

I MINA'TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
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Relative to recognizing and honoring the late Salvador "Buddy" Lujan Camacho for a fruitful life and good works, and for his many accomplishments; and to expressing sincere condolences to the Camacho family on their loss.

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

3 **WHEREAS**, Salvador “Buddy” Camacho was born in Guam on October
4 28, 1932. Buddy is the second (2nd) child of nine (9) children born to Ignacio
5 and Maria Camacho; and

6 **WHEREAS**, as a young boy of nine (9), Buddy lived through the
7 Japanese invasion of Guam, which occurred on the same day as the Japanese
8 attack on Pearl Harbor. Along with his family, Buddy endured three (3) years
9 of the Japanese occupation, confinement in a concentration camp, and the
10 liberation of the island by U.S. Forces in 1944. During the liberation, despite
11 his youth, Buddy aided many G.I.s on numerous missions, using his
12 knowledge of the terrain and his excellent command of the English language;
13 and

14 **WHEREAS**, after graduation from George Washington High School,
15 Buddy moved to the U.S. mainland and attended the University of Colorado
16 in Boulder, where he met, and later married, the loving Barbara Smith; and

17 **WHEREAS**, in 1958, Buddy graduated from college with a B.S. in
18 Electrical Engineering, and he was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant in
19 the Army Corps of Engineers. After serving for three (3) years in Munich,
20 Germany, with the 3rd Engineer Battalion, Buddy joined NASA at the Ames
21 Research Center in Mountain View, California. He then pursued a higher
22 education at Stanford University in Palo Alto, California, where he earned a

1 M.S. in Aeronautics and Astronautics, and did his graduate work toward a
2 PhD in Plasma Physics; and

3 **WHEREAS**, in 1967, Buddy started working for Union Carbide as a
4 Plasma Arc Specialist; and in 1971, Buddy and his family moved to Raleigh,
5 North Carolina, where he started his own company to promote civilian
6 applications of plasma arc technology. In 1983, Buddy sold his company to
7 First Mississippi Corporation, where he served as the Vice President of
8 Research and Development, and later, as Chief Scientist; and

9 **WHEREAS**, Buddy was a member of the U.S. Army Reserves, and he
10 later served in the North Carolina National Guard. In 1981, Buddy graduated
11 from the Army War College in Carlisle, Pennsylvania; and in 1990, Colonel
12 Buddy Camacho retired from his position as Deputy Brigade Commander of
13 the HHC, 30th Engineer Brigade in Charlotte, North Carolina; and

14 **WHEREAS**, eight (8) years later, Buddy was faced with unfortunate
15 circumstances when he became a victim of memory loss, and eventually
16 Alzheimer's Disease, following his heart by-pass surgery in 1998; and

17 **WHEREAS**, Buddy passed away peacefully on Wednesday, August 4,
18 2010, at Willington Nursing Center in Knightdale, North Carolina; and in his
19 new life, Buddy now joins his father, mother, and two (2) brothers, Jose and
20 Vicente Camacho; and

1 **WHEREAS**, Buddy was a dedicated scientist and army officer, a fun-
2 loving, eternal optimist, and a beloved husband, father, grandfather, son,
3 brother, uncle, and friend; and

4 **WHEREAS**, Buddy was the holder of numerous patents and enjoyed
5 many interests, including hunting, bridge, tennis, music and dancing; and

6 **WHEREAS**, Buddy is survived by his wife of fifty-two (52) years,
7 Barbara Smith Camacho; his four (4) sons, and their wives: David and Pam;
8 Mark and Kim; Thomas and Beth; and Jeffrey and Kelly; along with his eleven
9 (11) precious grandchildren: Kathryn and Kristina of Wake Forest; Carson,
10 Dallas and Race of Raleigh; Caleb, Daniel, Caryn and Rebecca of Swannanoa;
11 and Caden and Tessa of Clayton. Buddy is also survived by his two (2)
12 brothers: David and Daniel; his four (4) sisters: Winnifreda, Pilar, Leonila and
13 Cecilia; and many loving aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces and nephews in
14 Guam; and

15 **WHEREAS**, Buddy will always be remembered as a pioneer in his field,
16 as a great ambassador of our island, and as a true representation of a strong
17 and knowledge seeking *Chamorro*; now, therefore, be it

18 **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina'Trenta Na*
19 *Lihselaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Lihselaturan Guåhan* and the
20 people of Guam, recognize and honor the late Salvador "Buddy" Lujan
21 Camacho for a fruitful life and good works, and for his many
22 accomplishments; and does further express sincere condolences to the

1 Camacho family on the loss of their beloved husband, father, grandfather,
2 son, brother, uncle, and our cherished friend; and be it further

3 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on
4 Rules certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and
5 that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Mrs. Barbara Smith
6 Camacho and family; and to the Honorable Felix P. Camacho, *I Maga'lahen*
7 *Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES
OF I MINA'TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE 3RD DAY
OF AUGUST, 2010.**



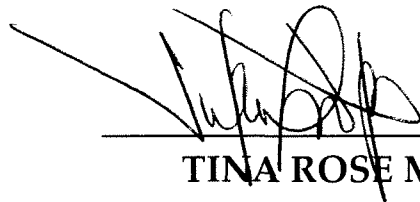
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