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

3 **WHEREAS,** Romeo B. Tabano celebrates his lifetime achievements with his
4 wife, Mercy Ebiado, and their five (5) children Remer, Ronado, Roden, Rodith, and
5 Roselle; as well as their four (4) wonderful grandchildren; and

6 **WHEREAS,** Romeo began his martial arts career at the young age of two (12),
7 he was a frequent victim of bullying. Every time he would go home with a black eye
8 and bloody nose, his family insisted he fight back and defend himself. That is what
9 motivated him to start taking Arnis, the art of stick fighting, under the informal
10 instruction of his grandfather whom was a prominent Arnis Master; and

11 **WHEREAS,** Romeo has a brown belt in Shotokan Karate and a Black belt from
12 World Aikido Humbo. In 1967, he taught Aikido as a Physical Education course and
13 Police Defensive Tactics at the University of Guam, as well as, Arnis and Aikido at
14 Moral Welfare and Recreation in Naval Station, Guam; and

15 **WHEREAS,** in 1976, he established Martial Arts Training Center of the
16 Philippines, Inc. (MATCOP), he had instructors of Martial Arts in Karate, Judo, Jujitsu,

1 **WHEREAS**, in 1976, he established Martial Arts Training Center of the
2 Philippines, Inc. (MATCOP), he had instructors of Martial Arts in Karate, Judo, Jujitsu,
3 Tae Kwon Do, Boxing, and Oriental weaponries using Arnis (stick fighting), Sai, Tonfa,
4 and Nun-chuckku; and

5 **WHEREAS**, when he established this center, he imparted the true essence of
6 martial arts in the students. The students developed excellent and well-rounded physical
7 training, speed, and agility; they developed mental and spiritual discipline; physical and
8 mental coordination; genuine self-confidence, self-reliance, and moral character; a clam
9 attitude and coolness of temper; and

10 **WHEREAS**, Romeo was also employed with Black Construction and Leo Palace
11 Resort for many years; and

12 **WHEREAS**, in 1979, he received his Bachelors degree in Political Science from
13 Ortanez University, Philippines; and

14 **WHEREAS**, his expertise in Martial Arts will continue to inspire and instill the
15 knowledge, confidence, self control, and discipline true to the art; now therefore, be it

16 **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina'Trentai Kuåttro Na*
17 *LiheSlaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I LiheSlaturan Guåhan* and the people
18 of Guam, recognize and commend Sensei Romeo B. Tabano for his hard work and
19 lifetime dedication to the art of Arnis and Martial Arts; and to further extending *Un*
20 *Dångkolo Na Si Yu'os Ma'åse'* to him for being a tremendous inspiration and mentor;
21 and be it further

22 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules
23 certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of
24 the same be thereafter transmitted to Romeo B. Tabano; and to the Honorable Edward
25 J.B. Calvo, *I Maga'lahaen Guåhan*.

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

BENJAMIN J.F. CRUZ
Speaker

RÈGINE BISCOE LEE
Chairperson, Committee on Rules

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Legislative Secretary