

***I MINA 'TRENTAI KUÁTTRO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN***  
**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>
149-34 (COR)	Therese M. Terlaje	Relative to remembering and recognizing the life of the late Vicenta San Nicolas Camacho, a Chamorro survivor of World War II, mother, grandmother, and great grandmother, to express sincere appreciation for her family's story, her service to her community, and her individual efforts to foster Chamorro cultural continuity and values while raising her family away from home; and to further expressing condolences and appreciation of her life to her family on her passing.	6/14/17 11:42 a.m.	06/23/17 Folsom, California						

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**2017 (FIRST) Regular Session**

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Introduced by:

Therese M. Terlaje *TMT*

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

3           **WHEREAS**, Vicenta San Nicolas Camacho, the daughter of Maria Quitugua  
4    Mariano San Nicolas and Antonio Dydasco San Nicolas, was born in the capital of  
5    Hagåtña, Guam on December 22, 1922; and

6           **WHEREAS**, as a young woman, Vicenta survived the Japanese occupation of  
7    Guam during World War II, and along with her family members, endured the forced  
8    march to the Manneggon concentration camp in Yona; and

9           **WHEREAS**, while teaching in Guam after the war, Vicenta met a young  
10   Chamorro man and U.S. Navy sailor Atanacio Rivera Camacho in 1947, who was the  
11   school principal's younger brother, and later relocated to California with Atanacio

1 after their marriage, where they would make their home and raise their ten children;  
2 and

3 **WHEREAS**, Vicenta was her children's bond to their motherland as they were  
4 children of the Chamorro diaspora community living away from home, and was also  
5 the link to their family history and roots in Guam; and

6 **WHEREAS**, Vicenta enjoyed sharing stories of her life in Guam and imparting  
7 Chamorro traditions that laid the foundation of her family's core values, and while at  
8 family gatherings, Vicenta proudly prepared Chamorro dishes including red rice,  
9 kelaguen, bistek and finadene; and

10 **WHEREAS**, after her husband Atanacio passed away in 1970, Vicenta  
11 remained in California to raise their children until they left for college, military  
12 service or to start their own families; and

13 **WHEREAS**, Vicenta was motivated by the social movements of the 1970s and  
14 80s and earned two Associate of Arts degrees at Laney Peralta Community College,  
15 combining her education and Chamorro Catholic values with her passion for social  
16 justice; and

17 **WHEREAS**, at the age of 94, Vicenta was the beloved mother, grandmother,  
18 great grandmother and matriarch of four generations of Camachos in the U.S.,  
19 including her 10 children, 55 grandchildren and great grandchildren and countless  
20 nieces and nephews; and

21 **WHEREAS**, Vicenta passed away peacefully at her home in Folsom,  
22 California on March 25, 2017, surrounded by her beloved family members; and

23 **WHEREAS**, Vicenta is survived by her children Mary, Anthony, Vincent,  
24 Barbara, Josephine, Charles, Elizabeth, George, and Raymond, and is also survived by  
25 her brothers Silvino, Jose and Alejandro San Nicolas, and is preceded in death by her  
26 husband Atanacio Rivera Camacho, their son John, her brothers, Ramon and Luis, her

1 parents, Maria Mariano and Antonio Dydasco San Nicolas, and her grandchildren  
2 "Nacho" Camacho, and Carlos Camacho Jr.; and

3 **WHEREAS**, Vicenta is affectionately remembered for her love of travel,  
4 her wonderful sense of humor, her kindness, consideration, and respect of others;  
5 and

6 **WHEREAS**, Vicenta is also known for her acceptance of diversity of all  
7 people and her efforts to promote social justice, worker and immigrant rights, and  
8 women's equality; and

9 **WHEREAS**, Vicenta's family continues to cherish the wonderful memories  
10 of her Chamorro spirit and has established the "Vicenta San Nicolas Camacho  
11 Legacy Fund" to perpetuate her legacy of love and respect for human dignity; and

12 **WHEREAS**, a Catholic mass & celebration of Vicenta's life is being held  
13 on Friday, June 23, 2017 at the Church of the Good Shepherd, in Pittsburg,  
14 California; now therefore, be it

15 **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina'Trentai Kuåtto Na*  
16 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the  
17 people of Guam, remember and honor the life of the late Vicenta San Nicolas  
18 Camacho, a *Chamorro* survivor of World War II; and express sincere appreciation  
19 for her family's story, her service to the community, and her individual efforts to  
20 foster *Chamorro* cultural continuity and values while raising her family away from  
21 home; and celebrate her life and remember her as a loving matriarch and a strong  
22 *Chamorro* woman; and does further express sincere condolences and appreciation  
23 of her life to her family on her passing; and be it further

24 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on  
25 Rules certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that  
26 copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to the family of the late Vicenta San  
27 Nicolas Camacho; and to the Honorable Edward J.B. Calvo, *I Maga'låhen Guåhan*.

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