


MINA'TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
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Resolution No. 137 (COR)

Introduced by:

A. B. Palacios, Sr. 

Relative to commending Sergeant Joseph S. Carbullido, of the Guam Police Department for his notable act of bravery on May 24, 2009 by pulling out an unconscious passenger from inside a burning vehicle.

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

1 **WHEREAS**, Sergeant Joseph S. Carbullido was born in Guam in 1961 to the proud
2 parents †Francisco Muna Carbullido and †Julianna Santiago Carbullido, both of Agat; and

3 **WHEREAS**, Sergeant Carbullido is married to the former Jennifer Jerusalem of
4 Dededo and they have four wonderful children, Collin Carbullido, Joleen Carbullido, John
5 Palanca, and Katrina Palanca, and they reside in Dededo; and

6 **WHEREAS**, Sergeant Carbullido joined the Guam Police Department in December
7 1988 and he has proudly served in the police force for more than twenty-one years; and

8 **WHEREAS**, Sergeant Carbullido has received numerous awards for his outstanding
9 performance including, in May 2001, the Guam Police Distinguished Service Medal; and

10 **WHEREAS**, Sergeant Carbullido is a graduate of the University of Guam earning a
11 Master's degree in Public Administration and Supervision; and

1 **WHEREAS**, on the night of May 24, 2009, an event of tragic proportions befell
2 several families. It is also the night when the island would know, the following day, of an
3 act of heroism by an off-duty police sergeant, with a family of his own, who disregarded
4 his own safety to save the life of a person whom he had never met before until that most
5 tragic night; and

6 **WHEREAS**, on the night of May 24, 2009, Sergeant Carbullido witnessed a two (2)
7 car collision at the Route 16 Overpass beside the entrance of Fort Juan Muna; and

8 **WHEREAS**, Sergeant Carbullido immediately stopped his vehicle and ran to one of
9 the vehicles that was now afire and discovered an unconscious male. By instinct,
10 conditioned throughout his career as a police officer exposed to emergencies, Sergeant
11 Carbullido pulled the person out of the burning inferno; and

12 **WHEREAS**, after securing the scene and attending to the injured with the Guam
13 Fire Department medics, Sergeant Carbullido was transported to the Guam Memorial
14 Hospital where he was treated for smoke inhalation and later released; and

15 **WHEREAS**, Sergeant Carbullido without due regard for his own safety responded
16 to an immanent threat to his own life to save another person unknown to him; now,
17 therefore, be it

18 **RESOLVED**, that *I Mina'Trenta Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of the
19 people of Guam, commend and honor Police Sergeant Joseph S. Carbullido for his bravery,
20 in the face of danger, on the night of May 24, 2009; and be it further

1 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairman of the Committee on Rules certify
2 and the Secretary of the Legislature attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of the
3 same be thereafter transmitted to Sergeant Joseph S. Carbullido, his wife Jennifer
4 Jerusalem, Police Chief Paul Suba and to the Honorable Felix P. Camacho, *I Maga'lahen*
5 *Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY I MINA'TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN
GUÅHAN ON THIS ____ DAY OF _____, 2009.**

JUDITH T. WON PAT
Speaker

RORY J. RESPICIO
Chairman, Committee on Rules

TINA ROSE MUNA-BARNES
Senator and Legislative Secretary