

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

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WHEREAS, the late Honorable Candido Babauta Taman, former Member of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI) House of Representatives and fondly known as "Candy," was born in Saipan on January 19, 1948; he was the son of the late Vincente Iguel Taman and the late Soledad Babauta Taman, and had eight (8) siblings: Antonio, Martin, Sam, Connie, Rosario, Maria Rosa, Lourdes, and Jeanette. While growing up in Saipan, Candy cultivated his lifelong love for CHamoru and Carolinian music, language, and culture; and in August of 2020, Candy married his wife, Mary Ellen Wertz Taman, after almost thirty (30) years of being together as a loving couple. Candy had nine (9) children: the late Vincent Taman, John Randy E. Taman, Rita Taman Ilal, Carla Terry Taman, Candice Sabrina Taman, Clyde Wertz, Jonnie T. Sablan, Ellenor Wertz, and Martin Angelo Taman; and from his children, Candy was blessed with numerous children-in-law and grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Candy's life experiences were full of talent, public service, and advocacy, all of which significantly contributed to the preservation of CHamoru and Carolinian music, language, and culture across Guam and the Commonwealth of the Northern Marianas Islands (CNMI). Candy learned to play the guitar at the age of thirteen (13) and eventually picked up the ukulele. His successful music career is fondly remembered by many across the Marianas, and some of his most well-known songs are "Hu-tugge Na Kantu," "Koronan Flores," and the very popular and recognizable local favorite, "Amerikan Pno Asu." But Candy didn't just have a career in music; he also participated in and enjoyed public service and advocacy that was focused on protecting the rights of the CHamoru and Carolinian people and the preservation of their languages and cultures. Candy did this by working as the Assistant to the Director of Saipan's Division of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR); serving as Director of the Chamorro/Carolinian Language Policy Commission from 2002 to 2004; being elected to serve as a Member of the CNMI House of Representatives in the Fifteenth (15th) Legislature from 2005 to 2007; and working with the University of Guam (UOG) to translate books in the CHamoru, Carolinian, and English languages; and

WHEREAS, Candy received numerous accolades, awards, and recognitions during his career and life. Some of these include the 2014 Island Music Awards Icon Plaque and a Master's Degree of Micronesian Traditional Knowledge, which Candy was honored with by the University of Guam in May of 2014. UOG honored Candy with the Master's Degree to recognize "his knowledge, expertise and status as a true leader among leaders, as the inheritor of generations of traditional knowledge, as the exceptional teacher of this knowledge, for his contributions to the maintenance of Micronesian tradition, and for enriching the lives of the people of the Micronesian region"; and

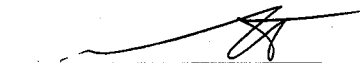
WHEREAS, Candy passed away at the age of seventy-five (75) in Guam on June 21, 2023 after a long, hard battle with liver cancer. He is survived by his wife Mary Ellen, and his siblings, children, grandchildren, family, and the many friends who loved him dearly. His love for CHamoru and Carolinian music, language, and culture will be forever remembered, and he has already inspired existing generations to do the same; now therefore, be it

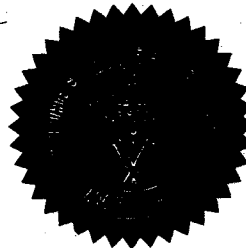
RESOLVED, that *I Mina'trentai Siette Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, posthumously recognize the late Honorable Candido "Candy" Babauta Taman, former Member of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI) House of Representatives, for his advocacy and contributions to the preservation of CHamoru and Carolinian music, language, and culture; and further express condolences to his family on his passing; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Speaker certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to the family of the late Honorable Candido "Candy" Babauta Taman; his wife, Mary Ellen Wertz Taman; and to the Honorable Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero, *I Magsa'hagan Guåhan*.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY I MINA'TRENTAI SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE 27TH DAY OF JUNE 2023.


THERESE M. TERLAJE
Speaker


CHRIS BARNETT
Acting Legislative Secretary




2/5/23

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2023 (FIRST) Regular Session

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Committee on Health, Land, Justice and Culture

July 3, 2023

MEMORANDUM

To: All Senators, Stakeholders

From: Speaker Therese M. Terlaje *TMT*

Subject: **Notice of Presentation - Resolution No. 150-37 (LS)**

Buenas yan Håfa Adai!

Please join us for the presentation of Resolution No. 150-37 (LS) – **“Relative to recognizing the late Candido "Candy" Babauta Taman for his advocacy and contributions to the preservation of CHamoru and Carolinian music, language, and culture, and further extending sincere condolences to his wife and family for their loss.”**

The presentation will be held on **Wednesday, July 5, 2023, at 11:30 a.m.** at the **Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church, To'to.**

We look forward to your attendance and participation.

Si Yu'os Ma'åse'!

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