

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
298-37 (COR)	Tina Rose Muña Barnes	Relative to recognizing Mr. In Kook Kim, Head of the Consulate of the Republic of Korea in <i>Hagåtña</i> for strengthening relations within our island community; and commending him for his service to the Korean Community and the people of Guam.	1/17/24 2:48 p.m.	2/6/24 2:00 p.m.	2/1/24 10:07 p.m.					

Resolution No. 298-37 (COR)

Introduced by

Chris Barnett	Adrian Flores Perez
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Relative to recognizing Mr. In Kook Kim, Head of the Consulate of the Republic of Korea in Hagåtña for strengthening relations within our island community; and commending him for his service to the Korean Community and the people of Guam.

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

WHEREAS, Mr. In Kook Kim was born in 1961 and pursued higher education, earning a Bachelor of Arts degree in English Education from Kangwon National University, followed by language training at Pennsylvania State University, and a Master's degree in International Relations from Korea University, Seoul; and

WHEREAS, Mr. In Kook Kim joined the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in 1992 and served in various capacities, highlighting his commitment and expertise in diplomacy; and

WHEREAS, his assignments included roles in the South America Division, Policy Planning Division, Diplomatic Missions Division, Foreign Language Training Department, Human Resources Department, and Inter Korean Policy Division at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs headquarters; and

WHEREAS, Mr. In Kook Kim served in diplomatic missions in Senegal, Belgium (European Union), Cambodia, Japan (Kobe), India (Chennai), and Pakistan, highlighting his adaptability and diplomatic skills in diverse cultural settings; and

WHEREAS, Mr. In Kook Kim served as the Head of the Pteronack SOFA Support Center from February 20, 2019 to February 16, 2021; and

WHEREAS, Mr. In Kook Kim was appointed to serve as the Head of the Consulate of the Republic of Korea in Hagåtña, Guam on February 17, 2021; and

WHEREAS, under Mr. In Kook Kim's leadership, the economic ties between Guam and the Republic of Korea were strengthened, as Mr. In Kook Kim engaged in vigorous interactions with Guam stakeholders to improve Guam's tourism industry, in addition to fostering further economic collaboration; and

WHEREAS, Guam's tourism numbers were bolstered by South Korean visitors after the COVID-19 pandemic, and South Korean tourists remain the largest source of tourists for Guam and has helped the tourism industry quickly recover after the downturn in tourist arrivals. Moreover, the island continues to see investments and opportunities spurred by Korean-based companies in real estate, energy, and the tourism industry; and

WHEREAS, Mr. In Kook Kim's work was a key pipeline during the recovery of Typhoon Mawar, as the consulate provided aid to more than three thousand four hundred (3,400) tourists from South Korea who were stranded in Guam. His decisive action in partnership with the Guam Visitors Bureau, the A B Won Pat International Airport Authority, and South Korea based airlines, as well as the local Korean community in Guam, were instrumental towards a quick recovery for Guam's tourism industry, and Mr. Kim received certificates of appreciation from the Guam Visitors Bureau for his work; and

WHEREAS, Mr. In Kook Kim became a source of comfort for the family of the victims of a tragic crime that took the life of a South Korean citizen in January 2024; and Mr. In Kook Kim worked tirelessly with the local law enforcement to ensure justice for the victims; and

WHEREAS, Mr. In Kook Kim upheld a steadfast commitment towards the safety, security, prosperity, and defense of the region. On several occasions during his term, Mr. Kim welcomed cadets of the Republic of Korea Navy Fleet training in Guam; and he has led dignitaries with a tour of the ROK Navy Warships like Marado, Dokdo, and others; and

WHEREAS, Mr. In Kook Kim further memorialized the Republic of Korea's strategic partnership with the United States by hosting an event to celebrate the Seventieth (70th) Year Anniversary of the signing of the Mutual Defense Treaty in November 2023, and he was joined in the celebration with dignitaries from the United States Navy, the United States Air Force, and officials from the Government of Guam; and

WHEREAS, Mr. In Kook Kim shared the Korean culture with the people of Guam. The Consulate hosted movie nights highlighting Korean culture, such as "Munsi" and "How to Steal a Dog," additionally, the Korean Consulate partnered with Taekwondo organizations on Guam in holding Taekwondo tournaments; and he helped to establish the First (1st) Korean Consul's Cup in 2022; and

WHEREAS, Mr. In Kook Kim immersed himself in the Chamorro culture and Guam's natural beauty, and he had provided outreaches for a number of sites in Guam including Lam Lam Mountains, Pat Pat Beach, that enabled him to appreciate the stunning beauty of Two Lovers Point looking up from the bottom direction, Mushroom Rock at Hilar Beach, Fort Soledad, and Inalahan Natural Pool, among others. His love for Guam led him to do clean-up activities once every month on the Hagåtña Beach with members of the Korean Community for one year and a half and on Tanguisson Beach with his wife for one year. The favorite expression of Mr. In Kook Kim that he often used for his love of Guam was "*Guam is my sister*"; and

WHEREAS, Mr. In Kook Kim remained involved with the local Korean community in Guam, supporting efforts led by the Korean Association of Guam, the Korean Women's Association in Guam, the Guam Korean Chamber of Commerce, the Korean Sports Council in Guam, and the Korean Shelter Inc., among many others; and

WHEREAS, Mr. In Kook Kim took the time to recognize the Korean War veterans in Guam, hosting luncheons and donating four thousand (4,000) K94 medical facemasks, on behalf of the Korean Government, to the Korean War Veterans Association; and Mr. Kim received a heartfelt letter of appreciation from the Korean War Veterans Association of Guam for his work; and

WHEREAS, Mr. In Kook Kim had also served in the military as a KATUSA (Korean Augmentation Team to the United States Army), further exemplifying his commitment to the defense and security of the Republic of Korea; and

WHEREAS, Mr. In Kook Kim has received various accolades, including the Korean Order of Service Merit (Green Stripes), recognizing his outstanding contributions to the nation; and

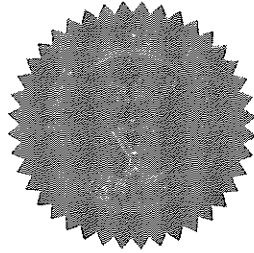
WHEREAS, Mr. In Kook Kim is a loving husband and father, maintaining a balance between his professional commitments and family life, and he has dedicated his career to public service and diplomacy, contributing significantly to the Republic of Korea's international relations; now therefore, be it

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF I MINA'TRENTAI SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE 1ST DAY OF FEBRUARY 2024.


 THERESE M. TERLAJE
 Speaker


 CHRIS BARNETT
 Chairperson, Committee on Rules


 AMANDA L. SHELTON
 Legislative Secretary



Alan Capuchew 2/15/24 @ 11:30am

I MINA'TRENTAI SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
2024 (SECOND) Regular Session

Resolution No. 298-37 (COR)

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9 often used for his love of Guam was “*Guam is my oyster;*” and

10 **WHEREAS**, Mr. In Kook Kim remained involved with the local Korean
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26 balance between his professional commitments and family life; and he has dedicated

1 his career to public service and diplomacy, contributing significantly to the Republic of
2 Korea's international relations; now therefore, be it

3 **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina'trentai Siette Na*
4 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the people
5 of Guam, recognize Mr. In Kook Kim, Head of the Consulate of the Republic of Korea
6 in *Hagåtña* for strengthening relations within our island community; and commend him
7 for his service to the Korean Community and the people of Guam; and be it further

8 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules
9 certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of
10 the same be thereafter transmitted to the Honorable In Kook Kim, Head of the Consulate
11 of the Republic of Korea in *Hagåtña*; and to the Honorable Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero,
12 *I Maga'hågan Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF
I MINA'TRENTAI SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE 1ST DAY
OF FEBRUARY 2024.**



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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37th Guam Legislature

COMMITTEE VOTE SHEET

Resolution No. 298-37 (COR) - Tina Rose Muña Barnes. - "Relative to recognizing Mr. In Kook Kim, Head of the Consulate of the Republic of Korea in *Hagåtña* for strengthening relations within our island community; and commending him for his service to the Korean Community and the people 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	e-vote	1/31/24	✓		
Vice Speaker Tina Rose Muña Barnes Member		1/31/24	✓		
Legislative Secretary Amanda L. Shelton Member	e-vote	1/31/24	✓		
Senator William A. Parkinson Member					
Senator Roy A. B. Quinata Member	e-vote	1/31/24	✓		
Senator Joe S. San Agustin Member	e-vote	1/31/24	✓		
Senator Dwayne T. D. San Nicolas Member	e-vote	1/31/24	✓		
Senator Joanne Brown Minority Member					
Senator Christopher M. Dueñas Minority Member	e-vote	1/31/24	✓		
Senator Thomas J. Fisher Minority Member					
Senator Telo T. Taitague Minority Member	e-vote	1/31/24	✓		
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Sponsor Signature: 					
Staff Contact Person: Alan Cepeda					
For COR/Clerk's Office Use Only					
<u>8</u> Certified _____ Returned _____					
Name: Joven Aguon					
Date: February 1, 2024 at 10:07 a.m.					
Notes:					

From: Vice Speaker Tina Rose Muña Barnes <senatormunabarnes@guamlegislature.org>
Sent: Thursday, February 1, 2024 11:37 AM
To: Speaker Therese M. Terlaje; Office of Senator Amanda L. Shelton; Senator Darrel Christopher Barnett; Senator Joe S. San Agustin; Senator Sabina Flores Perez; Senator Roy Quinata; Senator Dwayne San Nicolas; Senator Will Parkinson; Frank F. Blas Jr.; Senator Telo T. Taitague; Honorable Joanne M. Brown; Senator Christopher M. Dueñas; Senator Thomas Fisher; Senator Jesse Lujan
Cc: Ed Pocaigue; Clerks
Subject: Presentation of Resolution No. 298-37 (COR)

February 1, 2024

MEMORANDUM

To: All Senators

37th Guam Legislature

From: Vice Speaker Tina Rose Muña Barnes

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Buenas yan Håfa Adai!

Please join me for the presentation of **Resolution No. 298-37 (COR) – Tina Rose Muña Barnes**. – “Relative to recognizing Mr. In Kook Kim, Head of the Consulate of the Republic of Korea in *Hagåtña* for strengthening relations within our island community; and commending him for his service to the Korean Community and the people of Guam.”

The presentation will take place on **Tuesday, February 6, 2024 at 2 p.m. in the Public Hearing Room at the Guam Legislature.**

Si Yu'os Ma'åse'!