

**I MINA'TRENTAI SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
RESOLUTIONS**

Resolution No.	Sponsor	Title	Date Intro	Date of Presentation	Date Adopted	Date Referred	Referred to	PUBLIC HEARING DATE	DATE AUTHORS REPORT FILED	NOTES
147-37 (LS)	Roy A. B. Quinata	Relative to recognizing Rear Admiral Benjamin Nicholson, United States Navy; and commending him upon the completion of his tour of duty as the U.S. Indo-Pacific Command Representative for Guam, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, the Federated States of Micronesia, and the Republic of Palau as Commander, U.S. Naval Forces, Marianas, and Commander, Joint Region Marianas.	6/19/23 3:57 p.m.	6/21/23 10:00 a.m.	6/20/23 3:20 p.m.					

Resolution No. 147-37 (LS)

Introduced by:

Roy A. B. Quinata

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

WHEREAS, it is the sense of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* to recognize and honor those distinguished citizens of the great island of Guam who have devoted themselves to faithfully serving in the best interests of Guam and the needs of its people; and

WHEREAS, one such faithful and outstanding public servant is Rear Admiral Benjamin Nicholson, who was a 1993 graduate of the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy with a Bachelor of Science degree in Marine Engineering; and who had also earned a Master's Degree in Systems Engineering from the Naval Postgraduate School and a Master's Degree in National Security from the Naval War College; and

WHEREAS, Rear Admiral Benjamin Nicholson's military decorations include receiving the Defense Superior Service Medal, the Legion of Merit, the Bronze Star, the Defense Meritorious Service Medal, the Meritorious Service Medal, the Navy Commendation Medal, the Joint Service Achievement Medal, the Navy Achievement Medal, the Combat Action Ribbon, and various campaign and unit awards; and he is also a 2015 recipient of the "FBI Director's Award"; and

WHEREAS, Rear Admiral Benjamin Nicholson, United States Navy, began his tour of duty on June 16, 2021 as the U.S. Indo-Pacific Command Representative for Guam, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, the Federated States of Micronesia, and the Republic of Palau as Commander, U.S. Naval Forces, Marianas, and Commander, Joint Region Marianas; and

WHEREAS, Rear Admiral Benjamin Nicholson demonstrated his dedication to promoting harmony, mutual benefit, and respect for the *CHamoru* culture, the environment, and Guam's regional history by being accessible to both the Executive and Legislative branches of the Government of Guam, as well as numerous civic organizations; and he encouraged and pursued active participation in matters affecting the island community; and

WHEREAS, Rear Admiral Benjamin Nicholson was a skilled communicator who worked closely with community organizations to provide them with accurate information about military activities, even if they were controversial. He also organized media events and is doing so again today as he introduces his successor, Rear Admiral Gregory C. Huffman. Rear Admiral Benjamin Nicholson was proud of the environmental protections that were implemented as part of the Military Buildup program, and he had a strong interest in the local history and culture; and he also enjoyed spending time with elderly island residents, listening to their stories; and

WHEREAS, it is the sense of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* that when individuals of such noble aims and accomplishments, such as Rear Admiral Benjamin Nicholson, are brought to its attention, they should be celebrated and recognized throughout the islands; now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina'trentai Siette Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the people of Guam, recognize Rear Admiral Benjamin Nicholson, United States Navy; and commend him upon the completion of his tour of duty as the U.S. Indo-Pacific Command Representative for Guam, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, the Federated States of Micronesia, and the Republic of Palau as Commander, U.S. Naval Forces, Marianas, and Commander, Joint Region Marianas; 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 Rear Admiral Benjamin Nicholson; and the Honorable Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero, *I Maga'hågan Guåhan*.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF *I MINA'TRENTAI SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* ON THE 20TH DAY OF JUNE 2023.



THERESE M. TERLAJE
Speaker



CHRIS BARNETT
Chairperson, Committee on Rules



AMANDA L. SHELTON
Legislative Secretary

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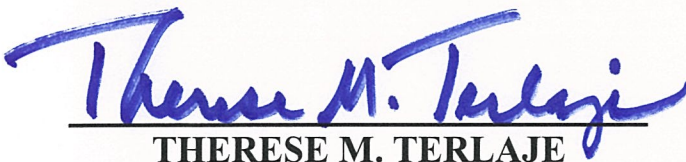
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Chairperson, Committee on Rules



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COMMITTEE ON RULES


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COMMITTEE VOTE SHEET

Resolution No. 147-37 (LS)– Roy A.B. Quinata. – “Relative to recognizing Rear Admiral Benjamin Nicholson, United States Navy; and commending him upon the completion of his tour of duty as the U.S. Indo-Pacific Command Representative for Guam, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, the Federated States of Micronesia, and the Republic of Palau as Commander, U.S. Naval Forces, Marianas, and Commander, Joint Region Marianas.”

	INITIAL	DATE	TO ADOPT	TO NOT ADOPT	TO ABSTAIN
Senator Chris Barnett Chairperson					
Senator Sabina Flores Perez Vice Chairperson					
Speaker Therese M. Terlaje Member					
Vice Speaker Tina Rose Muña Barnes Member					
Legislative Secretary Amanda L. Shelton Member	E-VOTE	6/20/23	✓		
Senator William A. Parkinson Member	E-VOTE	6/20/23	✓		
Senator Roy A. B. Quinata Member	<i>RAC</i>	6/20/23	✓		
Senator Joe S. San Agustin Member	E-VOTE	6/20/23	✓		
Senator Dwayne T. D. San Nicolas Member	E-VOTE	6/20/23	✓		
Senator Joanne Brown Minority Member	E-VOTE	6/20/23	✓		
Senator Christopher M. Dueñas Minority Member	E-VOTE	6/20/23	✓		
Senator Thomas J. Fisher Minority Member					
Senator Telo T. Taitague Minority Member					
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Name: Marie Crisostomo					
Date: June 20, 2023 3:20 p.m.					
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OFFICE OF SENATOR
ROY A. B. QUINATA

I Mina' trentai Siette na Liheslaturan Guåhan | 37th Guam Legislature
Committee on Infrastructure, Economic Development, Simon Sanchez High School, Disabilities Services,
Self-Determination and Historic Preservation, Housing, Public Accountability, and the Guam Buildup

June 20, 2023

MEMORANDUM

To: All Members of *I Mina'trentai Siette Na Liheslaturan Guåhan*

From: Senator Roy A. B. Quinata 

Subject: Notice of Presentation - Resolution No. 147-37 (LS)

Buenas yan Håfa Adai!

Be advised presentation of **Resolution No. 147-37 (LS)** "Relative to recognizing Rear Admiral Benjamin Nicholson, United States Navy; and commending him upon the completion of his tour of duty as the U.S. Indo-Pacific Command Representative for Guam, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, the Federated States of Micronesia, and the Republic of Palau as Commander, U.S. Naval Forces, Marianas, and Commander, Joint Region Marianas," on June 21, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. and will take place at the Marine Corp Base Camp Blaz – Hanger 2, Ylgo.

I look forward to your attendance and participation.

Si Yu'os Ma'åse'