


I MINA'TRENTAI KUÁTTRO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN
RESOLUTION STATUS

Resolution No.	Sponsor	Title	Date Intro	Date of Presentation	Date Adopted	Date Referred	Referred to	PUBLIC HEARING DATE	DATE COMMITTEE REPORT FILED	NOTES
272-34 (COR)	Joe S. San Agustin	Relative to commending and congratulating Mr. David " Dave" Tedtaotao Gofigan on the occasion of his retirement for devoting twenty-nine (29) years of service to the Guam Department of Education; and to further extending a warm and sincere Un Dángkolo Na Si Yu'os Ma'áse' to him for his exceptional years of service to the children of Guam.	10/18/17 9:51 a.m.	10/27/17 1:00 p.m.						

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Introduced by:

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

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4 **WHEREAS,** Mr. David “Dave” Tedtaotao Gofigan is a son of Guam who
5 helms from the beautiful southern end of our island paradise; and

6 **WHEREAS,** he is a 1982 graduate of George Washington High School, and
7 has successfully earned a Bachelor of Elementary Education degree from the
8 University of Guam in 1987. He also holds a Master’s Degree in Education which he
9 earned from the University of Guam in 2009; **and**

10 **WHEREAS,** his career at the Guam Department of Education began in 1987
11 where he became an integral part in shaping the lives of our island’s youth in Middle
12 School. His patience and willingness to gain the trust and respect from his students
13 has garnered him great respect from his colleagues as Middle School is often known

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1 amongst education professionals as one of the most challenging grades to teach in;
2 **and**

3 **WHEREAS**, Mr. Gofigan is one of our island’s most dedicated holders
4 of Guam’s culture, language, and traditions. He has dedicated himself to
5 preserving Guam’s history as he has taken part in numerous events and
6 programs that has bolstered the importance of remembering our past and
7 preserving all that is Guam. He has been successful in coordinating the
8 renowned event in southern Guam which reenacts the arrival of Ferdinand
9 Magellan on Guam. Mr. Gofigan has been an active member of the
10 reenactment ceremony for many years. He truly understands that the arrival
11 of Magellan on Guam became a turning point in history for the Chamorro
12 people ; **and**

13 **WHEREAS**, his passion for Guam’s culture, language, and traditions
14 can be further attested as he has been an active member of several
15 organizations on Guam that preserves its ties to our past. His involvement in
16 the Ginen i Hila' i Maga'taotao Siha Association’s community events such as
17 Christmas caroling at the Guam Memorial Hospital further makes him a
18 community leader amongst the people of Guam ; **and**

19 **WHEREAS**, Mr. Gofigan is also a talented musician in our island
20 community and has helped local musicians, storytellers and dance groups
21 with creating Chamorro music and chants. He is also the writer and composer
22 of the Inarajan Middle School, “Warrior Song”; **and**

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1 **WHEREAS**, as an educator, he has devoted himself to ensuring that his
2 students are successful in the classroom, because he believes that every
3 student deserves quality education. His dedication to the Guam Public School
4 System and our island community is truly admirable and he will always be
5 idolized for his commitment to the people of Guam; **and; now, therefore, be it**

6 **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina'Trentai Kuáttro Na*
7 *LiheSlaturan Guáhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I LiheSlaturan Guáhan* and the people
8 of Guam, commend and congratulate Mr. David “ Dave” Tedtaotao Gofigan on the
9 occasion of his retirement for devoting twenty-nine (29) years of service to the Guam
10 Department of Education; and to further extending a warm and sincere *Un Dángkolo*
11 *Na Si Yu'os Ma'áse'* to him for his exceptional years of service to the children of
12 Guam ; **and be it further;**

13 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules
14 certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of
15 the same be thereafter transmitted to Mr. David “Dave” Tedtaotao Gofigan therefore,
16 be it; and to the Honorable Edward J.B. Calvo, *I Maga'lahen Guáhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF
I MINA'TRENTAI KUÁTTRO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN ON THE XXX
DAY OF XXX 2017.**

BENJAMIN J.F. CRUZ
Speaker

REGINE BISCOE LEE
Legislative Secretary