

I MINA'TRENTAI SINGKO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
RESOLUTIONS

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383-35 (COR)	Tina Rose Muña Barnes	Relative to posthumously recognizing the late Edimund Wengu for his invaluable work as Project Director of the Micronesian Resource Center; and to further recognize his service to Guam's local FSM community as an advocate of "micrONEnesia."	9/29/20 4:16 p.m.	TBA						

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2020 (SECOND) Regular Session

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Introduced by:

Tina Rose Muña Barnes

Relative to posthumously recognizing the late Edimund Wengu for his invaluable work as Project Director of the Micronesian Resource Center; and to further recognize his service to Guam's local FSM community as an advocate of "micrONEnesia."

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

WHEREAS, the late Edminud Wengu was born in Guam on February 27, 1987; and was a pillar of our local FSM community, being multi-lingual in both Chuukese, Pohnpeian, and English. In August of 2001 he attended John F. Kennedy High School and graduated with a 3.5 Garde Point Average in June 2005; and

WHEREAS, the late Edminud Wengu received his undergraduate education from the University of Guam (UOG) from August 2005 to August 2006; and completed his College education at Jefferson Community College in Watertown, New York in February 2007; and

WHEREAS, the late Edminud Wengu was an advocate of peace in our local community. During his time at UOG, the late Edminud Wengu was involved in the Inafa' Maolek Conciliation, a non-profit organization on Guam dedicated to teaching and promoting conflict resolution. Upon returning to Guam in 2017 the late Edminud Wengu sought to further his message of peace through his involvement in youth athletic

1 programs, such as 4 Stars, Guam Elite, and the Hammer Volleyball Club. The late
2 Edminud Wengu believed that public participation in youth programs can help
3 empower the Micronesian youth and challenge the negative stereotypes associated with
4 the FSM community in Guam. It was his hope that by creating positive attitudes toward
5 Guam's Micronesian community Guam could promote the concept of a one Micronesia
6 or "micrONEnesia" perspective in Guam; and

7 **WHEREAS**, in May 2017 the late Edminud Wengu became the project Director
8 of MANE'LU's Micronesian Resource Center One Stop Shop (MRCOSS). The late
9 Edminud Wengu's philosophy of "micrONEnesia" aligned with the mission and vision
10 of MRCOSS by assisting the FSM community through informational and educational
11 resources to assist Micronesians as they transition to a new life in Guam; and

12 **WHEREAS**, Edminud Wengu passed away from a heart attack on August 20,
13 2020. He is survived by his mother Marisa Wengu Reyes, his stepfather William Reyes,
14 his biological father Welfred Edmund, and his siblings Welson Wengu, Delyn Dois,
15 and Eleina Reyes; and will be especially missed by those who share his passion for
16 activism through youth engagement and athleticism. The late Edminud Wengu will be
17 posthumously recognized by his friends and colleagues at MRCOSS who will be
18 renaming the One Stop Center in honor of his memory; and therefore be it,

19 **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina'trentai Singko Na*
20 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam posthumously
21 recognize the late Edimund Wengu for his invaluable work as Project Director of the
22 Micronesian Resource Center; and to further recognize his service to Guam's local FSM
23 community as an advocate of "micrONEnesia"; and be it further

24 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chair of the Committee on Rules certify,
25 and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same

- 1 be thereafter transmitted to the family of the late Edminud Wengu; and to the Honorable
2 Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero, *I Maga'hågan Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF I
MINA'TRENTAI SINGKO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE DAY
OF MONTH 2020.**

TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES
Speaker

RÉGINE BISCOE LEE
Chair, Committee on Rules

AMANDA L. SHELTON
Legislative Secretary