

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
63-37 (LS)	Tina Rose Muña Barnes Amanda L. Shelton	Relative to recognizing Consul-General Kobayashi Toshiaki for strengthening relationships within our island community; and further commending him for his service to the Japanese community and people of Guam.	3/21/23 10:36 a.m.	3/30/23 1:00 p.m.	3/22/23 2:08 p.m.					

Resolution No. 63-37 (LS)

Introduced by:

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Relative to recognizing Consul-General Kobayashi Toshiaki for strengthening relationships within our island community; and further commending him for his service to the Japanese community and people of Guam.

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

WHEREAS, Consul-General Kobayashi Toshiaki was born in Nagasaki, Niigata Prefecture. He graduated from the Tokyo University of Foreign Studies in 1984, having studied Italian language, history, and literature. After joining the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in the same year, he studied at the University of Florence from 1985 to 1987; and

WHEREAS, Consul-General Kobayashi entered the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan in 1984 and served in the Press Affairs Division (1984-1985). In the Headquarters, he worked at the First Western European Division where he was the desk officer for Italy, Vatican, and San Marino (1992-1996). During that time, he was mainly responsible for the budget for rental properties at the Overseas Establishments Division (2018-2020); and

WHEREAS, Consul-General Kobayashi served at the Embassy of Japan in Italy three times (1985-1992, 1999-2002, and 2014-2018) and covered a wide range of matters. He also served at the Embassy of Japan in Canada as head of information and cultural section (2002-2005) and the Consulate-General in Sydney, Australia as Deputy and Acting Consul-General (2012-2014); and

WHEREAS, Consul-General Kobayashi was appointed Consul-General of Japan in *I Hagåtña* on April 12, 2020, and assumed the post on May 14, 2020. While serving his tenure on Guam, he built friendly relationships with various community members by visiting their offices and attending events together. He built strong relationships with the Governor and Lieutenant Governor of Guam; all Senators of the 35th, 36th, and 37th Guam Legislatures; several directors and agency heads in the Government of Guam; all the members of Mayors Council of Guam; Guam Chamber of Commerce, Guam and Japanese business leaders; Academic leaders and teachers including University of Guam, Guam Community College, and schools teaching Japanese language; and Sports-related organizations including Guam National Olympic Committee; and

WHEREAS, Consul-General Kobayashi promoted a friendly relationship with non-Japanese communities to enhance the *infa'malek* spirit of Guam by building and strengthening friendships with Consular Corps colleagues; collaborating in Lantern Floating Ceremony at *Ypao* Beach Park hosted by the Guam Nikei Association (September 2022); hosting "One Guam: Ethnic Community Youth golf tournament and island beautification activities; and

WHEREAS, Consul-General Kobayashi promoted cultural exchange by hosting and co-hosting various Japanese cultural events such as the Online Japanese Festival (December 2020); Virtual Japanese Cooking Demonstration by Chef Nishimura (January to March 2021); Online Japanese Traditional Arts Festival (February 2021); The Traveling Exhibition "The Spirit of Budo", History of Japan's Martial Arts at the Isla Center for the Arts, University of Guam (September 2021) and at the Guam Museum (October to November 2021); Online Japanese Cuisine Lecture and Demonstration (January 2022); Japan Cultural Exploration in Guam (JCEG) 2022 (February 2022); Online At Home Japanese Style Cooking produced by GUAM LOVERS (March 2022); the 15th Online Japanese Challenge Bowl (April & May, 2022); Japan Saturdays at Guam Premier Outlet, Micronesia Mall, and Agana Shopping Center (September 2022); Giant Tuna Cutting Performance as part of "Autumn Festival 2022" at *Ypao* Beach Park (November 2022); and One Guam: Ethnic Community Youth Night (March 2022); and

WHEREAS, Consul-General Kobayashi promoted reciprocal understanding and reconciliation efforts between Guam and Japan by attending and presenting a wreath at all the annual Liberation Day Ceremonies and other memorial ceremonies; attending the Liberation Day Parade 2022; and delivering the Liberation Day Message to the people of Guam via media; and

WHEREAS, Consul-General Kobayashi promoted educational exchange between Guam and Japan by sending "Japan Exchange and Teaching Program (JET)" participants from Guam to Japan and sending "Japan Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (MEXT) Scholarship" students to Japan; and

WHEREAS, Consul-General Kobayashi promoted mutual understanding and strengthened efforts for the tourism-related businesses by constantly gathering and sharing information on the COVID-19 infection, Japan's and Guam's border restrictions with Guam Visitors Bureau (GVB), Japan Guam Tourism Association (JGTA), Japan Club of Guam and tourism related companies and operators; and exchanging views and information with the Japan Association of Travel Agents (JATA); and

WHEREAS, Consul-General Kobayashi supported Japan and US Alliance by building a friendly relationship with the military commanding officers and other officers on Guam such as Joint Region Marianas; 36th Wing, Andersen Air Force Base, Naval Base Guam, Marine Corps Base Camp Blaz, NAVFAC (Naval Facilities Engineering Systems Command) Marianas, OICG (Officer in Charge of Construction) Marine Corps Marianas; Naval Base Hospital, and the US Coast Guard Forces Micronesia Sector Guam as well as Guam National Guard. He met with and briefed Japan Self-Defense Forces leadership visiting for military training on an overview regarding Guam to facilitate their military activities on Guam, accompanied high level Japanese Government Representatives during their visits to Guam to deepen their understanding of Guam and its relations with Japan, attended and escorted Vice Ministers from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the Ministry of Defense at the USMC Camp Blaz Reactivation and Renaming Ceremonies to demonstrate the Japanese Government's commitment to Guam and the security in the region, and hosted the US Military Appreciation Receptions; and

WHEREAS, Consul-General Kobayashi's next posting is Consul-General at the Consulate-General of Japan in Milan, Italy. Our island wishes him well on his new endeavors and thanks him for his service to the people of Guam; 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 Consul-General Kobayashi Toshiaki for strengthening relationships within our island community; and further commending him for his service to the Japanese community and 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 Consul-General Kobayashi Toshiaki; and to the Honorable Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero, *I Magoi Hagåtña Guåhan*.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF I MINA TRENTAI SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN GUĀHAN ON THE 22ND DAY OF MARCH 2023.

THERESE M. TERLAJE
Speaker

CHRIS BARNETT
Chairperson, Committee on Rules

AMANDA L. SHELTON
Legislative Secretary



3/29/23 @ 8:31pm

I MINA'TRENTAI SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
2023 (FIRST) Regular Session

Resolution No. 63-37 (LS)

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2 ***MINA'TRENTAI SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN:***

3 **WHEREAS,** Consul-General Kobayashi Toshiaki was born in Nagaoka, Niigata
4 Prefecture. He graduated from the Tokyo University of Foreign Studies in 1984, having
5 studied Italian language, history, and literature. After joining the Ministry of Foreign

1 Affairs in the same year, he studied at the University of Florence from 1985 to 1987;
2 and

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4 of Japan in 1984 and served in the Press Affairs Division (1984-1985). In the
5 Headquarters, he worked at the First Western European Division where he was the desk
6 officer for Italy, Vatican, and San Marino (1992-1996). During that time, he was mainly
7 responsible for the budget for rental properties at the Overseas Establishments Division
8 (1996-1999). At the Specialized Agencies Division, he managed and oversaw
9 international health issues (2005-2008). He most recently served as Director of the
10 International Science Cooperation Division (2018-2020); and

11 **WHEREAS**, Consul-General Kobayashi served at the Embassy of Japan in Italy
12 three times (1985-1992, 1999-2002, and 2014-2018) and covered a wide range of
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14 cultural section (2002-2005) and the Consulate-General in Sydney, Australia as Deputy
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16 **WHEREAS**, Consul-General Kobayashi was appointed Consul-General of
17 Japan in *Hagåtña* on April 12, 2020, and assumed the post on May 14, 2020. While
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21 35th, 36th, and 37th Guam Legislatures; several directors and agency heads in the
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4 Floating Ceremony at *Ypao* Beach Park hosted by the Guam Nikkei Association
5 (September 2022); hosting “One Guam: Ethnic Community Youth Night” (March
6 2023) which aims to enhance lateral connections among various ethnic communities;
7 attending other ethnic communities’ events; and participating in several charity events
8 including charity golf tournaments and island beautification activities; and

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18 Engineering Systems Command) Marianas, OICC (Officer in Charge of Construction)
19 Marine Corps Marianas; Naval Base Hospital, and the US Coast Guard Forces
20 Micronesia Sector Guam as well as Guam National Guard. He met with and briefed
21 Japan Self-Defense Forces leadership visiting for military training on an overview
22 regarding Guam to facilitate their military activities on Guam, accompanied high level
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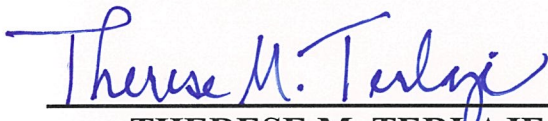
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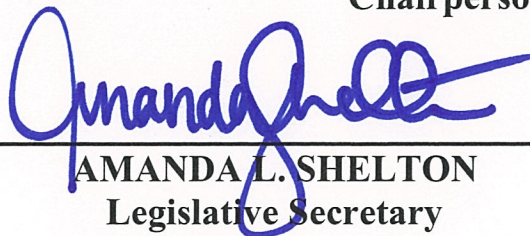
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Chairperson, Committee on Rules



AMANDA L. SHELTON
Legislative Secretary



COMMITTEE ON RULES

Chris Barnett, Chairperson, Committee on Rules

I Mina'trentai Siette Na Liheslaturan Guåhan

37th Guam Legislature

COMMITTEE VOTE SHEET

Resolution No. 63-37 (LS) – Tina Rose Muña Barnes. – “Relative to recognizing Consul-General Kobayashi Toshiaki for strengthening relationships within our island community; and further commending him for his service to the Japanese community and people of Guam.”

	INITIAL	DATE	TO ADOPT	TO NOT ADOPT	TO ABSTAIN
Senator Chris Barnett Chairperson					
Senator Sabina Flores Perez Vice Chairperson	e-vote	3/22/23	✓		
Speaker Therese M. Terlaje Member	e-vote	3/22/23	✓		
Vice Speaker Tina Rose Muña Barnes Member	<i>Tina Rose Muña Barnes</i>	3/22/23	✓		
Legislative Secretary Amanda L. Shelton Vice Chairperson	e-vote	3/22/23	✓		
Senator William Mark Parkinson Member	e-vote	3/22/23	✓		
Senator Roy A. B. Quinata Member	e-vote	3/22/23	✓		
Senator Joe S. San Agustin Member	e-vote	3/22/23	✓		
Senator Dwayne T. D. San Nicolas Member	e-vote	3/22/23	✓		
Senator Christopher M. Dueñas Minority Member	e-vote	3/22/23	✓		
Senator Joanne Brown Minority Member	e-vote	3/22/23	✓		
Senator Thomas J. Fisher Minority Member	e-vote	3/22/23	✓		
Senator Telo T. Taitague Minority Member	e-vote	3/22/23	✓		
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Sponsor Signature: <i>Tina Rose Muña Barnes</i>					
Staff Contact Person: Hannah Elmore					
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Office of the Vice Speaker

TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES

I Mina'trentai Siette Na Liheslaturan Guåhan

March 29, 2023

MEMORANDUM

To: All Senators
37th Guam Legislature

From: Vice Speaker Tina Rose Muña Barnes

Subject: Presentation of Resolution No. 63-37 (LS)

Buenas yan Håfa Adai!

Please join me in presenting **Resolution No. 63-37 (LS)** - introduced by Vice Speaker Tina Rose Muña Barnes and Amanda L. Shelton - "Relative to recognizing Consul-General Kobayashi Toshiaki for strengthening relationships within our island community; and further commending him for his service to the Japanese community and people of Guam."

The presentation will take place on **Thursday, March 30, 2023 at 1 p.m. in the Public Hearing Room at the Guam Congress Building.**

We look forward to your attendance and participation.

Si Yu'os Ma'åse'!