

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
344-34 (COR)	Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr. Joe S. San Agustin B. J. F. Cruz	Relative to recognizing, commending, and acknowledging the life, accomplishments, and legacy of the late Ronald Franquez Teehan, who was a passionate Chamorro activist, a strong environmental advocate, a relentless fighter for land rights, and a man who was devoted to his family, his friends, his pets, and Guam; and to further extending the sincere condolences of the people of Guam and <i>I Liheslaturan Guåhan</i> to the Teehan family upon his passing.	2/8/18 1:47 p.m.	2/9/18 11:45 a.m.	2/9/18 10:08 a.m.					Request to waive Standing Rules for Introduction approved by COR 2/8/18

Resolution No. 344-34 (COR)

Introduced by:
Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr.
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BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF *I MINA TRENTAJ KUATTRO NA LIHESLATURAN GUAHAN*:

WHEREAS, Ronald Franquez Teehan, fondly known as "Ron" or "Ronnie," was born on May 26, 1954, and resided in the southern village of *Tafafaf*; and

WHEREAS, Ron was married to Maria Constantino Teehan for forty-one (41) years, after being wed on July 18, 1977; and they are the parents of daughter Pia Noelle Teehan, and son-in-law Matthew Martin; and are also blessed with two (2) grandchildren, Maximus Tano and Eloise Tasi; and Ron is also survived by his mother, Rita Torres Franquez; and sisters, Renee Teehan Bray and Reina Michelle; and predeceased by his father, Ronald E. Teehan, Sr.; and

WHEREAS, Ron was a staunch advocate for *Chamorro* people's rights. He began his advocacy supporting all the *Chamorros* who refused to settle in the Land Claims settlement that was handled by Attorney John Bohn. He campaigned to get people to understand that FMV (fair market value) must be the bottom line for payment. He was President of the Guam Landowners Association, and appeared before the United Nations (UN) on several occasions to plead the case of the stolen lands of the native inhabitants of Guam before 1950; and

WHEREAS, never wanting to miss a momentous occasion in the advancement of *Chamorro* Self-Determination, Ron, as the Secretary of the Organization of People for Indigenous Rights (OPIR), participated in OPIR's first official appearance at the UN on August 5, 1982, along with Political Action Chairperson Robert Underwood, and Vice Chairperson Chris Perez Howard; and

WHEREAS, Ron's focused participation at the UN Seminar that produced the first UN Resolution on the Question on Guam with the word "*Chamorro*" appearing in nine (9) different "WHEREAS" sections of the final UN resolution was a game-changer for the Committee on Decolonization -- from then on, "the self-determination of the Chamorro people" became a common inclusion in pertinent sections of annual UN resolutions; and

WHEREAS, Ron was also a founding member of PARA, an organization that was founded to challenge the Pacific Daily News (PDN) English-only policy. He helped to organize the march against PDN in 1977, where more than seven hundred (700) *mememka* and young people participated, sang songs in *Chamorro*, prayed in *Chamorro*, and conducted mass cancellations of newspaper subscriptions in front of the PDN *Hagatna* office. His actions and those of the other organizers helped produce the *Juan Makmanga* cartoon series and the PDN column in *Chamorro* that continues today. PARA stood for People's Alliance for Responsive Alternatives; and is a play on the *Chamorro* word, *PARA* "to stop" and *PADA* "for"; and

WHEREAS, in 1979, Ron was instrumental in organizing a successful island-wide campaign with his organization, *PARA-PADA*, against the Guam Constitution Vote on August 4, 1979; and

WHEREAS, Ron found a home and passion for Guam politics having worked for Senators Don Parkinson, Tom Ada, Frank Aguon, Jr., and most recently, Dennis Rodriguez, Jr.; and

WHEREAS, Ron loved animals, most especially his pets, Tasi and Quiroga; and

WHEREAS, as an experienced boat captain, Ron loved being in the ocean; and, he also loved surfing, diving, hiking, fishing, and trolling; and

WHEREAS, Ron was a world traveler who enjoyed meeting new people, learning about new cultures, and engaging in unique experiences; and

WHEREAS, when he wasn't fighting for land issues, attending meetings or advocating for indigenous rights, Ron could be found reading about Guam history or attending and participating in political debates; now therefore, be it

RESOLVED; that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina Trentaj Kuattro Na Liheslaturan Guahan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guahan* and the people of Guam, recognize, commend, and acknowledge the life, accomplishments, and legacy of the late Ronald Franquez Teehan, who was a passionate *Chamorro* activist, a strong environmental advocate, a relentless fighter for land rights, and a man who was devoted to his family, his friends, his pets, and Guam; and does further extend the sincere condolences of the people of Guam and *I Liheslaturan Guahan* to the Teehan family upon his passing; and be it further

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 the family of the late Ronald Franquez Teehan; and to the Honorable Edward J.B. Calvo, *I Mago'liben Guahan*.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF *I MINA TRENTAJ KUATTRO NA LIHESLATURAN GUAHAN* ON THE 9TH DAY OF FEBRUARY 2018.

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Teehan

BENJAMIN J.F. CRUZ
Speaker

REGINE BISCOE LEE
Chairperson, Committee on Rules

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Legislative Secretary



Clerks

From: Natasha Cepeda <natasha@toduguam.com>
Sent: Thursday, February 8, 2018 2:32 PM
To: phmaterials@guamlegislature.org
Cc: Guam Legislature Clerks Office; Protocol Guam Legislature; Management Information System
Subject: Presentation of Resolution No. 344-34 (COR)

February 8, 2018

To: All Senators

From: Sen. Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr.

Subject: Presentation of Resolution No. 344-34 (COR)

Hafa Adai!

Please join me in presenting Legislative **Resolution No. 344-34 (COR)** "Relative to commending and acknowledging the life and legacy of the late Ronald Franquez Teehan, a passionate Chamorro Activist, strong environmental advocate, a relentless fighter for land rights, a man devoted to his family, friends, pets and Guam; and to further extending sincere condolences of the people of Guam and *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* to the members of the Teehan family upon his passing.

Presentation will take place at **11:30 am, Friday, February 9, 2018** at the Guam Memorial Funeral Home in Leyang-Barrigada.

Si Yu'os Ma'ase

Natasha Cepeda

Office of Senator Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr.
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From: Committee on Rules 34GL <corguamlegislature@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, February 8, 2018 1:59 PM
To: Joe Mesngon
Cc: Clerks
Subject: Re: URGENT- INTRO OF RESO & REQUEST FOR WAIVER

Hafa adai and good afternoon Joe! Request for waiver and expedite of Resolution for Mr. Teehan is hereby approved. Clerk, please process accordingly. Thank you!

Respectfully,

Office of Senator Régine Biscoe Lee

Committee on Rules

I Mina'Trentai Kuattro na Liheslaturan Guåhan

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On Thu, Feb 8, 2018 at 1:30 PM, Joe Mesngon <joe@toduguam.com> wrote:

Hafa Adai COR and Clerks!

Sen. Rodriguez request your assistance and approval for a waiver of the Standing Rules relative to the introduction of this Resolution.

This resolution, will be introduced to recognize our friend and colleague Ron Teehan. The family has only provided us with the information this afternoon.

We appreciate your assistance in this request and apologize for such a short notice and request.

The presentation will take place tomorrow, Friday, February 9, 2018 at 11:45am at the Guam Memorial Funeral Home Chapel.

Please provide us with 4 copies.

Thanks again for your help.

si Joe

Joseph A. Q. Mesngon

Deputy Chief of Staff

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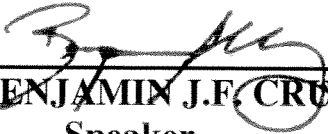
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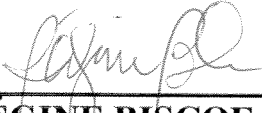
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OF *I MINA'TRENTAI KUÅTTRO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* ON THE
9TH DAY OF FEBRUARY 2018.**



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Speaker



RÉGINE BISCOE LEE
Chairperson, Committee on Rules



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COMMITTEE VOTING SHEET

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	SIGNATURE	DATE	TO ADOPT	TO NOT ADOPT	TO ABSTAIN
Legislative Secretary Régine Biscoe Lee Chairperson	EVOTE	2/8/18	✓		
Senator Thomas C. Ada Vice Chairperson					
Speaker Benjamin J. F. Cruz Member	EVOTE	2/8/18	✓		
Vice-Speaker Therese M. Terlaje Member	EVOTE	2/8/18	✓		
Senator Frank B. Aguon, Jr. Member	EVOTE	2/8/18	✓		
Senator Telenia Cruz Nelson Member	EVOTE	2/8/18	✓		
Senator Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr. Member	<i>EVOTE</i>	2/8/18	✓		
Senator Joe S. San Agustin Member	EVOTE	2/9/18	✓		
Senator Michael F.Q. San Nicolas Member					
Senator James V. Espaldon Minority Leader					
Senator Mary Camacho Torres Minority Member					

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Sponsor Signature: _____

Staff Contact Person: TASHA

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Name: CARL SANCHEZ

Date: _____

Notes: _____



PLEASE VOTE ASAP on Resolution No. 344-34 (COR)

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Natasha Cepeda

6:33 PM (14 hours ago)

Hafa Adai, COR Members: Attached, please find the final version of Resolution...

Régine Biscoe Lee

6:37 PM (13 hours ago)

to me, Ann, Benjamin, Dennis, Frank, Joan, Joe, Mary, Senator, Thomas, senatorjoessan., senatortnelson, senatc

To adopt.
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Telena Cruz Nelson <senatortnelson@guamlegislature.org>

6:50 PM (13 hours ago)

to me, Senator, Senator, Benjamin, senatorterlaje., senatorbiscoel., Thomas, Frank, Dennis, senatorjoessan., senjv

to Adopt



Frank Aguon, Jr.

6:56 PM (13 hours ago)

to me

To adopt



BJ Cruz

8:11 PM (12 hours ago)

to me

To adopt. Bjcruz

Sent from my iPhone



Senator Therese Terlaje

10:59 PM (9 hours ago)

to me

To adopt.

Thank you.
TMT

Sent from my iPhone



Joe S. San Agustin

8:26 AM (10 minutes ago)

to Senator, me, Michael, Senator, Benjamin, senatorterlaje., senatorbiscoel., Thomas, Frank, Dennis, senjvespaldo

To adopt