSE'* ASSIST ACTING LEGISLATIVE SECRETARY BARNETT ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

**SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN:** MADAM SPEAKER I MOVE TO WAIVE SPECIAL SESSION AGENDAS ITEM 11 THROUGH 13.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** THERES A MOTION TO WAIVE AGENDA ITEMS 11 THROUGH 13 WHICH ARE REPORT STANDING COMMITTEES REPORTS OF SELECT COMMITTEE INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS IS THERE ANY OBJECTION TO WAIVING THESE ITEMS SEEING NO OBJECTION MOTION CARRIES.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

**SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN:** THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER I MOVE TO EXCUSE SENATORS NOT PRESENT FOR TODAY'S LEGISLATIVE SESSION.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** ON THE MOTION TO APPROVE TO EXCUSE SENATORS NOT PRESENT IS THERE ANY OBJECTION SEEING NO OBJECTION MOTION CARRIES.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** WE'RE NOW WE'RE STILL UNDER MOTIONS SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

**SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN:** MADAM SPEAKER NOTWITHSTAND NOTWITHSTANDING THE HOUSE RULES I MOVE TO PLACE BILL NO. 24-37 (COR) AS AMENDED BY THE COMMITTEE ON GENERAL GOVERNMENT OPERATION AND APPROPRIATIONS ON THE SPECIAL SESSION AGENDA.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** ON THAT MOTION TO PLACE BILL 24-37 (COR) AS AMENDED BY THE COMMITTEE ONTO THE SPECIAL SESSION AGENDA IS THERE ANY OBJECTION SEEING NO OBJECTION MOTION CARRIES.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** ANY OTHER MOTIONS SENATOR BARNETT YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

**SENATOR BARNETT:** THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER I WOULD JUST LIKE TO REITERATE THAT THIS BODY IS PENDING AN EMERGENCY SESSION TO DEAL WITH VERY URGENT MATTERS RELATIVE TO THE GUAM DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION PUBLIC SCHOOLS THAT BEING SAID I BELIEVE WE ARE ALREADY UNDER A FIRST CALL TO SPECIAL SESSION BY THE GOVERNOR SO I WOULD JUST MAKE A MOTION THAT WE ADJOURN THIS SECOND SPECIAL SESSION CALL THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER.

**SENATOR PARKINSON:** OBJECTION.

**SPEAKER TERLAJE:** THERE'S BEEN A MOTION TO ADJOURN THE SECOND THE SECOND CALL TO SPECIAL SESSION ON THAT MOTION TO ADJOURN THERES BEEN AN OBJECTION ALL IN FAVOR PLEASE RAISE YOUR HAND MOTION CARRIES THE SECOND SPECIAL SESSION IS ADJOURNED.

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