

I MINA'TRENTAI SAIS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No.	Sponsor	Title	Date Intro	Date of Presentation	Date Adopted	Date Referred	Referred to	PUBLIC HEARING DATE	DATE COMMITTEE REPORT FILED	NOTES
51-36 (COR)	Tina Rose Muña Barnes	Relative to recognizing Dr. Suzanne Sison Kaneshiro on her retirement from the Guam Department of Public Health and Social Services as the Chief Public Health Officer; and further commending her for her twenty-nine (29) years of outstanding service to the Government of Guam, our community, and our island.	3/29/21 2:50 p.m.	4/2/21 9:00 a.m.	5/4/21 2:11 p.m.					

Resolution No. 51-36 (COR)

Introduced by:

Tina Rose Muña Barnes	
V. Anthony Ada	Clyton E. Ridgell
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Joanne Brown	Amanda L. Shelton
Christopher M. Duenas	Telo T. Tarrago
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Relative to recognizing and congratulating Dr. Suzanne Sison Kaneshiro on her retirement from the Government of Guam after serving as the Chief Public Health Officer of the Department of Public Health and Social Services; and commending her for her twenty-nine (29) years of outstanding public service to the Government of Guam and the people of Guam.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF I MINA TRENTAI SAIS NA LIHESLATURAN GUAHAN:

WHEREAS, Dr. Suzanne Sison Kaneshiro, DDS, was born to proud parents Benjamin S. Sison, MD and Ofelia C. Sison, and is married to fellow orthodontist Roger J. Kaneshiro, DDS MS, and has two (2) children, Kimberly Kaneshiro, DDS and Paul Kaneshiro, DDS; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Suzanne Sison Kaneshiro holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in Chemistry from the University of Hawaii, Manoa; a Doctor of Dental Surgery (DDS) Degree from Marquette University School of Dentistry in Milwaukee, Wisconsin; a Certificate of General Practice Residency Program from the Veterans Administration Medical Center in Dayton, Ohio; and a Masters in Business Administration (MBA), Healthcare Administration, from Loma Linda University in California; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Kaneshiro began her practice in dentistry working as a Staff Dentist at the Veterans Administration Medical Center in Dayton, Ohio (1990-1991). She then returned to Guam to work as an Associate Dentist at Tom Veloria, DMD and Associates (1992-1993), FHP Dental Clinic (2001-2003), and Harmon Loop Dental (2001-present); and

WHEREAS, Dr. Kaneshiro then began her public service career with the Guam Department of Public Health and Social Services and served as a Dental Officer I (1992-1993) and Dental Officer II (1993-1998). During her time there, she was in charge of and performed all necessary anesthetic procedures, restorations, pulpomies, and extractions, as well as supervised all dental health exams, and auxiliary personnel. She was then promoted to the position of Chief Public Health Dental Officer (1998-2011) where she oversaw the management of the Dental Program and administered departmental, division, and bureau policies for personnel, training, and safety; and she ensured that the Dental Program of the Department of Public Health and Social Services gave adequate dental services to the people of Guam by keeping the clinical protocol and procedures at its newest and updated constantly; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Kaneshiro spent the last ten (10) years of her career serving as the Chief Public Health Officer of the Department of Public Health and Social Services; and during her time as Chief Public Health Officer, she directed and administered the overall operations of the Division of Public Health, which includes the Bureau of Communicable Disease Control, the Bureau of Family Health and Nursing Services, the Bureau of Community Support Services, the Bureau of Nutrition Services, the Bureau of Primary Care Services, and the Chief Public Health Officer - Office of Vital Statistics, Dental Program, and Office of Epidemiology and Research; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Kaneshiro has served on many boards such as: the Hemophilia Foundation of Guam, Treasurer (2001-2003); the Saint Anthony Catholic School Advisory Board, Member (2005-2009); and the Guam Emergency Medical Services Commission, Member (2006-2011). She has also held memberships in the following associations: the DPHSS Employee Association; the Pacific Basin Dental Association; the American Association of State and Territorial Directors; the American Dental Association; the Academy of General Dentistry; and the Guam Dental Society; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Kaneshiro is certified and has conducted the annual HIPAA training for the Department of Public Health and Social Services to ensure her staff is adequately trained in the appropriate health protocol. Some of her certifications and training include: Certified HIPAA Professional - HIPAA Academy (2015-2021); Certified Cyber Security Architect (2018-2021); IS-00907 Active Shooter: What You Can Do Certificate (2017); 23rd National HIPAA Summit (2015); Guam Joint Criminal-Epidemiological Intervention Workshop (2017); Nonviolent Crisis Intervention Training (2017); and Data for Decision Making Training Module I, Fiji National University (2017) - just to name a few; and

WHEREAS, aside from being a full-time healthcare worker, Dr. Kaneshiro was also a full-time mother of two (2) children; and over the past twenty-nine (29) years, Dr. Kaneshiro had worked tirelessly to support her children's dreams of following in her footsteps to become dentists, and by June 2021, both of her children will be licensed dentists. Her selflessness, compassion, and unconditional love encompasses her wonderful personality, as she makes an effort to recognize other people's birthdays and achievements through celebrations and acts of service. Her absolute favorite color in the world is purple and she loves organizing and celebrating holiday parties and gatherings. It is known among her friends and colleagues that Halloween would not be the same in her *Barrigada* Heights neighborhood without her massive collection of life-sized animated figures and sound displays that rivals the likes of Universal Studios; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Kaneshiro is known by her colleagues to bring an uplifting spirit not only at the Department of Public Health and Social Services but everywhere she goes. She is an avid traveler and has been to all seven (7) continents and has visited fifty-four (54) countries. Some of her notable travel experiences include attending the FIFA World Cup in South Africa (2010), visiting the Vatican City in Rome, exploring the world of the Incas in Peru, and traversing Russia on the Trans-Siberian Railway. Dr. Kaneshiro's transportation preferences are not limited to planes and cruise-liners. She has ridden bangkas between the Philippine Islands, propeller planes between the Micronesian Islands, camels throughout the deserts of Dubai, mopeds in Cambodia, Zip-Lining in several countries, and many more. To commemorate every adventure, Dr. Kaneshiro constructs souvenir phonebooks for herself and everyone who has traveled with her; and

WHEREAS, Dr. K, as she is fondly called, is known to never say "No" Her response is always a "Yes" to everything, and her "Can Do" attitude and adventurous spirit has influenced all who have come to know and love her. Even in challenging and difficult times, her fun and upbeat personality has made it easy to connect with people and to effectively meet the needs of the people of Guam. She gives her heart and soul to every task whether it is a government related effort or a humanitarian endeavor; and her interest in the people's needs was her driving force to effectuate proper care while serving at the Department of Public Health and Social Services; now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Committee on Rules of I Mina Trentai Sais Na Liheslaturan Guahan does hereby, on behalf of I Liheslaturan Guahan and the people of Guam, recognize and congratulate Dr. Suzanne Sison Kaneshiro on her retirement from the Government of Guam after serving as the Chief Public Health Officer of the Department of Public Health and Social Services; and commend her for her twenty-nine (29) years of outstanding public service to the Government of Guam and the people of Guam; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Dr. Suzanne Sison Kaneshiro; and to the Honorable Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero, I Mags'haan Guahan.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF I MINA TRENTAI SAIS NA LIHESLATURAN GUAHAN ON THE 4TH DAY OF MAY 2021.

Therese M. Terlaje
 THERESE M. TERLAJE
 Speaker

Tina Rose Muña Barnes
 TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES
 Chairperson, Committee on Rules

Amanda L. Shelton
 AMANDA L. SHELTON
 Legislative Secretary



Allen C. Peale
 05/07/21 @ 4pm



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May 5, 2021

MEMORANDUM

To: All Senators
36th Guam Legislature

From: Vice Speaker Tina Rose Muña Barnes

Subject: Presentation of Resolution No. 51-36 (COR)

Buenas yan Háfa Adai!

Please join me in presenting the following Legislative Resolution:

Resolution No. 51-36 (COR) – *Introduced by Vice Speaker Tina Rose Muña Barnes* – Relative to recognizing and congratulating Dr. Suzanne Sison Kaneshiro on her retirement from the Government of Guam after serving as the Chief Public Health Officer of the Department of Public Health and Social Services; and commending her for her twenty-nine (29) years of outstanding public service to the Government of Guam and the people of Guam.

The presentation will take place on **Saturday, May 8, 2021 at 6:00 p.m., during a private event at the Hilton Hotel. For more details, please contact the Office of the Vice Speaker.**

Si Yu'os Ma'åse'!

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2021 (FIRST) Regular Session

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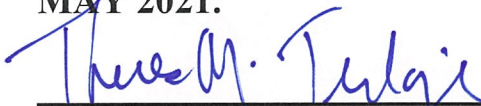
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**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF
I MINA'TRENTAI SAIS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE 4TH DAY OF
MAY 2021.**



THERESE M. TERLAJE
Speaker



TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES
Chairperson, Committee on Rules



AMANDA L. SHELTON
Legislative Secretary



COMMITTEE ON RULES

VICE SPEAKER TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES, CHAIRPERSON

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36th Guam Legislature

COMMITTEE VOTE SHEET

Resolution No. 51-36 (COR) - Tina Rose Muña Barnes. - "Relative to recognizing and congratulating Dr. Suzanne Sison Kaneshiro on her retirement from the Government of Guam after serving as the Chief Public Health Officer of the Department of Public Health and Social Services; and commending her for her twenty-nine (29) years of outstanding public service to the Government of Guam and the people of Guam."

	SIGNATURE	DATE	TO ADOPT	TO NOT ADOPT	TO ABSTAIN
Vice Speaker Tina Rose Muña Barnes Chairperson		5/04/21	✓		
Legislative Secretary Amanda L. Shelton Vice Chairperson	e-vote	5/04/21	✓		
Speaker Therese M. Terlaje Member					
Senator Telena Cruz Nelson Member					
Senator Sabina Flores Perez Member	e-vote	5/04/21	✓		
Senator Clynton E. Ridgell Member	e-vote	5/04/21	✓		
Senator Joe S. San Agustin Member					
Senator Jose "Pedo" T. Terlaje Member	e-vote	5/04/21	✓		
Senator Frank F. Blas, Jr. Minority Member	e-vote	5/04/21	✓		
Senator Mary Camacho Torres Minority Member	e-vote	5/04/21	✓		
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Sponsor Signature:					
Staff Contact Person: Hannah Elmore					
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Name: Marie Crisostomo					
Date: 5/4/21 2:11 p.m.					
Notes:					