

I Mina Trentai Tres Na Liheslaturan Guåhan
Resolutions Log Sheet

Resolution No.	Sponsor	Title	Date Intro	Date of Presentation	Date Referred	Committee / Ofc Referred	PUBLIC HEARING DATE	DATE COMMITTEE REPORT FILED	Date Adopted
312-33 (COR)	Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr.	Relative to commending and congratulating Dr. Gerhard Schwab, Ph.D. on being awarded with the 2016 "Lifetime Achievement Award" by the National Association of Social Workers (NASW), Guam Chapter; and to further extending a warm and sincere Un Dângkolo Na Si Yu'os Ma'åse' to him for his hard work and dedication to the needs of the most vulnerable population of our island community.	3/11/16 3:36 p.m.	3/18/2016 6:00 p.m.					03/17/16

I MINA'TRENTAI TRES NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
2016 (SECOND) Regular Session

Resolution No. 312-33 (COR)

Introduced by:

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

3 **WHEREAS,** Dr. Gerhard Schwab was born and raised in Austria where he
4 grew up in a family that benefited from the assistance of numerous support programs.
5 His family had struggled and was of the working class community, but he was able to

1 attend college through government assistance; and during his college education, he
2 was successful in earning his terminal degree in Social Work; and

3 **WHEREAS**, from 1981 to 1986, Dr. Schwab began social work practice in
4 Austria. He also worked in Papua New Guinea with criminal youth gangs; and
5 despite the great difficulties he faced there, he persevered, and was proud of what he
6 achieved in his work. In 1986, he moved to Guam, where he became married and
7 continued in his professional work at the Archdiocese of *Agaña* for three (3) years.
8 After his three (3) years of work with the Archdiocese of *Agaña*, it was his personal
9 decision to further his education and earn his doctoral studies in social work alongside
10 his wife; and they agreed to commit themselves to their education; and

11 **WHEREAS**, in 1990, Dr. Schwab entered the joint Ph.D. program in Social
12 Work and Psychology at the University of Michigan. Though his studies were tough
13 and difficult, he still enjoyed it; and, to help pay for his tuition, he worked as a
14 research assistant for the University of Michigan. In 1995, he passed all of his
15 doctoral exams in social work and psychology and then returned to Guam to continue
16 his work. He was conferred with a Ph.D. degree in social work and psychology in
17 1998. Additionally, it should be noted that Dr. Schwab also holds university degrees
18 from Sozialakademie Bregenz, an Academy for Social Work in Austria, and from the
19 University of Oklahoma; and

20 **WHEREAS**, it is notable that Dr. Schwab's life before being employed at the
21 University of Guam made him the humble man that he is today. He is proud of his
22 upbringing and hard work, and he credits his overall success to the public support
23 from his fellow Austrian citizens. He knew that living a hard life was something he
24 would not put his family through; and with the support of his fellow Austrian
25 supporters, it has given him the strength to be where he is today. He acknowledges
26 that all of his success is a product of the support of his family, friends, and all the

1 committed scholars he has worked with, as well as the taxpayers in Guam and
2 Michigan; and

3 **WHEREAS**, Dr. Schwab is recognized for his many years in social work and
4 his service in various communities, which include Austria, Papua New Guinea,
5 Michigan, and Guam. Dr. Schwab is involved in social work locally and
6 internationally. He is also fluent in three (3) languages, and has learned to appreciate
7 the importance of oral and written communication of social work. Dr. Schwab
8 continues to view himself as a life-long learner, and he will be graduating this May
9 with a Bachelor's degree in Chamorro Studies from the University of Guam. This is a
10 prime example of his continuous work on sustaining and improving his cross-cultural
11 competencies, which he encourages amongst all his students; and

12 **WHEREAS**, Dr. Schwab played a significant role in the establishment and
13 sustainment of the University of Guam's Social Work program; and his multi-cultural
14 backgrounds and skills have helped students to think critically and cognitively while
15 instilling cultural empathy and competence. He works with the utmost respect for his
16 students - one of his most critical attributes. He mentors his students but also takes
17 the time to learn from his students and fellow colleagues. He is on a continuous
18 mission to seek ways to improve the quality of teaching by increasing his knowledge
19 of how his students learn; and

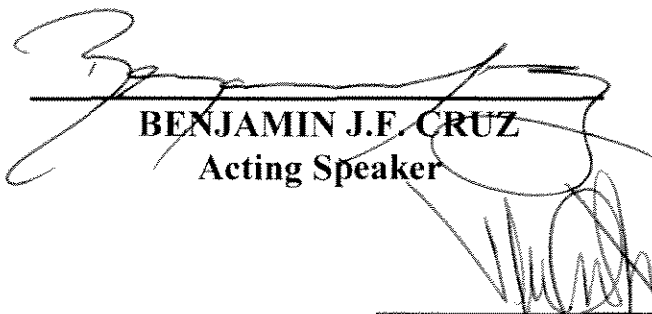
20 **WHEREAS**, Dr. Schwab is committed to his leadership responsibilities as
21 Chairperson of the University of Guam Social Work program; and Dr. Schwab has
22 been extremely instrumental to the program and its students. His leadership role and
23 efforts to keep the Social Work program sustained and accredited has been incredible;
24 and his work in the sustainment and accreditation of the University of Guam Social
25 Work program is vital. His work allows his students to continue pursuing their
26 aspirations of being the best professional social worker they can be; and it is for this

1 reason, alongside his many years in the professional field, that Dr. Gerhard J. Schwab
2 was nominated for the 2016 “Lifetime Achievement Award”; now therefore, be it

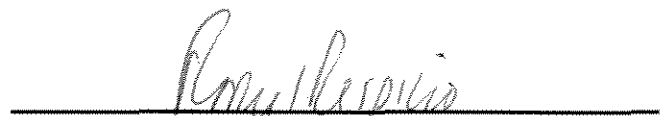
3 **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina'Trentai Tres Na*
4 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the people
5 of Guam, commend and congratulate Dr. Gerhard Schwab, Ph.D., on being awarded
6 with the 2016 “Lifetime Achievement Award” by the National Association of Social
7 Workers (NASW) Guam Chapter; and does further extend a warm and sincere *Un*
8 *Dångkolo Na Si Yu'os Ma'åse'* to him for his hard work and dedication to the needs of
9 the most vulnerable population of our island community; and be it further

10 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules
11 certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of
12 the same be thereafter transmitted to Dr. Gerhard Schwab, Ph.D.; to the National
13 Association of Social Workers (NASW), Guam Chapter; and to the Honorable
14 Edward J.B. Calvo, *I Maga'låhen Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF
I MINA'TRENTAI TRES NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE 17TH DAY
OF MARCH 2016.**



BENJAMIN J.F. CRUZ
Acting Speaker



RORY J. RESPICIO
Chairperson, Committee on Rules



TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES
Legislative Secretary



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COMMITTEE VOTING SHEET

Resolution No. 312-33 (COR) - Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr. - "Relative to commending and congratulating Dr. Gerhard Schwab, Ph.D. on being awarded with the 2016 "Lifetime Achievement Award" by the National Association of Social Workers (NASW), Guam Chapter; and to further extending a warm and sincere *Un Dångkolo Na Si Yu'os Ma'åse'* to him for his hard work and dedication to the needs of the most vulnerable population of our island community."

	SIGNATURE	DATE	TO ADOPT	TO NOT ADOPT	TO ABSTAIN
Senator Rory J. Respicio Chairperson					
Senator Thomas C. Ada Vice-Chairperson	EVOTE	3/16/16	✓		
Speaker Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D. Member	EVOTE	3/16/16	✓		
Vice-Speaker Benjamin J.F. Cruz Member	EVOTE	3/16/16	✓		
Legislative Secretary Tina Rose Muña Barnes Member	EVOTE	3/16/16	✓		
Senator Frank B. Aguon, Jr. Member	EVOTE	3/16/16	✓		
Senator Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr. Member	<i>DR</i>	3/16/16	✓		
Senator Michael F.Q. San Nicolas Member					
Senator Nerissa B. Underwood, Ph.D. Member					
Senator V. Anthony Ada Minority Leader	EVOTE	3/16/16	✓		
Senator Mary Camacho Torres Minority Member	EVOTE	3/16/16	✓		

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Sponsor Signature: *DR*
Staff Contact Person:

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8 Certified _____ Returned _____
Name: *E Winston M. Iligato*
Date: *3/15/2016*
Notes: *Spoke to sponsor (Joe M.) said vote be in 3/16/16*

Adjusted date on res. 3/17/16. Not found in till 3/18/16. M