

***I MINA'TRENTAI KU'ATTRO NA LIHESLATURAN GU'AHAN***  
**RESOLUTION STATUS**

<b>Resolution No.</b>	<b>Sponsor</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Date Intro</b>	<b>Date of Presentation</b>	<b>Date Adopted</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>	<b>Referred to</b>	<b>PUBLIC HEARING DATE</b>	<b>DATE COMMITTEE REPORT FILED</b>	<b>NOTES</b>
<b>117-34 (COR)</b>	Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr. Joe S. San Agustin	Relative to commemorating and acknowledging the distinguished accomplishments and dedication of the late Norbert (Bert) Reyes Unpingco, "Mr. Tourism" and public figure, who was an inspiration to all; and to further extending the sincere condolences of the people of Guam and I Liheslaturan Gu'ahan to the members of the Unpingco family upon his passing.	5/15/17 11:26 a.m.	5/20/17 8:00 a.m.						

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**2017 (FIRST) Regular Session**

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Introduced by:

Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr. *92*  
Joe S. San Agustin *8*

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

3        **WHEREAS**, on October 9, 1933 Bert was born to Eliza Guevara Reyes and  
4        Jose Aguon Unpingco; and

5        **WHEREAS**, being known as Mr. Tourism in Guam and in North Alabama Bert  
6        won approval from the people for his innovative ideas for the tourism industry; and

7        **WHEREAS**, in 1970 and 1976 Bert received the prestigious Discover America  
8        Award for Guam and Alabama which is America’s highest Tourism award; and

9        **WHEREAS**, other civic involvement include serving as board member &  
10       volunteer fundraiser for Boy Scouts of America, American Red Cross, American Lung  
11       Association, Guam Rehabilitation Workshop, Guam Little League, Guam Jr. Golf, &  
12       other non-profit & youths org.; PTA president of Carlos L. Taitano Elementary, (3  
13       yrs); Agueda Johnston Middle (2 yrs.); & PTA vice president, GWHS, (2 years); and

1           **WHEREAS**, having served many governors of Guam Cabinets; Governors  
2 Carlos G. Camacho, 1970-74; Ricardo J. Bordallo, 1975-77; Paul M. Calvo, 1979-82.

3           **WHEREAS**, WAVE! (Welcome All Visitors Enthusiastically) was pioneered by  
4 Bert and is the most notable program of tourism promotion at GVB; and

5           **WHEREAS**, an active member for tourism, was also a member of: GVB  
6 Board, AARP, Tumon Bay Rotary Club, YMLG, Guam Beautification Task Force,  
7 Knights of Columbus, and UOG Marc Advisory Board ; and

8           **WHEREAS**, “Portraits of Guam” was published by Bert in 2008 and another in  
9 2009 that showcased the beauty of Guam as a world-class tourist destination; and

10           **WHEREAS**, the 27<sup>th</sup> GUAM LEGISLATURE, unanimously approved and  
11 presented Bert Unpingco with "Resolution of Commendation" for his initiative in  
12 researching, compiling, narrating, preparation for printing of the all-new Guam Tourist  
13 & Recreation Map; and

14           **WHEREAS**, receiving a “Lifetime Excellence in Tourism Award” and the  
15 “Maga Lahi Arts Award” for his tireless effort for the promotion of our island on a  
16 consistent basis; and

17           **WHEREAS**, the awards and honors are endless for Mr. Guam Tourism. He has  
18 championed the effort to help Guam evolve as a competitor in the tourism industry  
19 and has established programs that will be in place for the good of Guam for many  
20 decades to come; and

21           **WHEREAS**, Mr. Bert Unpingco was married to Virginia Lujan Taitano  
22 Unpingco and they are the parents of 9 children; namely Gloria, Yvonne, Dennis,  
23 Raphael, Maria, Carlos, Carmel, Evangeline , and William; now, therefore be it

24           **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina'Trentai Kuåttro Na*  
25 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the people  
26 of Guam, commemorate and acknowledge the distinguished accomplishments and

1 dedication of the late Honorable Norbert (Bert) Reyes Unpingco, “Mr. Tourism” , and  
2 public figure, who was an inspiration to all; and to further extending the sincere  
3 condolences of the people of Guam and *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* to the members of the  
4 Unpingco family upon his passing; and be it further

5 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules  
6 certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of  
7 the same be thereafter transmitted to the family of Mr. Norbert (Bert) Reyes  
8 Unpingco; and to the Honorable Edward J.B. Calvo, *I Maga'lahaen Guåhan*.

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

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**Benjamin J.F. Cruz**  
Speaker

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**Michael F.Q. San Nicolas**  
Chairperson, Committee on Rules

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**Régine Biscoe Lee**  
Legislative Secretary