

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

**Resolution No. 55 (COR)**

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**Relative to commending and extending a sincere *Un Dangkolo Na Si Yu'os Ma'åse'* to Dr. Marjorie G. Driver for her continued support and service to the University of Guam Richard F. Taitano Micronesia Area Research Center.**

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

3        **WHEREAS, Dr. Marjorie G. Driver was born in New York State, was**  
4        **reared in Puerto Rico, and earned Academic Degrees in Spanish and**

1 American Studies in New York and Vermont before moving to Guam in 1953;  
2 and

3 **WHEREAS**, Dr. Marjorie G. Driver taught Spanish and History in Guam  
4 high schools for thirteen (13) years, and was the Principal at St. John's School  
5 prior to becoming a faculty member of the College of Guam in 1967; and

6 **WHEREAS**, for forty (40) years, Dr. Marjorie G. Driver's professional  
7 career was dedicated to scholarly pursuits at the University of Guam's  
8 Richard F. Taitano Micronesian Area Research Center (MARC); and

9 **WHEREAS**, Dr. Marjorie G. Driver served as Director of Translations,  
10 Curator, and Research Specialist at the Spanish Document Collection of  
11 MARC from 1979 to December 2007. Dr. Driver specialized in researching  
12 and translating Spanish-language documents into English, directly affording  
13 contemporary access to first-hand historical perspectives by students and  
14 scholars; and

15 **WHEREAS**, Dr. Marjorie G. Driver was directly involved and  
16 successfully justified over Six Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$600,000) in  
17 legislative appropriations for the Richard F. Taitano Micronesian Area  
18 Research Center and its Spanish Documents Collection. She was responsible  
19 for soliciting over Ninety-Six Thousand Dollars (\$96,000) from public and  
20 private sources to research and publish various research and translation  
21 efforts; and

1           **WHEREAS**, Dr. Marjorie G. Driver appeared frequently in public  
2 forums and events sharing her expertise and understanding of our Spanish-  
3 era heritage with academic colleagues, leaders, and residents. Dr. Driver gave  
4 innumerable guest lectures in our Island’s classrooms and throughout the  
5 *Mariana Islands*; and

6           **WHEREAS**, Dr. Marjorie G. Driver’s extensive research and translation  
7 documents have been published and presented in person at numerous  
8 conferences, seminars and proceedings. She also assisted in bringing the  
9 work of others to print as a collaborator and editor of several leading  
10 scholarly journals; and

11           **WHEREAS**, Dr. Marjorie G. Driver contributed to the expansion of the  
12 University of Guam’s research staff resources, organization and archival  
13 capacity as an active member of various staff and faculty committees. Dr.  
14 Driver has been recognized by her University of Guam peers and colleagues,  
15 the Guam Preservation Trust, and the Guam Humanities Council; and

16           **WHEREAS**, Dr. Marjorie G. Driver presented herself as an attractive,  
17 professional role model, by encouraging successive generations of University  
18 of Guam students and others to consider fulfilling careers in academic  
19 research in the humanities; and

20           **WHEREAS**, in May 1992, *I Mina’Bente Uno Na Liheslaturan Guåhan*  
21 formally recognized the outstanding contributions and accomplishments of  
22 Dr. Marjorie G. Driver, which are of significance to the people of Guam. She

1 was again recognized by the Members of *I Mina'Bente Tres Na Liheslaturan*  
2 *Guåhan* in 1996, and again in 1997 by *I Mina'Bente Kuattro Na Liheslaturan*  
3 *Guåhan*; and

4         **WHEREAS**, on October 23, 2007, the Honorable Felix P. Camacho, *I*  
5 *Maga'lahaen Guåhan*, commissioned Dr. Marjorie G. Driver to the "*Ancient*  
6 *Order of the Chamorri*", bestowing special trust in her patriotism and integrity;  
7 and

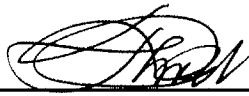
8         **WHEREAS**, upon the recommendations of former University of Guam  
9 President, Dr. Harold L. Allen, and with the approval of the Board of Regents,  
10 Dr. Marjorie G. Driver was publicly conferred an Honorary Doctorate in  
11 Human Letters during the 2007 Fall Commencement ceremony, recognizing  
12 her sustained and significant scholastic and community contributions to  
13 professional and community organizations, aimed at improving the lives of  
14 the people of Guam and the Pacific region now, therefore, be it

15         **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina'Trenta Na*  
16 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the  
17 people of Guam, commend Dr. Marjorie G. Driver and *does* extend its sincere  
18 appreciation and *Un Dângkulo Na Si Yu'os Ma'åse'* to Dr. Marjorie G. Driver for  
19 her continued support and service to the University of Guam Richard F.  
20 Taitano Micronesia Area Research Center; and, be it further

21         **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on  
22 Rules certify, and the Legislative Secretary attests to, the adoption hereof, and

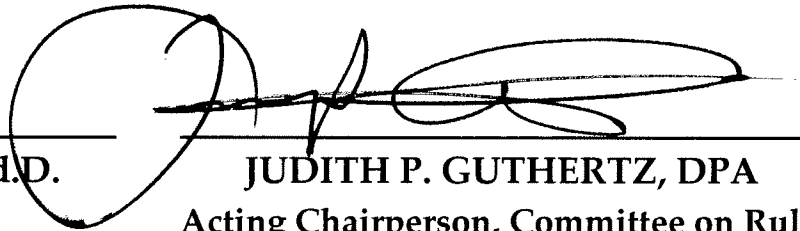
1 that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Dr. Marjorie G. Driver; to  
2 the Administrator of the Richard F. Taitano Micronesia Area Research  
3 Center; to Dr. Robert H. Underwood, President of the University of Guam; to  
4 the Chairman of the University of Guam Board of Regents; and to the  
5 Honorable Felix P. Camacho, *I Maga'lahaen Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES  
OF *I MINA'TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* ON THIS 11<sup>TH</sup> DAY  
OF MARCH, 2009.**



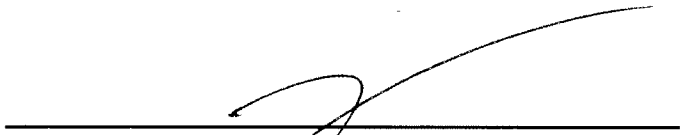
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**JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D.**  
Speaker



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**JUDITH P. GUTHERTZ, DPA**  
Acting Chairperson, Committee on Rules



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Acting Legislative Secretary