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

| Resolution No. | Sponsor                                | Title  | Date Intro | Date of<br>Presentation | Date Adopted | Date<br>Referred | Referred to | PUBLIC<br>HEARING<br>DATE | DATE<br>COMMITTEE<br>REPORT FILED | NOTES |
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|                | William M. Castro<br>Régine Biscoe Lee | Relative to commending and recognizing Lieutenant Colonel Esther J.C. Aguigui for being the first female from the Guam Army National Guard to graduate from the United States Army War College and to further extending a warm Un Dångkolo na Si Yu'os Ma'áse to her for her continued dedication, selfless service and sacrifices to the people of Guam and the United States of America. | 11:53 a.m. | 6/29/17<br>8:00 a.m.    |              |                  |             |                           |                                   |       |

## I MINA'TRENTAI KUATTRO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN 2017 (FIRST) Regular Session

Resolution No. 15 -34 (COR)

Introduced by:

Telena Cruz Nelson William M. Castro Régine Biscoe Lee

Relative to commending and recognizing Lieutenant Colonel Esther J.C. Aguigui for being the first female from the Guam Army National Guard to graduate from the United States Army War College and to further extending a warm *Un Dångkolo na Si Yu'os Ma'åse* to her for her continued dedication, selfless service and sacrifices to the people of Guam and the United States of America.

## BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF I

## MINA'TRENTAI KUATTRO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN:

- 3 WHEREAS, Lieutenant Colonel Esther J.C. Aguigui was born on November
- 4 13, 1961 and is one (1) of six (6) children of Joaquin T. and Teresita C. Aguigui from
- 5 Malesso, Guam; and

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- 6 WHEREAS, in 1980, Lieutenant Colonel Esther J.C. Aguigui graduated from
- 7 George Washington High School in Mangilao, Guam and later earned a Bachelor of
- 8 Education degree in Secondary Education under a merit scholarship from the
- 9 University of Guam; and
- WHEREAS, after graduation, Lieutenant Colonel Esther J.C. Aguigui spent
- sixteen (16) years teaching and coaching middle and high school students and athletes
- 12 at various public and private secondary schools on Guam; and

- 1 WHEREAS, in 1985, Lieutenant Colonel Esther J.C. Aguigui began her
- 2 military career when she enlisted in the United States Air Force Reserve, and served
- 3 as an Information Management Specialist; and after ten (10) years, in 1995, she
- 4 became the Supervisor of the Section. She was granted a federal, advanced promotion
- 5 to Technical Sergeant, becoming the first service member in the 44<sup>th</sup> Aerial Port
- 6 Squadron to be promoted to such title; and
- 7 WHEREAS, in 1996, Lieutenant Colonel Esther J.C. Aguigui became a
- 8 member of the Guam Army National Guard, becoming the first and only female First
- 9 Sergeant of the 254<sup>th</sup> Engineer Squadron, 254<sup>th</sup> Air Base Group; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Lieutenant Colonel Esther J.C. Aguigui served in various
- assignments as a Company Grade Officer for a period of nine (9) years; and
- WHEREAS, in 1999, Lieutenant Colonel Esther J.C. Aguigui received a direct
- 13 commission with the Guam Army National Guard, where she took on her first
- 14 assignment as the Family Assistance Program Coordinator; and
- WHEREAS, as a First Lieutenant, on September 12, 2001, Lieutenant Colonel
- 16 Esther J.C. Aguigui reported to her first Active Guard Reserve assignment as the Aide
- de Camp to Major General Benny M. Paulino, the then Adjutant General; and
- 18 WHEREAS, in April 2002, Lieutenant Colonel Esther J.C. Aguigui took
- 19 command of the 294th Military Intelligence Detachment; and in February 2004, the
- 20 unit deployed in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom; and
- WHEREAS, in October 2005, while serving as Captain, Lieutenant Colonel
- 22 Esther J.C. Aguigui served as the Senior Intelligence Officer (J2) for Task Force
- 23 Pelican during the first ever Joint Task Force deployment of Army and Air National
- 24 Guard service members for the relief efforts in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina in
- 25 Louisiana; and

- 1 WHEREAS, in January 2006, Lieutenant Colonel Esther J.C. Aguigui
- 2 deployed to Afghanistan in support of Operation Enduring Freedom, and was assigned
- 3 to serve as the Deputy Senior Counterintelligence Officer (J2/X) for the one thousand
- 4 two hundred (1,200)-person Joint Special Operations Task Force; and she was also the
- 5 Liaison Officer to the Combined Joint Special Operations Task Force; and
- 6 WHEREAS, in May 2010, Lieutenant Colonel Esther J.C. Aguigui received
- 7 her next assignment to serve as the S3 Operations Officer for the 105<sup>th</sup> Troop
- 8 Command, where she planned, controlled, and executed the annual training movement
- 9 of its two (2) largest units, one to Camp Dodge, Iowa, and the other to Hohenfels,
- 10 Germany; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Lieutenant Colonel Esther J.C. Aguigui became the highest
- 12 female Officer to take the Recruiting and Retention Batallion of the Guam Army
- 13 National Guard; and the first female Officer to command a battalion in the Guam
- 14 National Guard; and
- WHEREAS, on June 9, 2017, Lieutenant Colonel Esther J.C. Aguigui
- 16 graduated from the United States Army War College in Carlisle, Pennsylvania,
- 17 becoming the first female from the Guam Army National Guam to graduate from the
- 18 war college; and
- 19 WHEREAS, major Military Awards and Decorations of Lieutenant Colonel
- 20 Esther J.C. Aguigui include: the Bronze Star Medal, the Meritorious Service Medal (1
- 21 Oak Leave Cluster), the Air Force Outstanding Unit Award, the Army Commendation
- 22 Medal, the Army Achievement Medal, the Air Reserve Forces Meritorious Service
- 23 Award, the National Defense Service Medal, the Afghanistan Campaign Medal, the
- 24 Global War on Terrorism Service (Expeditionary) Medal, and the Global War on
- 25 Terrorism Service Medal; now therefore, be it

| 1  | RESOLVED, that the Committee on Rules of I Mina'Trentai Kuattro Na                        |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 2  | Liheslaturan Guåhan does hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, commend and             |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 3  | recognize Lieutenant Colonel Esther J.C. Aguigui for being the first female from the      |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4  | Guam Army National Guard to graduate from the United States Army War College;             |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 5  | and does further extend a warm Un Dångkolo na Si Yu'os Ma'åse to her for her              |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 6  | continued dedication, selfless service and sacrifices to the people of Guam and the       |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 7  | United States of America; and be it further   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 8  | RESOLVED, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules                  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 9  | certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 10 | the same be thereafter transmitted to Lieutenant Colonel Esther J.C. Aguigui; and to      |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 11 | the Honorable Edward J.B. Calvo, I Maga'lahen Guåhan.                                     |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|    | DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY I MINA'TRENTAI KUATTRO NA LIHES DAY OF MAY 2017.            | _  |  |  |  |  |  |
|    |   | MICHAEL F. Q. SAN NICOLAS airman, Committee on Rules |  |  |  |  |  |
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Legislative Secretary