


I MINA'TRENTAI SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
RESOLUTIONS

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

3 **WHEREAS,** †Jesse Finona Balajadia, also known as
4 “Jess/Pops/Chumbai/Nunu”, *Familian Piyu* from the village of *Yoña* passed away on
5 February 1, 2024, at the age of 50. Jesse was the son of †Vicente Pangelinan Balajadia
6 and †Manuela Finona Balajadia; husband of Angela Marie Camacho Balajadia and his
7 children are Andrew, Jessilyn, Jasmine; and

8 **WHEREAS,** †Jesse coaching career began in 1997 for the Sinajana Giants
9 Baseball Organization and coached for the Majors, Juniors, Seniors Divisions; the
10 Sinajana Giants Baseball Organization for nine (9) years; and

11 **WHEREAS,** †Jesse played for the Yona Master Baseball Team, the Agana
12 Heights 76 Cougars Masters Team, the Yona RedHawks Masters Team, the Sindalu
13 Guahan 50's Masters Softball Team and also played in Las Vegas, Nevada; and

14 **WHEREAS,** In 2005, †Jesse coached the Team Guam Baseball All-Stars, Senior
15 Division in Jakarta, Indonesia; and

1 **WHEREAS,** †Jesse was the Central Division Baseball All-Stars in the village of
2 Barrigada in 2006; Head Coach for the Girls Fastpitch Softball All-Star Team for the
3 Majors Division competing at Pasig City, Philippines in 2007; and Head Coach for the
4 Baseball Juniors Division competing Guangzhou, China in 2006; and

5 **WHEREAS,** †Jesse’s baseball career led him to be the Head Coach of the Juniors
6 Division in the village of Tamuning and in 2010, he became the Manager of the Majors
7 Division and led his team to compete in Jakarta, Indonesia; he continued being a
8 Manager for the Juniors Division in 2011 and brought the Guam team to compete in
9 Bacolod, Philippines; and

10 **WHEREAS,** †Jesse moved up to the Big League Division as a manager in 2013
11 and led Guam to compete in Clark Pampanga, Philippines and was the Asia Pacific
12 Region World Series Senior League Softball Team Manager in 2015 and led the team
13 to compete in Roxana, Delaware; and

14 **WHEREAS,** †Jesse coached the Southern Highs School (SHS) Dolphins
15 Softball team for twelve (12) years; led the Southern High Dolphins to win the
16 Championship 4 times in a row. †Jesse’s coaching skills reflected well leading the
17 Southern High Dolphins to win the Championship games in 2016 and 2020 and he
18 coached the Southern Highschool Dolphins in the APL Fastpitch Softball League in
19 2018 and 2019, leading them to become back-to-back Champions for the league; and

20 **WHEREAS,** †Jesse was the founder, Coach and Manager the MTM Lady
21 Falcons Fastpitch Softball Team, Yona Lady Hawks Fastpitch Softball Organization,
22 and the Yona Lady Dodgers Fastpitch Softball Organization for nine (9) years; and

23 **WHEREAS,** †Jesse founded the Smokin’ Hot Softball Team in 2017 to 2024;
24 played in the 2020 Pure Play International Slow-pitch Tournament Coed A Division
25 Champions in Clark Pampanga, Philippines; and in 2023, he was the Coach for the Asia
26 Cup Championships Women’s Division that took place in Bangkok, Thailand and won
27 the Championship title, being recognized by the 37th Guam Legislature for their

1 accomplishment and representing Guam on a National level and were presented
2 certificates on November 30, 2023, at the Guam Congress Building; and

3 **WHEREAS,** †Jesse’s love for baseball and his family showed in his coaching,
4 dedication, time and sacrifice and he shared his love for baseball with his children, and
5 coached while they played for youth baseball; now therefore, be it

6 **RESOLVED,** that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina'trentai Siette Na*
7 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, recognize †Jesse
8 Finona Balajadia for unwavering dedication and time as a Head Coach for 27 years and
9 his impact towards the baseball community and extend our sincere condolences to his
10 family on his passing on behalf of the people of Guam; and be it further

11 **RESOLVED,** that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules
12 certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of
13 the same be thereafter transmitted to the family of †Jesse Finona Balajadia; and to the
14 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 DAY
OF FEBRUARY 2024.**

THERESE M. TERLAJE
Speaker

CHRIS BARNETT
Chairperson, Committee on Rules

AMANDA L. SHELTON
Legislative Secretary