I MINA'TRENTAI KUÅTTRO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN YEAR (FIRST) Regular Session

Resolution No. 36-34(002)

Introduced by:

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Joe S. San Agustin

Relative to recognizing and commending the Members of Micronesia Lodge No. 173 for its 55th Anniversary and promoting the Tenents of FreeMasonry of "Brother Love, Respect and Truth: and to further extend Un Dangkulu Na Si Yu'os Ma'ase to the Micronesia Lodge No. 173 for taking the initiative for the betterment of its Members and our Community of Guam.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF

MINA'TRENTAI KUÅTTRO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN:

WHEREAS, Micronesia Lodge No. 173, first meeting was in Saipan, Northern

4 Marianas Islands, after Grand Master Pedro M. Gimenez issued a dispensation

authorizing its establishment on 13 July 1963, Named as dispensation officers of the

6 lodge were: WB Horace Leavitt, Master, WB Walter F. Dupont, Senior Warden and

- 7 Bro. Elmer Gay, Jr., Junior Warden.
- 8 **WHEREAS,** in 1977, the members decided to transfer their lodge to Guam.
- 9 In Guam some brethren from Charleston Lodge No.44 and Milton C. Marvin Lodge
- 10 No. 123, affiliated with Micronesia Lodge to enable the lodge to retain its charter.
- 11 Through their efforts and perseverance, Micronesia Lodge No.173 was given a new
- 12 beginning and with the infusion of more pioneering members, the lodge started to
- have a sustainable life again. The elected and appointed officers demonstrated strong
- 14 leadership and example and in due time, Micronesia Lodge No. 173 became one of the

1 significant "success stories" in the history of the lodges under the Philippine

2 jurisdiction. This culminated on October 18, 1985 when, through the effort of WB

3 Raulito Galgana and the Secretary of the lodge, WB Casiano Bostre, the charter of the

lodge was permanently established and fully authorized to have Guam as its new

5 permanent seat.

WHEREAS, Micronesia Lodge No. 173 now boasts an active membership of 69 brethren, most of which are scattered all the world. Brethren from afar unfailingly communicate with the lodge. The brethren on the island continue to demonstrate devotion and loyalty to Masonry, in general, and to Micronesia Lodge No. 173, in particular. Its Past Masters have maintained their undying dedication to making the lodge strong, Newly arrived Masons find "home and brotherhood" in the lodge, ultimately ending up as affiliated members. The Lodge now is strong. Harmony is an all-time high. Support to the Grand Lodge of the Philippines, has always been extraordinary. Programs to assist the less fortunate, the sick and victims of natural disasters are firmly in place. Micronesia Lodge No. 173 is and will continue to be the torchbearer in Guam in spreading the light of Masonry and glory of brotherhood.

WHEREAS, it is know that, its members and as a Fraternal Institution have rendered assistance to various organizations both public and private; whether it be as needed equipment to the Guam Memorial Hospital, St. Dominic's Senior Care, or a Public School of the Department of Education

WHEREAS, on February 25, 2017 the Micronesia Lodge No. 173 will be led by Bro. Jun Gozum, Worshipful Master; Bro James Padilla, Senior Warden; Bro.

Lloyd Baker, Junior Warden; VWB Jose Arthur Chan, Secretary; Bro. Alex Miranda, 1 2 Treasurer: VWB Angel Baldemor, Auditor. RESOLVED, that the Committee on Rules of I Mina'Trentai Kuåttro Na 3 4 Liheslaturan Guåhan does hereby, on behalf of I Liheslaturan Guåhan and the people of Guam, recognize and commend the Micronesia Lodge No. 173 on 5 their 55th Anniversary. A Freemason in thoughts, words and actions, and be it 6 7 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 the same be thereafter transmitted to Bro. Jun Gozum, Worshipful Master; The Most 10 11 Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the Philippines, MW Voltaire Gazmin, Grand Master and to the Honorable Edward J.B. Calvo, I 12 13 Maga'lahen Guåhan. DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF I MINA'TRENTAI KUÅTTRO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE DAY OF FEBRUARY 2017.

> RÉGINE BISCOE LEE Legislative Secretary

MICHAEL F.Q. SAN NICOLAS Chairperson, Committee on Rules

BENJAMIN J.F. CRUZ

Speaker