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RESOLUTIONS

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WHEREAS, David, while also serving as acting or interim Safety Administrator on several occasions between 2007 and October 2020, initially developed the UOG Crisis and Disaster Management Plan framework in 2007-2008; he provided the framework for getting National Incident Management System certified to all UOG leadership since 2009; he assisted with developing, updating, and distributing a safety brochure since 2009; he completed the "Shooting/Sniper/Violent Armed Individual" procedures in 2009, and conducted briefings to the BOR, students, employees, dorm students, and selected classes upon request; he completed the "Emergency Fire and Evacuation Procedures" in 2010 with announced fire drills for every major facility in 2011; he distributed the Earthquake guidelines from FEMA and GIS, and started the UOG participation in the Great Guam Shakeout in 2011, to include conducting after action reviews; he completed the "Bomb Threat and Evacuation Procedures" in 2016 and distributed the checklist to be placed next to every phone; and he developed a "North Korean Threat" information briefing providing a UOG framework in response relative to a potential missile attack in 2013, and provided this to the UOG leadership; and

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WHEREAS, David has been involved in over twenty-eight (28) UOG committees and councils that serve to address academic, support, governance processes, or activities; he was instrumental in the oversight management of UOG's Charter Day since 2011, the President's Cup since 2013, and the student line-up for commencement since 2007; he provided support to the Festival of the Pacific Arts Navigators in 2016-2017; he assisted with the successful implementation of the UOG 60th Anniversary celebration in 2012 and the 70th Anniversary celebration in 2022, the UOG Triton's Award Program, and the Distinguished Alumni Award Program; and he maintained the UOG/Coast 360-sponsored bus stop by removing graffiti and cutting the grass for the many students and community members who use it; and

WHEREAS, David served as an informal University ombudsman handling a variety of issues for students, employees, and the community; he served as an advisor, confidant, and sounding board in numerous situations for students and employees over the past more than sixteen (16+) years; and he assisted with the past three (3) presidential search processes, transitions, farewells, and investitures; and

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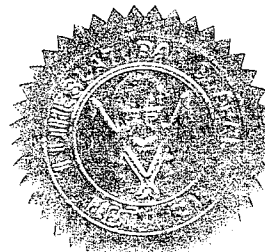
RESOLVED, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to David S. Okada; and the Honorable Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero, *I Mago'hagan Guåhan*.

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


THERESE M. TERLAJE
Speaker


CHRIS BARNETT
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17 successfully assisted the UOG President and Vice Presidents in supporting all of the
18 administrative functions of six (6) BOR committees, the Board of the whole, and the
19 Regent Nominating Council, to include required training and orientations for nine (9)
20 regents and updating the bylaws and governing regulations; he completed the annual
21 budget for the President's Office; he established a resolution template for consistency
22 in framework and format; he updated the emeritus and honorary degree policies; he
23 developed a Book of Appendices as a reference for the BOR with the Acting Chief
24 Planning Officer (CPO); and he upgraded the audio/visual equipment to support BOR
25 meetings and meet bylaws and new public law requirements; and

1 **WHEREAS**, David, while also serving as the interim CPFO in April 2019, and
2 working together with the Acting CPO and President Office Project Coordinator,
3 updated the strategic plan for the organization to the “Facilities, Management and
4 Services” (FMS) organization; he updated key duty position descriptions and hired
5 against four (4) of six (6) critical positions which he and the Acting CPO were
6 concurrently absorbing – FMS Director, Capital Project Manager, Building
7 Maintenance Superintendent, and Capital Improvement Project Officer; he procured
8 and implemented a new database/software management system, called FMX, designed
9 to efficiently manage work orders, inventory management, work schedules, preventive
10 maintenance schedules, and cycle replacement timelines, capable of generating
11 management reports and status of jobs/tasks; he completed the storm water outfall
12 project, science building expansion project, engineering school lab preparations, Marine
13 Lab lanai roof repair project with the Seabees, and water filling stations for students and
14 employees in five (5) major facilities, including the dormitories; he assisted with the
15 planning towards the construction of four (4) new critical facilities: the Student Success
16 Center, School of Engineering, School of Health Annex, and the Water and
17 Environmental Research Institute; and he assisted with the selection of a new contractor
18 who will be updating the overall physical master plan to complement the next strategic
19 plan for 2024-2029, Tulos Mo’na; and

20 **WHEREAS**, David, while also serving as acting or interim Safety Administrator
21 on several occasions between 2007 and October 2020, initially developed the UOG
22 Crisis and Disaster Management Plan framework in 2007-2008; he provided the
23 framework for getting National Incident Management System certified to all UOG
24 leadership since 2009; he assisted with developing, updating, and distributing a safety
25 brochure since 2009; he completed the “Shooting/Sniper/Violent Armed Individual”

1 procedures in 2009, and conducted briefings to the BOR, students, employees, dorm
2 students, and selected classes upon request; he completed the “Emergency Fire and
3 Evacuation Procedures” in 2010 with announced fire drills for every major facility in
4 2011; he distributed the Earthquake guidelines from FEMA and GHS, and started the
5 UOG participation in the Great Guam Shakeout in 2011, to include conducting after
6 action reviews; he completed the “Bomb Threat and Evacuation Procedures” in 2016
7 and distributed the checklist to be placed next to every phone; and he developed a
8 “North Korean Threat” information briefing providing a UOG framework in response
9 relative to a potential missile attack in 2013, and provided this to the UOG leadership;
10 and

11 **WHEREAS**, David, while serving as acting or interim Safety Administrator, also
12 updated the campus parking areas for Two-Wheeled Motor Vehicle parking and Bicycle
13 Rack Parking Plan in accordance with the Public Law 30-186 guidelines in 2011; he
14 updated the UOG Parking Policy in 2015 and addressed the illegal parking issues on
15 campus, and he assisted in identifying additional overflow parking areas in 2016; he
16 updated the campus in selected areas with truncated domes to support a seeing-impaired
17 student to maneuver through campus in 2016; he re-organized the Institutional Safety
18 Committee as a means to address safety issues with representatives from each major
19 department in 2018; he addressed recurring issues of lighting on campus at night; he
20 coordinated for a GHS Beacon to be installed at UOG to receive emergency notices in
21 December 2021; and he assisted with procurement of a new Alertus System in 2022 for
22 emergency notices to go out through multiple medium, when needed; and

23 **WHEREAS**, David has been involved in over twenty-eight (28) UOG
24 committees and councils that serve to address academic, support, governance processes,
25 or activities; he was instrumental in the oversight management of UOG’s Charter Day

1 since 2011, the President’s Cup since 2013, and the student line-up for commencement
2 since 2007; he provided support to the Festival of the Pacific Arts Navigators in 2016-
3 2017; he assisted with the successful implementation of the UOG 60th Anniversary
4 celebration in 2012 and the 70th Anniversary celebration in 2022, the UOG Triton’s
5 Award Program, and the Distinguished Alumni Award Program; and he maintained the
6 UOG/Coast 360-sponsored bus stop by removing graffiti and cutting the grass for the
7 many students and community members who use it; and

8 **WHEREAS**, David served as an informal University ombudsman handling a
9 variety of issues for students, employees, and the community; he served as an advisor,
10 confidant, and sounding board in numerous situations for students and employees over
11 the past more than sixteen (16+) years; and he assisted with the past three (3)
12 presidential search processes, transitions, farewells, and investitures; and

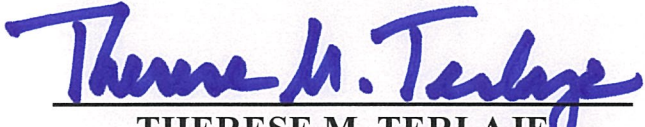
13 **WHEREAS**, David also serves the Guam community as a member of various
14 non-profit organizations, to include the Knights of Columbus, the Guam Nikkei
15 Association, the George Washington High School Class of 1977 Reunion, and the Saint
16 Francis Catholic School Parent Alumni Organization; and he assisted the Guam Girl
17 Scouts Association with their strategic planning and fundraising events in 2006-2009
18 as a University representative; and

19 **WHEREAS**, during his tenure at UOG, David has worked in many different
20 positions simultaneously within the University filling multiple critical roles where
21 needed and completing important tasks, and he has served as an effective administrator
22 working with and guiding people to get things done, and has facilitated many efforts
23 behind-the-scenes to improve the success of many events, activities, and projects, which
24 earned him the “2021 Triton of the Year” award; now therefore, be it

1 **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina'trentai Siette Na*
2 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the people
3 of Guam, recognize David S. Okada for his commitment to the island of Guam, its
4 community, and the Pacific region; and commend him for his services as the Chief
5 Planning Officer and Interim Chief of Staff and Board Liaison with the University of
6 Guam; and be it further

7 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules
8 certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of
9 the same be thereafter transmitted to David S. Okada; and to the Honorable Lourdes A.
10 Leon Guerrero, *I Maga'hågan Guåhan*.

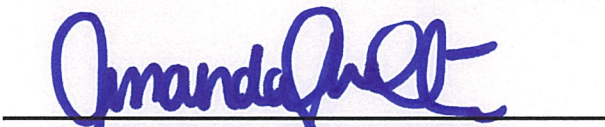
**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF
I MINA'TRENTAI SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE 27TH DAY
OF SEPTEMBER 2023.**



THERESE M. TERLAJE
Speaker



CHRIS BARNETT
Chairperson, Committee on Rules



AMANDA L. SHELTON
Legislative Secretary



COMMITTEE ON RULES

Chris Barnett, Chairperson, Committee on Rules

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COMMITTEE VOTE SHEET

Resolution No. 202-37 (COR) – Amanda L. Shelton, Roy A. B. Quinata. – “Relative to recognizing David S. Okada for his commitment to the island of Guam, its community, and the Pacific region; and commending him for his services as the Chief Planning Officer and Interim Chief of Staff and Board Liaison with the University of Guam.”

	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	<i>AShelton</i>	9/27/23	✓		
Senator William A. Parkinson Member	E-Vote	9/27/23	✓		
Senator Roy A. B. Quinata Member	E-Vote	9/27/23	✓		
Senator Joe S. San Agustin Member	E-Vote	9/27/23	✓		
Senator Dwayne T. D. San Nicolas Member	E-Vote	9/27/23	✓		
Senator Joanne Brown Minority Member					
Senator Christopher M. Dueñas Minority Member	E-Vote	9/27/23	✓		
Senator Thomas J. Fisher Minority Member	E-Vote	9/27/23	✓		
Senator Telo T. Taitague Minority Member	E-Vote	9/27/23	✓		
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Sponsor Signature: <i>AShelton</i>					
Staff Contact Person: Jay Milan					
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___ 8 ___ Certified _____ Returned					
Name: Joaquin 'Quin' P. Taitague					
Date: September 27, 2023 at 3:12 p.m.					
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Office of Senator

AMANDA L. SHELTON

Legislative Secretary & Chairwoman

Committee on Maritime and Air Transportation, Parks, Tourism, Higher Education, and the Advancement of Women, Youth and Senior Citizens

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September 27, 2023

MEMORANDUM

To: All Senators

37th Guam Legislature

From: Senator Amanda L. Shelton *Ashelton*

Re: Presentation Notice for Resolution No. 202-37 (COR)

Buenas yan Håfa Adai!

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The presentation will be on Friday, September 29, 2023, 11:30 AM, at the Onward Mangilao Golf Club.

We look forward to your attendance and participation.

