

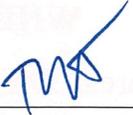
**I MINA'TRENTAI SINGKO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN**  
**RESOLUTIONS**

Resolution No.	Sponsor	Title	Date Intro	Date of Presentation	Date Adopted	Date Referred	Referred to	PUBLIC HEARING DATE	DATE COMMITTEE REPORT FILED	NOTES
47-35 (COR)	Therese M. Terlaje	Relative to recognizing and congratulating Ms. Maria B. Yoshida on the occasion of her retirement from the Department of Public Health and Social Services after twenty-five (25) years of dedicated, professional, and exceptional service with the Government of Guam; and to further extending a warm and sincere <i>Un Dångkolo na Si Yu'os Ma'åse'</i> to her for her dedication and commitment to serving the people of Guam.	2/21/19 3:10 p.m.	3/4/19 1:00 p.m.						

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**2019 (FIRST) Regular Session**

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Introduced by:

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

3           **WHEREAS,** Maria Blas Yoshida fondly known as Mary, was born on  
4 December 16, 1958 in Pagat, Mangilao, Guam. She is the daughter of Josefa  
5 Francisco Blas and Juan Manibusan Blas, and is the sixth (6) child of eight (8) sibling,  
6 with five (5) brothers; Jose G. Francisco married to Ana Palacios, Vicente A.  
7 Francisco married to Isabel Yoshida, Juan G. Francisco, Anthony M. Blas married to  
8 Patty Borja and Danny F. Blas married to Norma Concepcion and two (2) sisters; Rita  
9 G. Francisco married to Luis C. Duenas and Soledad F. Blas married to Antonio C.  
10 Duenas; and

11           **WHEREAS,** Mary's true love was, the late Juan Meno Yoshida, whom she  
12 shared forty-one (41) wonderful years, whom she married on December 21, 2007 and

1 blessed with seven (7) children; John J. Blas in relationship with Tina Flores, Regina  
2 M. Blas married to Dennis Corpus, Joyce L. Blas married to Marvin Reyes, Lina A.  
3 Blas married to Franklin Ada, Robert J. Blas, Lee J. Blas and Alicia R. Blas; and

4       **WHEREAS**, Mary is also blessed with twenty (20) grandchildren; Rita M.  
5 Flores, Daniel John Blas, Jaylene Jean Blas, Joti-Jariel Blas, Ashley Kacvinsky,  
6 Marvin Aguon, Lehuanani Blas, Lakeisha Reyes, Marcina Reyes, Marques Reyes,  
7 Lanika Ada, Vincent Ada, Joycia’G Ada, Robert John Blas, Jayniyah Blas, Kaeia  
8 Blas, Rijahn Blas, Rayne Blas, Rejonicia Blas and Dravin Abelon; eight (8) great  
9 grandchildren; Drake, Maython, Rae Maddison, Melony, Avaina, Amelia, Ashton and  
10 Skly-Ayvry; and

11       **WHEREAS**, Mary is passionate in her work and is known by her supervisors  
12 as a true leader. She has accepted all assignments given to her with great enthusiasm  
13 and commitment. She is looked upon as dependable, effective, motivated, organized,  
14 genuine, courteous, adaptable, and persevering by all her Department colleagues and  
15 WIC clients; and

16       **WHEREAS**, Mary pursued her education and received her adult high school  
17 diploma on December 2003 from the Guam Community College in Mangilao, Guam.  
18 She began her working career with the Expanded Nutrition Education Program at the  
19 University of Guam from 1983 to 1985; worked for Advance Management from 1990  
20 to 1993 before finding her true calling on June 7, 1993 as a Nutrition Assistant I at the  
21 Bureau of Nutrition Services, Guam Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for  
22 Women, Infants and Children (WIC), at the Department of Public Health and Social  
23 Services. Mary has since then held this position up to her date of retirement on  
24 February 28, 2019; and

25       **WHEREAS**, Mary received her certificate of completion for Paraprofessional  
26 Training Program as a WIC Competent Professional Authority (CPA) on May 26,

1 2000. Through the years she has received the following Certificates of Completion:  
2 the Employee Family Violence Training on September 13, 2000, the U.S. Department  
3 of Homeland Security FEMA Certificate of Achievement Independent Course Study  
4 IS00700 on December 23, 2011, the Independent Course Study IS-00100 HCB  
5 Introduction to the Incident Command System (ICS 100) for Healthcare/Hospitals on  
6 December 19, 2011, the IS00907 Active Shooter “What you can do?” on July 11,  
7 2016, the Western Pacific Regional Lactation Conference administered by the Guam  
8 Cooperative Extension, University of Guam on November 6, 1995, the Time  
9 Management Workshop on September 24, 1996, the Health Insurance Portability and  
10 Accountability Act (HIPPA) Training on January 30, 2015 and January 29, 2016, the  
11 WIC 101-Introduction to WIC on March 16, 2009, Anthropometrics on July 6, 2011,  
12 Basic Nutrition, Child Nutrition, Post-Partum Nutrition, Breastfeeding, Prenatal  
13 Nutrition on January 14, 2012, the Hematology on January 14, 2011, the Infant  
14 Nutrition on January 17, 2012, the Introduction to WIC Listens on July 25, 2012,  
15 Modules 1 of 9 What Motivates People to Change on January 2013, Modules 2 of 9  
16 The Spirit of Participant Centered Education on January 15, 2013, Modules 3 of 9  
17 Opening the Conversations on January 15, 2013, Module 4 of 9 O.A.R.S. and Module  
18 5 of 9 Roadblocks to Listening on January 16, 2013, Modules 6 of 9 Moving from  
19 Assessment to Counseling and Module 7 of 9 Providing Advice: Offering Nutrition  
20 Education on January 16, 2013, Modules 8 of 9 Rolling with Resistance and Modules  
21 9 of 9 next Steps on January 17, 2013, the Baby Behaviors on June 23, 2013 and the  
22 Practical Applications of C.L.A.S. on January 24, 2014; and

23         **WHEREAS**, Mary has dedicated her time to community service and outreach  
24 and has received the following Certificates’ of Appreciation: as a site volunteer for her  
25 tireless dedication and hard work in assisting the people of Guam at the Super  
26 Typhoon Paka Disaster Assistance Center for the emergency public assistance

1 program and received the Governor’s Award of Excellence 1997 by Governor Carl  
2 T.C. Gutierrez and Lt. Governor Madeleine Z. Bordallo; The Post-Typhoon *Chata’an*  
3 Emergency Disaster Food Stamp Assistance Distribution on September 6, 2002; the  
4 Mini Health Fair 2000-Nutrition Awareness Month on March 17, 2000; the 2012  
5 Breastfeeding Week on August 6, 2012; and the Happy Healthy Babies on August 10,  
6 2011;and

7         **WHEREAS**, Mary has also been an Employee Association Member with the  
8 Department of Public Health & Social Services for several years, supported numerous  
9 community and nonprofit organization in their fundraising efforts and event  
10 celebrations and is an active member of the Santa Teresita Catholic Church; and

11         **WHEREAS**, the Department of Public Health and Social Services is thankful  
12 for the twenty-five (25) years of professionalism, exceptional service and excellence  
13 in care that Mary has dedicated to the people of our island community. She is an  
14 employee of great esteem, whose absence will be greatly evident; and

15         **WHEREAS**, The Department of Public Health and Social Services and Mary’s  
16 colleagues wish her many blessings on her journey into retirement and extend their  
17 gratitude to Mary and her family for their commitment and sacrifice to support the  
18 DPHSS mission “*to assist the people of Guam in achieving and maintaining their*  
19 *highest levels of independence and self-sufficiency in health and social welfare*”; now,  
20 therefore be it

21         **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina'trentai Singko Na*  
22 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the people  
23 of Guam, recognize and congratulate Ms. Maria B. Yoshida on the occasion of her  
24 retirement from the Department of Public Health and Social Services after twenty-five  
25 (25) years of dedicated, professional, and exceptional service with the Government of  
26 Guam; and does further extending a warm and sincere *Un Dångkolo na Si Yu’os*

1 *Ma'åse'* to her for her dedication and commitment to serving the people of Guam; and  
2 be it further;

3 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules  
4 certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of  
5 the same be thereafter transmitted to the family of Ms. Maria B. Yoshida; Linda  
6 Unpingco-DeNorcey, Acting Director of the Department of Public Health and Social  
7 Services; and to the Honorable Lourdes 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 4<sup>TH</sup> DAY  
OF MARCH 2019.**

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**TINA ROSE MUÑA-BARNES**  
**Speaker**

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**RÉGINE BISCOE LEE**  
**Chairperson, Committee on Rules**

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**AMANDA L. SHELTON**  
**Legislative Secretary**