

***I MINA'TRENTAI KUÅTTRO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN***  
**RESOLUTION STATUS**

Resolution No.	Sponsor	Title	Date Intro	Date of Presentation	Date Adopted
363-34 (LS)	Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr. Joe S. San Agustin	Relative to recognizing and congratulating Roselie Zabala on being awarded the Lifetime Achievement Award by the National Association Of Social Workers- Guam Chapter, and to further extending an <i>Un Dangkolo Na Si Yu'os Ma'åse'</i> for her contributions to our island landscape as an advocate in the work she does for our island's most vulnerable and all the people of Guam.	3/13/18 9:40 a.m.	3/17/18 6:00 p.m.	

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**2018 (SECOND) Regular Session**

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Introduced by:

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

3 **WHEREAS**, for over 25 years, Roselie has been a vested community  
4 member who chose to make Guam home and intends to remain for life because of  
5 the opportunities to create healthier communities through the Department of Public  
6 Health & Social Services (DPHSS). She is a staunch Social Work advocate  
7 volunteering selflessly to provide professional counseling services to families and  
8 individuals. She has a consistent lifetime Public Health commitment serving  
9 Guam, especially the under-served and under-represented communities and  
10 strongly believes in community-based organization partnerships; and

1           **WHEREAS**, Roselie steadfastly advances and researches initiatives  
2 benefiting community health that may be unpopular or misunderstood. She  
3 supported policies that were met with resistance such as the *Tobacco 21 Bill* that  
4 raised the legal smoking age to 21 years and breastfeeding rights advocacy through  
5 the *Nana Yan Patgon Act*. She risked resistance by opponents; however, these  
6 policies have now become proven health cornerstones; and

7           **WHEREAS**, despite a life-threatening disease, Roselie inspires by example  
8 and maintains contact with DPHSS staff while temporarily being away from Guam  
9 for necessary lifesaving treatment. This exceptionally difficult achievement is  
10 accomplished through her fervent resolve to overcome adversity; and

11           **WHEREAS**, since 1998, she made the annual *Hemophilia Camp Hafa Adai*  
12 happen for families with bleeding disorders such as hemophilia and Von  
13 Willebrand Disease (VWD) which are largely unknown on Guam. Medical  
14 services are severely limited. Zabala works beyond expectations by providing an  
15 educational and empowering annual camp for families with bleeding disorders; and

16           **WHEREAS**, in 2002, Zabala established the DPHSS Bureau of Community  
17 Health Services (BCHS) and now manages cancer, diabetes, tobacco prevention,  
18 sexual violence prevention, cultural competency, surveillance and Medical Social  
19 Services (MSS) programs. BCHS is globally recognized for excellence under her  
20 leadership. In 2010, she brought prominence to the Guam Non-Communicable  
21 Disease (NCD) Consortium; and

22           **WHEREAS**, in 2017, the Consortium gained respect from global health  
23 organizations because of her vision of researching and addressing chronic diseases  
24 above and beyond existing benchmarks. She extracts community talents and skills  
25 to sustain the Consortium; and

1           **WHEREAS**, her lifetime achievements continually benefit Guam’s under-  
2 served and under-represented communities, including marginalized and forgotten  
3 populations. Zabala’s applied Social Work practice also benefits those  
4 experiencing widening racial and ethnic health disparities on Guam; and

5           **WHEREAS**, Zabala unifies teamwork, leadership and uncompromising  
6 ethics that create healthy communities. She espouses balanced living, cultural  
7 appreciation, quality workplace performance, individual health maintenance and  
8 the absolute importance of strengthening family and community; and

9           **WHEREAS**, Zabala’s lifetime Social Work achievements are well above  
10 and beyond reasonable expectations from even the extraordinary among us. She  
11 exemplifies the very best of all that is good and right with Guam and is truly  
12 deserving of this award; now therefore be it

13           **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina'Trentai Kuåttro Na*  
14 *Lihe slaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Lihe slaturan Guåhan* and the  
15 people of Guam, recognize and congratulate Roselie Zabala on being awarded the  
16 Lifetime Achievement Award of the National Association of Social Workers-  
17 Guam Chapter; and be it further

18           **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on  
19 Rules certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that  
20 copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Roselie Zabala and to the Honorable  
21 Edward J.B. Calvo, *I Maga'laha n Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES  
OF *I MINA'TRENTAI KUÁTTRO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN* ON THE  
\_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_ 2018.**

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**Benjamin J.F. Cruz**  
**Speaker**

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**Regine Biscoe Lee**  
**Chairperson, Committee on Rules**

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**Régine Biscoe Lee**  
**Legislative Secretary**