

I MINA'TRENTAI KUÂTTRO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÂHAN
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 |
|----------------|--|--|-----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|---------------|-------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|-------|
| 425-34 (COR) | Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr. Joe S. San Agustin | Relative to recognizing and congratulating Mrs. Josefina Dorotea Yamanaka Blas on celebrating one hundred three (103) years of life in 2018; and to further honoring her as a Centenarian of the 2018 "Senior Citizens Month" celebration. | 5/17/18 11:01 a.m. | 5/24/18 10:00 a.m. | 5/23/18 8:25 a.m. | | | | | |

Resolution No. 425-34 (COR)

Introduced by:

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| Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr. Luis S. San Augustin | Régine Biscoe Lee Tommy Morrison |
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Relative to recognizing and congratulating Mrs. Josefina Dorotea Yamanaka Blas on celebrating one hundred three (103) years of life in 2018; and to further honoring her as a Centenarian of the 2018 "Senior Citizens Month" celebration.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF I MINA'TRENTAI KUÀTTRO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN:

WHEREAS, Josefina Dorotea Mendiola Yamanaka was born on May 9, 1915 in the village of Agut, and is the daughter of Kioshi Diego and Catalina Mendiola Yamanaka. Josefina currently resides in the beautiful village of *Talofofu*, also known as "God's Country;" and

WHEREAS, Josefina married Mariano Mafnas Blas on June 7, 1941, and they shared thirty-three (33) years of marriage until Mariano's death in 1974. They raised nine (9) children: Joseph Anthony, David Marion, Edward Richard, Peter John, Henry Vincent, Raymond Frankie, Catherine Rose Blas Santos, Mary Doris Blas Pablo, and Thomas James; and has also been blessed with forty-three (43) grandchildren, ninety-six (96) great-grandchildren, and twenty-five (25) great-great grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, during World War II, Josefina was only twenty-six (26) years old. She, along with her granddaughter Liza Mary Blas Matanane, did a documentary to tell of her experiences during World War II. Having lived through a war and experiencing the unfortunate deportation of her father, she still manages to forgive and see only the good in all people; and

WHEREAS, Josefina attended the College of Guam, and although she never received a degree, she was an Educator for thirty-four (34) years. She is fondly remembered by her former students and *Talofofu* residents as their first (1st)-grade teacher; and she had also worked as a Sales Clerk for Butlers; and

WHEREAS, Josefina is a huge baseball fan of the New York Yankees and Los Angeles Dodgers. During her spare time, she enjoys crocheting, playing cards, and watching ESPN. Being a devoted Catholic and a very religious woman, she loves to pray the Divine Mercy Prayer and still carries on her annual Christmas tradition of having the *Nobenan Niñu Jesus*. Josefina is a devoted churchgoer and a member of the Christian Mothers of the *San Miguel* Church Parish; and

WHEREAS, Josefina's favorite foods are fish *kehguen* from the Fisherman's Co-op, jelly beans, mocha frappe and strawberry lemonade from McDonalds, and custard pie. Josefina is well-known for her delicious corn soup that she usually prepares for family gatherings; and

WHEREAS, Josefina is a loving, wonderful, and unselfish mother to her children, and grandmother to her grand, great-grand, and great-great grandchildren; and her family members feel so blessed to still have her in their lives. There is no doubt that her good health and longevity are due to her faith, love, and devotion to her family and God; now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina'Trentai Kuàttro Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the people of Guam, recognize and congratulate Mrs. Josefina Dorotea Yamanaka Blas on celebrating one hundred three (103) years of life in 2018; and does further honor her as a Centenarian of the 2018 "Senior Citizens Month" celebration; 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 Mrs. Josefina Dorotea Yamanaka Blas; and to the Honorable Edward J.B. Calvo, *I Maqa'lahen Guåhan*.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF I MINA'TRENTAI KUÀTTRO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE 23RD DAY OF MAY 2018.


BENJAMIN F. CRUZ
Speaker


RÉGINE BISCOE LEE
Chairperson, Committee on Rules


RÉGINE BISCOE LEE
Legislative Secretary



Joe Mesozo
5/24/18

Clerks

From: Natasha Cepeda <natasha@toduguam.com>
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Cc: Guam Legislature Clerks Office; Protocol Guam Legislature; Tom Unsiog; Management Information System
Subject: Presentation of Resolution No. 423-34 to 429-34 (COR)

May 17, 2018

To: All Senators
From: Senator Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr.
Subject: Presentation of Resolution No. 423-34 to 429-34 (COR)

Hafa Adai!

Please join me in presenting Legislative Resolution No. 423-34 to 429-34 (COR) recognizing the following as a 2018 Guam Centenarian on the occasion of Senior Citizens Month:

- Resolution No. 423-34 (COR) - Mrs. Cesaria Cruz Arce
- Resolution No. 424-34 (COR)- Mrs. Hae Im Yu Shim
- Resolution No. 425-34 (COR) - Mrs. Josefina Dorotea Yamanaka Blas
- Resolution No. 426-34 (COR) - Mrs. Julia Blas Sablan
- Resolution No. 427-34 (COR) - Mr. Julian Bryson Wilgus
- Resolution No. 428-34 (COR) - Mrs. Paz Mendiola Sablan
- Resolution No. 429-34 (COR) - Mrs. Shirley Marie Bridler

Presentation will take place at **10 am** on **Thursday, May 24, 2018** at the Pacific Star Resort & Spa in Tumon.

Si Yu'os Ma'ase

Natasha Cepeda

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2018 (SECOND) Regular Session

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2 ***MINA'TRENTAI KUÁTTRO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN:***

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4 the village of *Agat*, and is the daughter of Kioshi Diego and Catalina Mendiola

1 Yamanaka. Josefina currently resides in the beautiful village of *Talofof*, also known
2 as “*God’s Country*,” and

3 **WHEREAS**, Josefina married Mariano Mafnas Blas on June 7, 1941, and they
4 shared thirty-three (33) years of marriage until Mariano’s death in 1974. They raised
5 nine (9) children: Joseph Anthony, David Marion, Edward Richard, Peter John, Henry
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7 Thomas James; and has also been blessed with forty-three (43) grandchildren, ninety-
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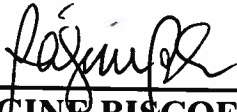
**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF
I MINA'TRENTAI KUATTRO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE 23RD
DAY OF MAY 2018.**



BENJAMIN J.F. CRUZ
Speaker



RÉGINE BISCOE LEE
Chairperson, Committee on Rules



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Legislative Secretary

Senator Thomas C. Ada,
Vice Chairperson

Speaker Benjamin J.F. Cruz,
Member

Vice Speaker Therese M. Terlaje,
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Senator Mary Camacho Torres,
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COMMITTEE VOTING SHEET

Resolution No. 425-34 (COR) – Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr., Joe S. San Agustin. –
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| | SIGNATURE | DATE | TO ADOPT | TO NOT ADOPT | TO ABSTAIN | |
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| Legislative Secretary Régine Biscoe Lee Chairperson | EVOTE | 5/22/18 | ✓ | | | |
| Senator Thomas C. Ada Vice Chairperson | EVOTE | 5/22/18 | ✓ | | | |
| Speaker Benjamin J. F. Cruz Member | | | | | | |
| Vice-Speaker Therese M. Terlaje Member | EVOTE | 5/22/18 | ✓ | | | |
| Senator Frank B. Aguon, Jr. Member | EVOTE | 5/22/18 | ✓ | | 2018 MAY 23 AM 8:25 | |
| Senator Telenia Cruz Nelson Member | EVOTE | 5/22/18 | ✓ | | | |
| Senator Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr. Member | EVOTE | 5/22/18 | ✓ | | | |
| Senator Joe S. San Agustin Member | EVOTE | 5/22/18 | ✓ | | | |
| Senator Michael F.Q. San Nicolas Member | EVOTE | 5/22/18 | ✓ | | | |
| Senator James V. Espaldon Minority Leader | EVOTE | 5/22/18 | ✓ | | | |
| Senator Mary Camacho Torres Minority Member | | | | | | |
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| Sponsor Signature: _____ | | | | | | |
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| Date: _____ | | | | | | |
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