

I MINA' TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN
2009 (FIRST) Regular Session

Resolution No. 49 (LS)

As amended.

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Relative to posthumously honoring the late Honorable Marty Wayne Kendall Taylor, Chief Justice, and to recognizing his illustrious career and outstanding record of accomplishments during his twenty-three (23) years of judicial service in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

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

3 **WHEREAS**, on October 2, 1937, Chief Justice Marty Wayne Kendall
4 Taylor was born in Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada; and

5 **WHEREAS**, Chief Justice Marty Wayne Kendall Taylor, through the
6 sacrosanct act of matrimony, was wed to Celina Deleon Guerrero Diaz and the
7 two were blessed with three (3) sons, Randy, Scott and Anthony, and four (4)
8 daughters, Theresa, Evelyn, Carla and Shannon; and

9 **WHEREAS**, in 1957, Chief Justice Marty Wayne Kendall Taylor earned a
10 Liberal Arts Degree from Oakland City College in California, and in 1961, he
11 earned a Bachelor of Science Degree in Business and Industrial Management
12 from California State University, San Jose; and

13 **WHEREAS**, Chief Justice Marty Wayne Kendall Taylor further pursued
14 higher levels of education, earning a Juris Doctor Degree from the University
15 of California, Hastings College of Law in 1967, and becoming a certified
16 College Instructor in Life Credential, Law, Business and Economics in the
17 State of California; and

18 **WHEREAS**, Chief Justice Marty Wayne Kendall Taylor became a
19 Member of the Bar and was permitted to practice law in the State of
20 California, the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands, the Commonwealth of the
21 Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI) Trial Court, the United States Supreme

1 Court, the United States Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals, and the United States
2 District Court, Northern District of California and CNMI; and

3 **WHEREAS**, from 1968 to 1972, Chief Justice Marty Wayne Kendall
4 Taylor embarked on his legal career as Deputy District Attorney in San Mateo
5 County, California; from 1970 to 1973, he was Instructor of Law in San Mateo
6 County; from 1972 to 1974, he was Private Defender in San Mateo County;
7 from 1972 to 1974, he was in the private practice of law in San Mateo County;
8 in 1973, he was Judge *Pro Tem* for the Southern Judicial District in Redwood
9 City, California; from 1974 to 1976, he was Staff Attorney for the Micronesian
10 Claims Commission, Northern Mariana Islands, for the United States Foreign
11 Claims Settlement Commission in Saipan; and

12 **WHEREAS**, from 1977 to 1982, Chief Justice Marty Wayne Kendall
13 Taylor returned to the private practice of law; from 1978 to 1982, he was the
14 Secretary of the Parole Board; in 1979, he was Acting Public Defender; from
15 1979 to 1980, he served as Legal Counsel for the Civil Service Commission;
16 from 1982 to 1989, he was Deputy Public Defender; and from 1989 to 1995, he
17 was an Associate Judge for the Commonwealth Superior Court; and

18 **WHEREAS**, since 1993, Chief Justice Taylor served as the Designated
19 Judge for the United States District Court in the Commonwealth; in 1995, he
20 served as Chairman of the CNMI Criminal Justice Planning Agency and the
21 CNMI Law Revision Commission; and in 1996, he served as President of the
22 Pacific Judicial Council; and

1 **WHEREAS**, on September 22, 1995, Chief Justice Marty Wayne Kendall
2 Taylor was appointed Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the
3 Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands by former Governor Froilan
4 C. Tenorio; and

5 **WHEREAS**, Chief Justice Marty Wayne Kendall Taylor had appellate
6 jurisdiction over judgments and orders of the Superior Court of the
7 Commonwealth, also having original but *not* exclusive jurisdiction to issue
8 writs of mandamus, certiorari, prohibition, habeas corpus, and all other writs
9 *or* orders necessary and appropriate to the full exercise of its appellate and
10 supervisory jurisdiction, in addition to appellate jurisdiction over attorney
11 disciplinary matters and administrative responsibility over the
12 Commonwealth Judiciary; and

13 **WHEREAS**, Chief Justice Marty Wayne Kendall Taylor, has served as
14 Judge *Pro Tem* for the United States District Court for the Commonwealth and
15 the Superior Court of Guam; and

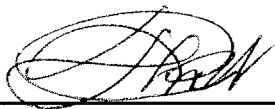
16 **WHEREAS**, throughout his illustrious career, Chief Justice Marty
17 Wayne Kendall Taylor, attended numerous institutions of learning, including
18 Oxford University, Wadham College in Oxford, England, in 1994; the
19 National Judicial College, University of Nevada at Reno from 1990 to 1993; the
20 National Council of Juvenile and Family Judges, Court/ State Justice Institute,
21 University of Nevada at Reno from 1990 to 1993; and the American Academy
22 of Judicial Education in Orlando, Florida, in 1992; and

1 **WHEREAS**, Chief Justice Marty Wayne Kendall Taylor was integral to
2 the increase in professionalism and enhancement of the Commonwealth
3 Judiciary’s duties; now, therefore, be it

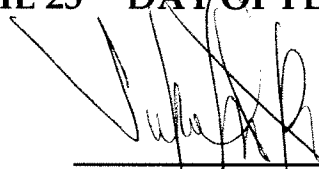
4 **RESOLVED**, that *I Mina’Trenta Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on
5 behalf of the people of Guam, posthumously honor the late Honorable Marty
6 Wayne Kendall Taylor, Chief Justice, and does recognize his illustrious career
7 and outstanding record of accomplishments during his twenty-three (23)
8 years of judicial service in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana
9 Islands; and be it further

10 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker certify, and the Legislative Secretary
11 attests to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter
12 transmitted to the family of the late Honorable Marty Wayne Kendall Taylor,
13 Chief Justice; to the Honorable Miguel S. Demapan, Chief Justice of the
14 Supreme Court of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands; to the
15 Honorable Benigno R. Fitial, Governor of the Commonwealth of the Northern
16 Mariana Islands; and to the Honorable Felix P. Camacho, *I Maga’lahen Guåhan*.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY I MINA’TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE 25TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2009.



JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D.
Speaker



TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES
Legislative Secretary