## I Mina' Trentai Dos Na Liheslaturan Guåhan

## **Resolutions Log Sheet**

Resolution No.	Sponsor	Title	Date Intro	Date of Presentation	Date Referred	Committee / Ofc Referred	Date Adopted
350-32 (LS)	-	Relative to recognizing and congratulating Mrs. Rita CalvoArteroas she celebrates her one hundred first(101ST) year of life and further commending her as a "2014 Senior Citizens' Month Centenarian."	4/9/14 9:20 a.m.	5/6/14 9 a.m.			04/09/14

### **Guam Legislature Clerks Office**

From: Joseph Anthony Mesngon [jmesngon.senatordrodriguez@gmail.com]

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**To:** phnotice@guamlegislature.org; Guam Legislature Clerks Office **Subject:** Notice of Presentation of Resolutions 350-32(LS) to 357-32 (LS)

May 1, 2014

#### **MEMORANDUM**

To: All Senators

From: Senator Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr.

Subject: Presentation of Resolutions to Guam Senior Citizens Month Centenarians

Hafa Adai!

As celebrate and recognize our Senior Citizens during this month's festivities, please join me as I present Legislative Resolutions 350-32(LS) through 357-32(LS) to the following, congratulating them as recipients of the Senior Citizens Month Centenarian Award for 2014.

The resolutions will be presented to:

Mrs. Rita Calvo Artero

Mrs. Oliva Untalan Leon Guerrero Arroyo

Mrs. Irene Fernandez Laygo

Mrs. Regina M. Reyes

Mrs. Maura R. Robeniol

Mrs. Joaquina Mendiola Roberto

Mrs. +Carmen Navea Mina, awarded posthumously

Mrs. +Estelle Greenway Minot, awarded posthumously

The Presentation will take place on Tuesday, May 6, 2014 during the Senior Citizens Month Centenarian Celebration at the St. Dominic's Senior Care Home in Barrigada Heights beginning at 9am.

Together, let us recognize and congratulate our island Centenarians!

Si Yu'os Ma'ase'!

Joseph A. Q. Mesngon
Office of Senator Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr.
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Rita Calvo Artero, and to the Honorable Edward J.B. Calvo, I Maga labra Guideau

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY I MINA TRENTAL DOS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÂHAN ON THE 9TH DAY OF APRIL 2014.

JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D.

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## I MINA'TRENTAI DOS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN 2014 (SECOND) Regular Session

Resolution No. 350-32 (LS)

Introduced by: <u>Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr.</u>

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WHEREAS, Rita loved her island community and served the people through the different organizations she is affiliated with. She also served the Catholic Church through different ministries, especially with the *Santa Lourdes* parish and *Santa Marian Kamalen*. As a disciple of the Lord, she had immersed herself in serving the Church since she was thirteen years of age. She was a *techa* for the *Santa Lourdes* parish and the community of *Yigo*. She and her husband, Jesus C. Artero, were charged as the primary caretakers of the *Yigo* Church years before a priest was permanently assigned to that parish, and even after. With the help of her family and other parishioners, she was often in charge of cleaning the church and church vestments, and coordinating the arrangement of the flowers, the carosa of *Santa Lourdes*, the *Belen*, and the construction and setup for the Corpus Christi celebration. Rita treated the church as if it were her home, and she continued to flourish its beauty with her presence, but most importantly, with her desire to put the Lord first above all else; and

WHEREAS, many individuals were inspired through Rita; and for years, Rita had been the President of the Christian Mothers in the Parish of Yigo. She was also very supportive of the other officers of those organizations, and the Legion of Mary. She was also an active member of the Government of Guam Association of Retired Persons (GGARP). During Chamorro Week celebrations, she read to school children, telling them stories about the history of the ancient Chamorros, while dressed in her Chamorro mestiza. She wanted children to embrace and understand the essence of our island's culture. She also reached out to other members of the community, and traveled up to Andersen Air Force Base with a group of her friends to share in the Chamorro Week celebrations. Rita displayed and taught some traditional crafts, such as coconut weaving of different assortments; and

WHEREAS, Rita was a walking reflection of the Lord on this earth as she ministered to the poor, the sick, the hungry, the imprisoned, and the youth. Rita and her husband, Jesus, with the grace of our Lord, also converted a lot of people within their community and their families into Christianity as Catholics, and also became main sponsors. They were also strong supporters of the Catholic Charities Appeal; and

WHEREAS, Rita has touched the lives of many people from different walks of life with love, compassion, and gentleness. To all who had the privilege of knowing and experiencing the warmth of her presence, they feel that they have been touched by a servant of the Lord. Rita Calvo Artero not only has a passionate love for our Lord, but she also has a profound love for our Blessed Mother; and she still continues to love, serve, and celebrate the Eucharist daily; and

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- 12 Guåhan.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY *I MINA'TRENTAI DOS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* ON THE 9<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF APRIL 2014.

JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D. Speaker

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# I MINA'TRENTAI DOS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN 2014 (SECOND) Regular Session

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Resolution No. 350-32 (LS)

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JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D. Speaker

#### I MINA'TRENTAI DOS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN 2014 (SECOND) Regular Session

#### Resolution No. 350-32 (LS)

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13 own; and

WHEREAS, she was a loving mother, who has been the matriarch of her family and also to her husband's side of the family. Her compassion, support, and familial values extended further than to not only her immediate family, but also to all her nephews and nieces as they lost their parents by death. She took the role of "The Elder" or "Mother Figure" and never hesitated to give so lovingly of herself to the dedication of serving her family and her community, most especially to serving the Lord. Her love and unselfish dedication to serving the Lord sets her apart; and

WHEREAS, Rita loved her island community and served the people through different organizations she is affiliated with. She also served the Catholic Church through different ministries, especially the Santa Lourdes parish and Santa Marian Kamalin. As a disciple of the Lord, she immersed herself in serving the church since she was thirteen years of age. She was a techa for the Santa Lourdes parish and the community of Yigo. She and her husband, Jesus C. Artero were charged as the primary caretakers of the Yigo Church, years before a priest was permanently assigned to that parish and even after. She, and sometimes with the help of her family and other parishioners was in charge of cleaning the church and church vestments and coordinating the arrangement of the flowers, the karaosa of Santa Lourdes, the belen and the construction and setups for the Corpus Christi celebration. Rita treated the church as if it were her home, and continued to flourish its beauty with her presence, but most importantly, with her desire to put the Lord first above all else; and

WHEREAS, many individuals were inspired through Rita, so for years, Rita has been the President of the Christian Mothers in the Parish of Yigo. She was also very supportive of other officers of those organizations and the Legion of Mary. She was also an active member of GGARP. During Chamorro week celebrations, she read to school children, telling them stories about the history of the ancient

- 1 Chamorro as she dressed in the Chamorro mestiza. She wanted children to embrace
- and understand the essence of our island's culture. She reached other members of
- the community when she went up to AAFB with a group of her friends to share the
- 4 Chamorro week celebrations. Rita displayed and taught some traditional crafts
- such as coconut weaving of different assortments; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Rita was a walking reflection of the Lord on this earth as she
- 7 ministered to the poor, the sick, the hungry, the imprisoned, and the youth. Rita
- and her husband, Jesus, with the grace of our Lord, also converted a lot of people
- 9 within their community and their families into Christianity as Catholics, and also
- became main sponsors. They were also strong supporters of the Catholic Charities
- 11 Appeal; and
- WHEREAS, Rita has touched the lives of many people from different walks
- of life with love, compassion, and gentleness. To all who had the privilege of
- 14 knowing and experiencing the warmth of her presence, they feel that they have
- been touched by a servant of the Lord. Rita Calvo Artero not only has a passionate
- love for our Lord, but she also has a profound love for our Blessed Mother, which
- she still continues to love, serve, and celebrate the Eucharist daily; and
- WHEREAS, the Lord blessed Rita with a loving family, good health, and a
- long life. She continuously eats organic foods, which she grew in her own herbal
- 20 garden and still follows her daily habits of not eating anything after 6:00pm, except
- warm milk to sustain her if needed. Rita is blessed with a combined total of 13
- children (4 biological and 9 step-children), a combined total of 25 grandchildren
- and a combined total of 66 great grandchildren; and now, therefore be it
- **RESOLVED**, the Committee on Rules of *I Mina'Trentai Dos Na I*
- 25 Liheslaturan Guåhan, does hereby, on behalf of I Liheslaturan Guåhan and the
- people of Guam, recognize and congratulate Rita Calvo Artero as she celebrates

- 1 her one hundred and one (101) years of life and further commending her as a
- 2 "2014 Senior Citizens' Month Centenarian;" and be it further
- RESOLVED, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on
- 4 Rules certify, and the Secretary of the Legislature attest to the adoption hereof, and
- 5 that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Rita Calvo Artero; and to the
- 6 Honorable Edward J.B. Calvo, I Maga'lahen Guåhan.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF *I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* ON THE \_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF APRIL, 2014.

JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D Speaker RORY RESPICIO Chairman, Committee on Rules