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# I MINA'TRENTAI SINGKO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN 2019 (FIRST) Regular Session

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APPENDIX 1

CHIEF JUSTICE KATHERINE MARAMAN: I MINA'TRENTAI SINGKO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN THE THIRTY-FIFTH GUAM LEGISLATURE SHALL COME TO ORDER I'VE BEEN ADVISED THERE IS A QUORUM PRESENT AND THE MEMBERS DESIRE TO TAKE A RECESS UNTIL 10:00 A.M. SO THE LEGISLATURE WILL BE IN RECESS UNTIL 10:00 A.M.

**CHIEF JUSTICE KATHERINE MARAMAN:** GOOD MORNING LADIES AND GENTLEMEN WELCOME TO OUR OFF ISLAND DISTINGUISHED GUESTS AND OTHER DISTINGUISHED GUESTS LADIES AND GENTLEMEN THE FIRST OFFICIAL SESSION OF *I MINA'TRENTAI SINGKO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* THE THIRTY-FIFTH GUAM LEGISLATURE SHALL COME TO ORDER WE'LL PROCEED WITH THE NEWLY ELECTED SENATORS

SERGEANT-AT-ARMS (THOMAS UNSIOG): OKAY WE START OFF WITH SENATOR RÉGINE BISCOE LEE ESCORTED BY HER HUSBAND ANDREW LEE AND HER DAUGHTERS ININA AND MIA LEE SENATOR TELENA CRUZ NELSON ESCORTED BY HER GRANDMOTHER ASUNCION CAMACHO CRUZ SENATOR-ELECT KELLY G. MARSH TAITANO ESCORTED BY HER HUSBAND TYRONE J. TAITANO SENATOR TINA ROSE MUÑA-BARNES ESCORTED BY HER HUSBAND JAKE BARNES AND GRANDSON TATUM CRUZ SENATOR-ELECT SABINA E. PEREZ ESCORTED BY HER GRANDAUNT BERNADITA PEREZ SENATOR-ELECT CLYNTON E. RIDGELL ESCORTED BY HER HIS WIFE THERESE AGUON RIDGELL AND CHILDREN ININA AND INATUA RIDGELLSENATOR JOSE S. SAN AGUSTIN I'M SORRY I'M SORRY JOE S. SAN AGUSTIN ESCORTED BY HIS WIFE JOANNE SAN AGUSTIN SORRY ABOUT THATSENATOR WILLIAM MENDIOLA CASTRO ESCORTED BY HIS WIFE DEBRA CABRERA DR. DEBRA CABRERA AND HIS FATHER BILL CASTRO AND HIS DAUGHTER MARIANA CASTRO SENATOR-ELECT AMANDA L SHELTON ESCORTED BY HER MOTHER GRACIELLA SHINOHARA SHELTON SENATOR SENATOR ELECT JANE C. MOYLAN ESCORTED BY HIS DAUGHTER KRISSY MOYLAN SENATOR-ELECT JOSE "PEDO" C. TERLAJE ESCORTED BY HIS WIFE FLORENTINA TERLAJE AND HIS GRANDDAUGHTER JODICA JODECI RAE TERLAJESENATOR LOUISE BO BORJA MUÑA ESCORTED BY HER SON BRYAN MUÑA SENATOR THERESE M. TERLAJE ESCORTED BY HIS FATHER HER FATHER THE FORMER SENATOR EDWARD TERLAJE AND HER DAUGHTER RITA AND MARIA BARCINAS SENATOR-ELECT TELO T. TAITAGUE ESCORTED BY HER SISTER ANITA SANTOS AND MARY CAMACHO TORRES SENATOR ESCORTED BY HER HUSBAND JUSTICE ROBERT J. TORRES.

**CHIEF JUSTICE KATHERINE MARAMAN:** LADIES AND GENTLEMEN PLEASE RISE FOR THE PRESENTATION OF COLORS I ASK THAT JESSIE BAIS AND RUBY SANTOS COME FORWARD TO SING THE NATIONAL ANTHEM AND *FANOGHE CHAMORRO*.

JESSIE BAIS AND RUBY SANTOS: O SAY CAN YOU SEE, BY THE DAWN'S EARLY LIGHT, WHAT SO PROUDLY WE HAIL'D AT THE TWILIGHT'S LAST GLEAMING, WHOSE BROAD STRIPES AND BRIGHT STARS THROUGH THE PERILOUS FIGHT O'ER THE RAMPARTS WE WATCH'D WERE SO GALLANTLY STREAMING. AND THE ROCKET'S RED GLARE, THE BOMBS BURSTING IN AIR, GAVE PROOF THROUGH THE NIGHT THAT OUR FLAG WAS STILL THERE, O SAY DOES THAT STAR-SPANGLED BANNER YET WAVE O'ER THE LAND OF THE FREE AND THE HOME OF THE BRAVE. ON THE SHORE DIMLY SEEN THROUGH THE MISTS OF THE DEEP WHERE THE FOE'S HAUGHTY HOST IN DREAD SILENCE REPOSES, WHAT IS THAT WHICH THE BREEZE, O'ER THE TOWERING STEEP, AS IT FITFULLY BLOWS, HALF CONCEALS, HALF DISCLOSES. NOW IT CATCHES THE GLEAM OF THE MORNING'S FIRST BEAM, IN FULL GLORY REFLECTED NOW SHINES IN THE STREAM, 'TIS THE STAR-SPANGLED BANNER - O LONG MAY IT WAVE O'ER THE LAND OF THE FREE AND THE HOME OF THE BRAVE.

FANOHGE CHAMORRO PUT I TANO' TA KANTA I MATUNA-NA GI TODU I LUGAT PARA I ONRA, PARA I GLORIA ABIBA I ISLA SINPARAT. PARA I ONRA, PARA I GLORIA ABIBA I ISLA SINPARAT. TODU I TIEMPO I PAS PARA HITA YAN GINEN I LANGET NA BENDISION KONTRA I PILIGRU NA'FANSAFO HAM YU'OS PRUTEHI I ISLAN GUAM KONTRA I PILIGRU NA'FANSAFO HAM YU'OS PRUTEHI I ISLAN GUAM.

CHIEF JUSTICE KATHERINE MARAMAN: I INVITE PA'A TAOTAO TA'NO FOR THE BENDISION.

PA'A TAOTAO TA'NO: O ASAINA O ANITI NI NUMAI HAM MINESGON YAN MINAOLEK O ASAINA O ANITI NI NUMAI HAM MINESGON YAN MINAOLEK O ASAINA O ANITI NI NUMAI HAM MINESGON YAN MINAOLEK SAINA SAINAN MAMI NA'I HAM SINAT PA' ENGUADDOK I TANO' MU' SAINA SAINAN MAMI HATME HAM YA' NA FITME' I LATTEN MAMI SAINA SAINAN MAMI NA'I HAM SINAT PA' ENGUADDOK I TANO' MU' SAINA SAINAN MAMI HATME HAM YA' NA FITME' I LATTEN MAMI SUSTENI I PA'AN MAMI GUINI I TANO'.

CHIEF JUSTICE KATHERINE MARAMAN: THANK YOU I CALL ON SENATOR TERLAJE TO LEAD THE INIFRESI.

SENATOR THERESE TERLAJE: INIFRESI GINEN I MÅS TAKHELO' GI HINASSO-KU, I MÅS TAKHALOM GI KURASON-HU, YAN I MÅS FIGO' NA NINA'SIÑÅ-HU, HU UFRESEN MAISA YU' PARA BAI HU PRUTEHI YAN HU DIFENDE I HINENGGE, I KOTTURA, I LENGGUÅHI, I AIRE, I HANOM, YAN I TANO' CHAMORU NI' IRENSIÅ-KU DIRECHO GINEN AS YU'OS TÅTA.ESTE HU AFITMA GI HILO' I BIPBLIA YAN I BANDERÅ-HU, I BANDERAN GUÅHAN.

CHIEF JUSTICE KATHERINE MARAMAN: REVEREND FATHER PAUL GOFIGAN PLEASE DELIVER THE INVOCATION.

REVEREND FATHER PAUL GOFIGAN: IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER, AND OF THE SON, AND OF THE HOLY SPIRIT ALMIGHTY AND GRACIOUS GOD FROM THE DAWN OF CREATION YOU CREATED MAN AND WOMAN IN YOUR OWN LIKENESS AND SET THEM IN PLACE TO HAVE DOMINION OVER WHAT YOU HAVE CREATED APPOINTING THEM STEWARDS OF THE EARTH AND SKY LAND AND SEA AND TO BE FRUITFUL AND TO MULTIPLY AND IT WAS ALL GOOD WE NOW STAND BEFORE YOU ASKING TO INVADE THESE SACRED HALLS WITH YOUR GRACE AND SPIRIT SO THAT THOSE WHO ARE STEWARDS OF LAWS MAY LIKE YOU FASHION AND FRAME THESE LAWS WITH YOUR LOVING MERCY AND COMPASSION TO TO PROTECT THE PEOPLE OF OUR ISLAND ESPECIALLY THE DESTITUTE THE DISABLED THE DISENFRANCHISED AND THE DEFENSELESS MAY THEIR DISCOURSES AND DELIBERATIONS BE GUIDED BY YOUR SPIRIT OF COUNSEL AND FORTITUDE THAT WILLS NOTHING BUT THE GOOD FOR THE OTHER IMBUE THEM WITH YOUR SPIRIT OF WISDOM AND KNOWLEDGE TO SEE THINGS THE WAY YOU SEE IT AND THUS LEGISLATE RIGHTEOUSLY AND JUSTLY ALWAYS USING TRUTH AS THEIR GUIDE INFUSE THEM DEAR LORD WITH YOUR SPIRIT OF UNDERSTANDING TO CREATE LEGISLATION THAT REACHES OUT TO THE NEEDS OF ALL MEN AND WOMEN OF EVERY RACE EVERY TONGUE EVERY RELIGION EVERY IDEOLOGY EVERY CULTURE AND SUBCULTURE AT EVERY STAGE OF LIFE ALL ACCORDING TO YOUR LOVING WILL IMPART UNTO THEM YOUR SPIRIT OF PIETY BY WHICH THEY MAY WALK HUMBLY WITH YOU IN THE STERN WAY OF DUTY AND HONOR AND THUS BE COURAGEOUS TO FACE THEIR GIGANTIC TASKS WITH SERENITY AND CHARITY YES O LORD POUR FORTH WE BESEECH YOU YOUR GRACE INTO THE HEARTS OF ALL OF US ESPECIALLY THE MEMBERS OF THE THIRTY FIFTH GUAM LEGISLATURE THAT THEY MAY BE ALWAYS TRUE TO YOU TO OUR ISLAND TO OUR COUNTRY OF WHICH WE ARE ALL STEWARDS WE ASK THIS THROUGH CHRIST OUR LORD WHO LIVES AND REIGNS WITH YOU IN THE UNITY OF THE HOLY SPIRIT ONE GOD FOR EVER AND EVER AMEN.

CHIEF JUSTICE KATHERINE MARAMAN: PLEASE BE SEATED PLEASE BE SEATED SENATORS ELECT UPON HEARING YOUR NAME ON THE ROLL CALL PLEASE PRESENT YOUR CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION TO ME WILLIAM MENDIOLA CASTRO REGINE BISCOE LEE DR. KELLY G MARSH JAMES C MOYLAN LOUISE BORJA MUNA TINA ROSE MUNA BARNES TELENA CRUZ NELSON SABINA F.FLORES CLYNT B RUDGELL JOE S SAN AUGUSTIN AMANDA L SHELTON TELO T TAITAGUE JOSE TERLAJE THERESE M TERLAJE MARY CAMACHO TORRES THE CERTIFICATES OF ELECTION ARE IN ORDER AND AT THIS TIME I WILL ADMINISTER THE OATH OF OFFICE SENATORS ELECT RAISE YOUR RIGHT HANDS AND PLEASE REPEAT AFTER ME I SOLEMNLY SWEAR IN THE PRESENCE OF ALMIGHTY GOD THAT I WILL WELL AND FAITHFULLY SUPPORT THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES THE LAWS OF THE UNITED STATES APPLICABLE TO GUAM AND THE LAWS OF GUAM AND THAT I WILL CONSCIENTIOUSLY AND IMPARTIALLY DISCHARGE MY DUTIES AS A MEMBER OF LIHESLATURAN GUÂHAN CONGRATULATIONS SENATORS PLEASE REMAIN STANDING FOR THE PINNING THANK YOU YOU MAY BE SEATED SENATORS IT IS NOW TIME TO TAKE UP THE BUSINESS OF THE ELECTION OF THE SPEAKER OF THE LEGISLATURE ARE THERE ANY NOMINATIONS FOR THE POSITION OF SPEAKER SENATOR NELSON YOUR HONOR I NOMINATE SENATOR TINA ROSE BARNES

FOR THE POSITION OF SPEAKER OF *I MINA'TRENTAI SINKGO LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN,* THE 35TH GUAM LEGISLATURE SENATOR TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES DO YOU ACCEPT THE NOMINATION.

**SENATOR TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES:** I ACCEPT ARE THERE ANY MORE NOMINATIONS SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN YOU'RE RECOGNIZED.

SENATOR JOE SAN AGUSTIN: YOUR HONOR I MOVE TO CLOSE THE NOMINATION FOR SPEAKER.

CHIEF JUSTICE KATHERINE MARAMAN: THERE IS A MOTION ON THE FLOOR TO CLOSE THE NOMINATIONS FOR SPEAKER ARE THERE ANY OBJECTIONS THERE BEING NO OBJECTIONS THE MOTION CARRIES THE NOMINATIONS ARE CLOSED ON THE QUESTION OF THE ELECTION OF THE SPEAKER DOES ANY SENATOR REQUEST A ROLL CALL

VOTE THERE BEING NO SUCH REQUEST IF YOU ARE VOTING IN FAVOR OF SENATOR TINA ROSE MUNA BARNES TO SERVE AS SPEAKER PLEASE SIGNIFY BY RAISING YOUR HAND.

(ALL SENATORS RAISE THEIR HANDS)

CHIEF JUSTICE KATHERINE MARAMAN: ALL SENATORS HAVE RAISED THEIR HANDS SENATOR TINA ROSE MUNA BARNES HAS RECEIVED UNANIMOUS CONSENT TO SERVE OF THIS AS THE SPEAKER OF AMINA TREINTA CINCO NOW THE HISTOR AND JUAN THE 35TH GUAM LEGISLATURE PLEASE WELCOME SPEAKER MUNIYA BARNES TO COME FORWARD AND GIVE HER INAUGURAL ADDRESS.

SPEAKER TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES: HÅFA ADAI MAANA SI YU'OS (GOOD MORNING AND GOD BLESS YOU) MANY OF GOD'S BLESSINGS TO EACH AND EVERY ONE OF YOU AS WE CELEBRATE 75 YEARS OF FREEDOM ON THIS ISLAND I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO RECOGNIZE THOSE FROM OUR GREATEST GENERATION OUR SINAS (ELDERS) MANY OF WHOM ARE GRACING US TODAY SO TO ALL OUR SAINAS UN DANGKULU SI YU'OS MA'ÂSE (ELDERS THANK YOU VERY MUCH) FOR THE FREEDOMS THAT WE LIVE TODAY GOVERNOR-ELECT LOU LEON GUERRERO FIRST GENTLEMAN ATTORNEY JEFF COOK LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR-ELECT JOSHUA TENORIO CHIEF JUSTICE MARAMAN FELLOW JUSTICE AND MEMBERS OF THE DIPLOMATIC CORPS LADIES AND GENTLEMEN WE ALSO HAVE OUR MAYOR'S AND VICE MAYORS I UNDERSTAND ALL THE JUSTICES ARE HERE ALSO FORMER SPEAKER JOE T. AUGUSTIN FORMER SPEAKER B.J. CRUZ FORMER SPEAKER JUDITH WONPAT FORMER SPEAKER JOE SAN AGUSTIN WE HAVE ALL OUR MAYOR'S AND VICE MAYOR'S ARE IN THEIR HOUSE OUR ATTORNEY GENERAL ELECT LEVEEN CAMACHO FORMER FIRST LADY JOANNE CAMACHO GOVERNOR FORMER GOVERNOR FELIX THANK YOU FOR BEING HERE FORMER CONGRESSWOMAN MADELINE Z. BORDALLO JUSTICE CARBILLIDO AND MAYOR'S AND ALL LADIES AND GENTLEMEN I JUST WANT TO SAY WELCOME TO THE GUAM CONGRESS BUILDING AND TO THE FIRST SITTING OF THE 35TH GUAM LEGISLATURE BEFORE I BEGIN I WANT TO ALSO ACKNOWLEDGE THE PRESENCE OF SOME OF OUR OFF ISLAND DIGNITARIES IN THE HOUSE TOMMY REMENGESAU JR. OF THE REPUBLIC OF PALAU AND HIS WIFE FIRST LADY DEBBIE AMBASSADOR WALLACE M G. CHOW OF TAIWAN - ALL MY BROTHERS AND SISTERS OF THE MARIANAS AND MICRONESIA WE'RE UP IN THE BALCONY PLEASE ACKNOWLEDGE THEM AND MY SENATORS AND MY SENATORS FROM FSM AND PALAU THANK YOU UN DANKOLO SI YUUS MASSE FOR BEING HERE WITH ME THIS MORNING LADIES AND GENTLEMEN I WANT TO TELL YOU THAT THERE ARE THERE ARE FRIENDS OF GUAM FRIENDS OF OURS AND I'M VERY GRATEFUL THAT THEY HAVE TRAVELED TO BE HERE WITH US TODAY AS I STAND HERE I REALIZED THAT NO ONE COMES TO THE OFFICE OF SPEAKER ALONE FOR THIS REASON I AM THANKFUL FOR THE TRUST OF MY COLLEAGUES AND I FULLY UNDERSTAND THE SPECIAL RESPONSIBILITIES THAT YOU HAVE GIVEN ME I ALSO WANT TO THANK THOSE WHO SERVE WITH ME THOUGH THEIR NAMES HAVE NEVER APPEARED ON A BALLOT MY MOTHER ANN WHO ALL ALTHOUGH ISN'T HERE TODAY HAS ALWAYS BEEN MY STRENGTH SHE'S STILL RECOVERING IN ARIZONA MY HUSBAND JAKE WHO HAS ALWAYS BEEN MY SAFE PLACE TO MY CHILDREN AND GRANDCHILDREN WHO ARE MY JOY AND SPECIAL THOUGHTS GO OUT FOR MY SON COBY WHO WAS JUST RECENTLY DEPLOYED MY SIBLINGS AND MY EXTENDED FAMILY AND A VERY SPECIAL PRAYER FOR MY BROTHER JASON WHO WAS WATCHING FROM HEAVEN WITH MY DAD BILL ON GUAM AS IT IS WITH MANY ISLAND HOMES FAMILY HAS A SPECIAL MEANING FAMILY IS MOON MORE THAN BLOOD IT IS ALSO ABOUT WHO WE ARE BOUND BY MY CHOICE I KNOW THAT I WOULDN'T BE HERE TODAY WITHOUT THE HELP LOVE AND SUPPORT OF MANY BUT TWO PEOPLE WHO GAVE ME A START STAND OUT IN PARTICULAR IN THE MID-1990S A YOUNG WOMAN WAS FOCUSED ON HER WORK AT THE PUBLIC DEFENDER'S OFFICE HER DREAMS WERE SIMPLE MAKE ENDS MEET TAKE CARE OF HER FAMILY GIVE HER LIFE MEANING THROUGH THE SERVICE OF OTHERS THEN ONE DAY SHE WAS CALLED TO ADELUP WITH LITTLE WARNING OR TIME TO THINK A GOVERNOR OF GUAM ASKED HER TO SERVE AS DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF INTEGRATED SERVICES FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES THIS A AGENCY CREATED BY THEN SENATOR LOU LEON GUERRERO INTEGRATED MANY FRACTURED SERVICES AND PROGRAMS CREATED TO HELP PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES WHEN I ASKED WHY SHE AMONG ALL OTHER OPTIONS HAD BEEN CHOSEN THE GOVERNOR'S RESPONSE WAS SIMPLE AN AGENCY LIKE THAT NEEDS A BIG HEART I WAS THAT WOMAN LADIES AND GENTLEMEN AND I GOT MY START IN PUBLIC SERVICE BECAUSE OF GOVERNOR CARL TC GUITERREZ I WANT TO SAY GOVERNOR GUITERREZ AND FIRST LADY GERRY GUITERREZ I KNOW YOU'RE WATCHING CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR YOUR DAUGHTER'S NEWBORN BABIES AND I WANT TO SAY UN DÂNGKOLO NA SI YUUS MA'ÂSE (THANK YOU VERY MUCH) FOR GIVING ME THAT OPPORTUNITY IRONICALLY BEING SPEAKER IS LESS ABOUT SPEAKING AND MORE ABOUT LISTENING SPEAKERS LISTEN INTENTLY THEIR JOB IS TO HEAR BOTH SIDES OF A HEATED DEBATE AND ENFORCE THE RULES FAIRLY AT ITS CORE A SPEAKER'S ROLE IS TO ENSURE THAT EVERYONE IS HEARD EVEN THOSE WITH WHOM A SPEAKER PASSIONATELY DISAGREES ONLY IF THE RULES APPLY FAIRLY TO ALL ONLY AFTER EVERYONE HAS BEEN HEARD CAN ARGUMENT AND DEBATE BECOME CONSENSUS AND DECISION I KNOW WHAT IT MEANS TO TRULY HEAR SOMEONE AND HOW POWERFUL IT IS TO BE HEARD BY OTHERS THAT'S A LESSON I LEARNED FROM MY DAD MY MOTHER HAD NINE CHILDREN BUT IN MY

FATHER'S HOME I HAD AND STILL HAVE DOZENS OF BROTHERS AND SISTERS THAT WAS HIS NATURE OUR HOME WAS A PLACE WHERE EVERYONE COULD COME TOGETHER AND NO ONE GOT LEFT BEHIND ONCE A GROUP OF VILLAGE ELDERS BROUGHT A YOUNG BOY TO MY FATHER HE WAS BEYOND NORMAL DISCIPLINE HE WOULD LISTEN TO NO ONE HE WOULD BREAK CURFEW HE WOULD COMMIT ACTS OF PETTY MISCHIEF AND PUSH THE DOUBTS JUST AS FAR AS HE COULD LIKE HE HAD SO OFTEN BEFORE MY FATHER ACCEPTED HIM INTO OUR HOME AFTER MONTHS OF RELENTLESS LOVE UNDERSTANDING CHOICES WITH CHORES AND RESPONSIBILITIES MY BROTHER CHANGED HE WAS PART OF A FAMILY THAT LISTENED TO HIM AND HE KNEW IT FAMILYTAUGHT ME OTHER LESSONS AS WELL THAT WITHOUT GOD WE HAVE NOTHING THAT WE ARE ALL EACH OTHER'S KEEPER AND THAT WE SHOULD BE HONEST EVEN WHEN IT HURTS THESE LESSONS LADIES AND GENTLEMEN SIMPLE AS THEY ARE AREN'T UNIQUE TO THE HOME OF BILL AND AND MUNIYA THERE ARE ALL THE CORNERSTONE OF EVERY ISLAND FAMILY THEY ARE THE LEGACY OF OUR OLDEST VALUE RESPECT RESPECTU BUT WE WHO SIT HERE ARE THE HEIRS TO ANOTHER LEGACY AS WELL WE SIT IN THE HISTORIC LIGHT OF THE MEN AND WOMEN WHO WALK THESE HALLS DECADES BEFORE US THEY SPOKE OUT AGAINST INJUSTICE AND STOOD UP TO FIGHT IT AND WHEN THAT DIDN'T WORK THEY WALKED OUT AND THE WORLD PAID ATTENTION THEY WANTED GOVERNMENT OFF THEIR BACK AND ON THEIR SIDE THEY WANTED LEADERS WITH IMAGINATION NOT JUST PETTY INSULTS THEY WANTED THOSE IN POWER TO KEEP THEIR PROMISES OR GET OUT OF THE WAY FOR THOSE WHO WOULD THESE HOPES ARE NOT SO DIFFERENT FROM THE HOPES OF OUR PEOPLE OUR PROBLEMS ARE WELL-KNOWN BECAUSE THEY HAVE BEEN THE SAME FOR SO LONG WE HAVE TOO MUCH CRIME ON OUR STREETS AND TOO MUCH HOPELESSNESS IN OUR HOMES WE HAVE TOO MUCH DEBT AND FAR TOO LITTLE INVESTMENT IN AN ECONOMY THAT CREATES JOBS AND INSTEAD OF A DREAMING ABOUT WHAT MIGHT BE AS ADULTS FAR TOO MANY OF OUR CHILDREN LIVE IN FEAR OF ABUSE AND NEGLECT YES OUR PROBLEMS ARE WELL KNOWN AND THEY ARE GREAT BUT SO IS OUR CAPACITY TO MEET THEM WE CAN REPAIR OUR ROADS WE CAN REBUILD OUR SCHOOLS WE CAN FIGHT CRIME AND WE CAN DEFEND OUR PORTS AGAINST A RISING TIDE OF DRUGS BUT TO ACCOMPLISH THESE GOALS WE MUST REBUILD OUR PEOPLE'S TRUST IN THOSE THEY ELECT TO PUBLIC LIFE WE MUST REFORM OUR GOVERNMENT AND RE-ENERGIZE OUR ECONOMY AND BECAUSE OF OUR PEOPLE I BELIEVE WE CAN THIS BODY BENEFITS FROM SENATORS READY TO DO THEIR JOB WE HAVE AN ARMY OFFICER TRAINED TO PROTECT ON OUR NATION'S MOST VITAL ASSET IN CYBERSPACE A WOMAN WHO UNDERSTANDS DUTY HONOR AND A CALL TO SERVICE SENATOR TELENA CRUZ NELSON DEDICATED HER PREVIOUS TERM TO THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE LANDLORD AND TENANT RENTAL ACT AND THE ADOPTION OF PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS FOR THOSE WHO WOULD LEAD OUR PUBLIC SAFETY AGENCIES WE ARE BLESSED TO HAVE THE ENERGY IDEAS AND PASSION OF SENATOR AMANDA SHELTON SENATOR SABINA PEREZ AND SENATOR KELLY MARSH TAITANO WOMEN WHOSE IDEAS WILL BRING LIFE-SAVING EQUIPMENT TO GMH SAFEGUARD OUR ENVIRONMENT AND REIMAGINE OUR ECONOMY WE ARE ROOTED IN THE EXPERIENCE OF SENATOR THERESE TERLAJE A WOMAN WHOSE LIFE HAS BEEN COMMITTED TO THE ADVANCEMENT OF THE CHAMORU PEOPLE THE PROTECTION OF ITS SACRED LANDS AND THE FAIR APPLICATION OF OUR LAWS WE ARE STRONGER BECAUSE OF SENATOR RÉGINE BISCOE LEE A MOTHER WHO FOUGHT TO PROTECT GUAM'S CHILDREN WITH THE FIRST LOCAL APPROPRIATION TO CHILD PROTECTIVE SERVICES IN YEARS WE ARE BETTER BECAUSE OF SENATOR JOS SAN AUGUSTIN SENATOR "PEDO" TERLAJE AND SENATOR CLYNT RIDGELL MEN WHOSE LIVES HAVE BEEN SPENT ENFORCING THE LAW BUILDING RESILIENT COMMUNITIES AND TELLING TRUTH TO POWER LEGISLATING IS NOT IN THE IS NOT AN INDIVIDUAL SPORT IN THIS HALL ON THIS FLOOR VERY LITTLE IS WE ALL SHARE THE SAME ISLAND AND LOVE THE SAME HOME WE ALL WANT TO SEE IT BETTER THAT IS WHERE OUR WORK STARTS AND WHERE WE MUST ALWAYS RETURN AND DESPITE WHATEVER LABEL WE WEAR ON ELECTION DAY OUR PROBLEMS ARE NOT DEMOCRATIC CLOCK PROBLEMS OR REPUBLICAN PROBLEMS WE WILL NEED THE GRACE AND CALMING WISDOM OF SENATOR MARY TORRES AND HER BOUNDLESS WORK ETHIC AS WELL AS THE BUSINESS SAVVY AND INNOVATION OF SENATOR JIM MOYLAN WE MUST DRAW ON THE HEART AND COMMITMENT OF SENATOR LOUISE MUÑA AND CELL AND SENATOR TELO TAITAGUE TO EXPAND SERVICES FOR THOSE BATTLING CANCER AND TO ENSURE THAT THOSE WHO NEED MEDICAL CANNABIS GET IT NOW WE WILL COUNT ON THE EXPERIENCE OF SENATOR WILL CASTRO TO HELP US ENHANCE EDUCATION AND SEVEN AND SEND EVEN MORE OF OUR KIDS TO IVY LEAGUE UNIVERSITIES FOR DECADES LEADERS FROM BOTH PARTIES AVOIDED TOUGH CALLS AND KICKED THE CAN FURTHER AND FURTHER DOWN THE ROAD I KNOW THAT WE WON'T GET IT RIGHT 100% OF THE TIME BUT PARTNERSHIP ALWAYS WORKS MORE THAN THE PARTISANSHIP AND WE ARE ALL IN THIS TOGETHER ALWAYS WORKS BETTER THAN YOU'RE ON YOUR OWN I BELIEVE THAT WE CAN REFORM OUR GOVERNMENT REBUILD THE FOUNDATIONS OF OUR PUBLIC TRUST AND REIMAGINE OUR ECONOMY I BELIEVE THAT BECAUSE I BELIEVE IN YOU AND IN THE WOMAN WHO WE HAVE ELECTED OUR MAGA'HÅGA (GOVERNOR) TO REFORM OUR GOVERNMENT TO MAKE IT WORK IN THE 21ST CENTURY WE NEED TO REMEMBER WHOM WE GOVERNED FOR WHEN SMALL BUSINESSES CAN'T COMPETE BECAUSE THEY ARE CONFUSED BY THE POLICY WE CREATE IN THIS HALL WHEN PEOPLE SPENT A DAY IN LINE INSTEAD OF A DAY AT WORK WHEN GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES GIVE UP BECAUSE THEY BELIEVE NOTHING WILL EVER CHANGE WHEN

THEIR BEST IDEA IS TO INCREASE EFFICIENCY IMPROVE SERVICES OR INSPIRE SAVINGS ARE LOST BECAUSE THEY ARE IGNORED WE MUST DO BETTER REFORMING OUR GOVERNMENT WILL ALSO REQUIRE US TO MAKE CHANGE OUR FRIEND AND NOT OUR ENEMY WE MUST DO WHAT IS HARD AND WE MUST DO IT TOGETHER IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT WE INVEST IN OUR WORKFORCE IN THEIR JOBS EDUCATION OF FUTURES AND AT THE SAME TIME THAT WE CUT OUR GROWING DEBT AND THAT WE END OUR STRUCTURAL SHORTFALL THIS WILL NOT BE EASY IT WILL AS SPEAKER BENJAMIN CRUZ ONCE SAID REQUIRES SACRIFICE NOT SACRIFICE FOR SACRIFICE SAKE BUT SACRIFICE FOR OUR SAKE FOR THE SAKE OF OUR CHILDREN AND FOR THE SAKE OF OUR CHILDREN'S CHILDREN TO REBUILD THE FOUNDATIONS OF OUR PUBLIC TRUST OUR CHOICES MUST BE OPEN HONEST AND SUBJECT TO THE WHITE-HOT LIGHT OF SCRUTINY AND ABOVE ALL ELSE WE MUST BE BOLD ENOUGH TO CHANGE AN OLD ADAGE SAYS TRUSTS CAN TAKE A LIFETIME TO BUILD AND A MINUTE TO DESTROY WHATEVER IT TAKES HOWEVER LONG IT MAY REQUIRE LET US ALWAYS BE WORTHY OF OUR PUBLIC'S TRUST TO IMAGINE REIMAGINE OUR ECONOMY LET US REMEMBER THAT YOUNG DOES NOT MEAN UNABLE AND THAT TRADITION DOES NOT ALWAYS EQUAL TRUTH AS EACH OF YOU WORK TO CRAFT FIRST BILLS KNOW THAT A NEW LAW ISN'T ALWAYS THE ANSWER THE GUAM CODE ANNOTATED IS FILLED WITH PROVISIONS THAT HAVE NEVER BEEN ENACTED LEGISLATION INTENDED TO ATTRACT NEW INDUSTRIES TO CAPTURE REVENUES HELD IN BLACK MARKETS AND CUT COSTS FOR MORE THAN A DECADE THE WISDOM OF OUR PEOPLE CHOSE THE GOVERNOR FROM ONE PARTY AND A LEGISLATURE FROM ANOTHER THAT IS NOT THE CASE TODAY MADAM GOVERNOR-ELECT LOU LEON GUERRERO AND LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR ELECT JOSHUA TENORIO WE WANT COLLABORATION INSTEAD OF CONFLICT WE WANT TO SOLVE PROBLEMS AND NOT LAY BLAME AND WE KNOW THAT OUR PEOPLE OF GUAM WANT THAT TO THOUGH WE SHARE THE SAME VALUES AND HOLD TO THE SAME PARTY AND CONSIDER EACH OTHER FAMILY OUR ROLES DO DIFFER THE LEGISLATURE IS A SEPARATE CO-EOUAL BRANCH OF GOVERNMENT WE KNOW THAT A HALLMARK OF ANY GOOD FRIENDSHIP IS TO IS THE ABILITY TO TELL EACH OTHER THE TRUTH THIS MEANS WE WILL EXERCISE RESPONSIBLE OVERSIGHT WE WILL PASS A CONSERVATIVE BUDGET WE WILL EXERCISE THE POWER OF THE PURSE TO BENEFIT OUR PEOPLE THIS IS OUR SACRED RESPONSIBILITY AND NO ONE CAN BE HARDER ON THOSE THEY LOVE THAN FAMILY A COMMUNITY LEADER STATED IN A 2012 SPEECH HISTORICALLY POLITICS HAVE BEEN DOMINATED BY MEN AND THROUGH THE YEARS WOMEN HAVE BEEN MAKING A GREATER PRESENCE THERE IS A NEED FOR WHAT FOR WOMEN REPRESENTATION AND NO ONE CAN BETTER ADVANCE THE INTEREST OF WOMEN THAN WOMEN THEMSELVES SHE ADDED MANY OF OUR PAST AND PRESENT WOMEN SENATORS HAVE BEEN SUCCESSFUL BUT WE NEED TO HAVE GREATER REPRESENTATION WOMEN IN POLITICS ON GUAM HAVE IMPROVED OUR REPRESENTATION BUT IT IS NOT THERE YET THE MOST WE HAVE HAD IN THE LEGISLATURE IS 29% REPRESENTATION AND YET WE MAKE UP 51.8% OF THE ELECTORATE WE HAVE HAD THE FIRST FEMALE SPEAKER WE HAVE NOT HAD A FEMALE GOVERNOR WE HAVE MADE STRIKES BUT WE NEED TO WORK HARDER THE WOMEN WHO WROTE THOSE WORDS BELIEVED IN THEM SO MUCH AND SHE DECIDED TO RUN FOR GOVERNOR HERSELF AND SHE WON TODAY LADIES AND GENTLEMEN THAT 25 29% IS MORE THAN DOUBLING TO 67% IN THE LEGISLATURE TODAY WE HAVE MADE HISTORY BUT LET US NOT FORGET THAT WE ARE JOINING THE RANKS OF PIONEERS WHO HAVE SET THE STANDARD THAT WE UPHOLD ROSA AGUIGUI REYES MARIANA LUJAN CYNTHIA TORRES LÁGRIMAS UNTALAN CONCEPCION BARRETT CECILIA BAMBA ELIZABETH ARRIOLA CANDELARIA RIOS AND IN AND IN ADDITION TO POLITICS POLITICS AGUEDA JOHNSTON GLORIA NELSON IGNACIA BORDALLO BUTLER AND MARIA PALOMA ADA WE ARE ALSO BLESSED STILL TO STILL HAVE THE FRIENDSHIPS AND GUIDANCE FROM SPEAKER JUDI WONPAT AND CONGRESSWOMAN MADELINE Z. BORDALLO ALL THESE WOMAN'S SACRIFICED TO PAVE THE WAY FOR THEIR DAUGHTERS AND EACH OF US HERE TODAY MAKING HISTORY WITH A MAJORITY OF WOMEN IN THE LEGISLATURE A FEMALE GOVERNOR A FEMALE CHIEF JUSTICE A FEMALE FEDERAL JUDGE A FEMALE PRESIDENT OF THE MAYOR'S COUNCIL OF GUAM THAT IN ITSELF SPEAKS VOLUMES BUT FOR ME THAT IS NOT ENOUGH HISTORY IS BEING MADE EVERY DAY LET US WORK TOGETHER CONTINUE TO MAKE HISTORY TAKE OUR ISLAND TO HEIGHTS THAT SHE HAS NEVER REACHED BEFORE IN CLOSING I AM REMINDED OF A STATEMENT PRESIDENT OBAMA MADE IN HIS FINAL DAYS IN OFFICE I THINK OF THIS JOB AS BEING A RELAY RUNNER YOU TAKE THE BATON YOU RUN YOUR BEST RACE AND HOPEFULLY BY THE TIME YOU HAND IT OFF YOU'RE A LITTLE FURTHER AHEAD YOU'VE MADE A LITTLE PROGRESS I WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT HANDOFF IS WELL EXECUTED BECAUSE ULTIMATELY WE'RE ALL ON THE SAME TEAM TEAM GUAM UN DÂNGKOLO NA SI YU'OS MA'ÂSE SI YU'OS UN BENIDISI HAMYU TODOS (THANK YOU VERY MUCH AND GOD BLESS YOU) GOD BLESS US ALL AND EACH AND EVERY ONE OF YOU ARE ALL VIPS IN MY HEART SAINA MA'ÂSE (HAVE MERCY ON ME). SORRY MEMBERS WE WILL BEGIN WITH THE NOMINATION OF VICE SPEAKER SENATOR AMANDA SHELTON YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

**SENATOR AMANDA SHELTON:** *SI YU'OS MA'ÂSE* (THANK YOU) MADAM SPEAKER I NOMINATE SENATOR TELENA CRUZ NELSON TO SERVE AS THE VICE SPEAKER OF *I MINA'TRENTAI SINGKO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN*, THE THIRTY-FIFTH GUAM LEGISLATURE.

SPEAKER TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES: SENATOR NELSON DO YOU ACCEPT.

SENATOR TELENA CRUZ NELSON: HUNGGAN (YES).

SPEAKER TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES: ARE THERE ANY MORE NOMINATIONS SENATOR RÉGINE BISCOE LEE.

SENATOR RÉGINE BISCOE LEE: MADAM SPEAKER I MOVE TO CLOSE THE NOMINATION FOR VICE SPEAKER.

SPEAKER TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES: THERE IS A MOTION TO CLOSE THE NOMINATION FOR VICE SPEAKER ARE THERE ANY OBJECTIONS SEEING THAT THERE ARE NO OBJECTIONS THE MOTION CARRIES AND THE NOMINATIONS ARE CLOSED ON THE QUESTION OF THE ELECTION OF THE VICE SPEAKER ALL THOSE IN FAVOR OF SENATOR TELENA CRUZ NELSON TO SERVE AS VICE SPEAKER PLEASE SIGNIFY BY RAISING YOUR HAND.

(ALL SENATORS RAISE THEIR HANDS)

**SPEAKER TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES:** LADIES AND GENTLEMEN SENATOR TELENA CRUZ NELSON HAS RECEIVED UNANIMOS CONSENT TO SERVE AS VICE SPEAKER OF *I MINA'TRENTAI SINGKO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN*. ON THE ELECTION OF LEGISLATIVE SECRETARY SENATOR RÉGINE BISCOE LEE YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

**SENATOR RÉGINE BISCOE LEE:** *SI YU'OS MA'ÂSE* (THANK YOU) MADAM SPEAKER MADAM SPEAKER I NOMINATE SENATOR AMANDA LEE SHELTON TO SERVE AS LEGISLATIVE SECRETARY OF *I MINA'TRENTAI SINGKO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN*. THE 35TH GUAM LEGISLATURE.

SPEAKER TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES: SENATOR SHELTON DO YOU ACCEPT THE NOMINATION.

SENATOR AMANDA SHELTON: I DO.

SPEAKER TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES: THANK YOU VERY MUCH ARE THERE ANY MORE NOMINATIONS SENATOR TELENA CRUZ NELSON YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

**VICE SPEAKER TELENA CRUZ NELSON:** *SI YU'OS MA'ÂSE* (THANK YOU) MADAM SPEAKER MADAM SPEAKER I MOVE TO CLOSE THE NOMINATION FOR LEGISLATIVE SECRETARY.

SPEAKER TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES: THERE IS A MOTION ON THE FLOOR TO CLOSE THE NOMINATION FOR LEGISLATIVE SECRETARY ARE THERE ANY OBJECTIONS SEEING THAT THERE ARE NO OBJECTIONS THE MOTION CARRIES THE NOMINATIONS ARE CLOSED ON THE QUESTION OF THE ELECTION OF SENATOR AMANDA L. SURE SHELTON TO SERVE AS LEGISLATIVE SECRETARY FOR ALL THOSE IN FAVOR PLEASE SIGNIFY BY RAISING YOUR HAND.

(ALL SENATORS RAISE THEIR HANDS)

**SPEAKER TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES:** SENATOR AMANDA L SHELTON HAS RECEIVED UNANIMOUS CONSENT TO SERVE AS LEGISLATIVE SECRETARY OF *I MINA'TRENTAI SINGKO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN*, THE 35TH GUAM LEGISLATURE CONGRATULATIONS ON THE NOMINATION OF LEGISLATIVE ATTACHÉS SENATOR JOSE "PEDO" TERLAJEYOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

**SENATOR JOSE "PEDO" TERLAJE:** MADAM SPEAKER I MOVE TO NOMINATE NOMINATE MISS RENNAE VANESSA CAMACHO MENO TO SERVE AS CLERKS OF THE LEGISLATURE MR. THOMAS J. UNSIOG TO SERVE AS SERGEANT AT ARM AND REVEREND FATHER PAUL GOFIGAN TO SERVE AS LEGISLATIVE CHAPLAIN TO FOR THE 35TH GUAM LEGISLATURE.

**SPEAKER TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES:** THANK YOU SENATOR TERLAJE ARE THERE ANY MORE NOMINATIONS SENATOR MARSH (TAITANO) YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

SENATOR KELLY MARSH (TAITANO), PH.D.: MADAM SPEAKER I MOVED TO CLOSE THE NOMINATION OF THE LEGISLATIVE ATTACHÉS.

SPEAKER TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES: THANK YOU VERY MUCH SENATOR MARSH (TAITANO) THERE IS A MOTION ON THE FLOOR TO CLOSE NOMINATION OF THE LEGISLATIVE A TACHELES ATTACHÉS ARE THERE ANY OBJECTIONS SEEING THAT THERE ARE NO OBJECTIONS THE MOTION CARRIES AND THE NOMINATIONS ARE CLOSED ON THE QUESTION OF THE ELECTION OF THE LEGISLATIVE ATTACHÉS NAMELY MISS RENNAE VANESSA CAMACHO MENO TO SERVE AS CLERK OF THE LEGISLATURE MR. THOMAS J UNSIOG TO SERVE AS SERGEANT AT ARMS AND REVEREND FATHER PAUL GOFIGAN TO SERVE AS OUR LEGISLATIVE CHAPLAIN ALL THOSE IN FAVOR OF THE NAMED ATTACHÉS PLEASE SIGNIFY BY RAISING YOUR HANDS.

(ALL SENATORS RAISE THEIR HANDS)

SPEAKER TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES: THE ATTACHÉS HAVE RECEIVED UNANIMOUS CONSENT WILL THE ATTACHÉS COME BEFORE THE CHAIR RAISE YOUR RIGHT HAND AND REPEAT AFTER ME.

SPEAKER TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES: I STATE YOUR NAME SOLEMNLY SWEAR IN THE PRESENCE OF ALMIGHTY GOD THAT I WILL WELL AND FAITHFULLY SUPPORT THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES THE LAWS OF THE UNITED STATES APPLICABLE TO GUAM AND THE LAWS OF GUAM AND THAT I WILL CONSCIENTIOUSLY AND IMPARTIALLY DISCHARGE MY DUTIES STATE YOUR POSITION OF THE OF I MINA'TRENTAI SINGKO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN CONGRATULATIONS ATTACHÉS FOR THE 35TH GUAM LEGISLATURE THANK YOU VERY MUCH AND AT THIS TIME ON THE ADOPTION OF THE STANDING RULES SENATORS SABINA PEREZ YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

**SENATOR SABINA FLORES PEREZ:** *SI YU'OS MA'ÂSE* (THANK YOU) MADAM SPEAKER I MOVE TO ADOPT THE STANDING RULES OF *I MINA'TRENTAI SINGKO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* THE 35TH GUAM LEGISLATURE.

**SPEAKER TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES:** *SI YU'OS MA'ÂSE* (THANK YOU) SENATOR PEREZ ON THE MOTION TO US ADOPT THE STANDING RULES OF *I MINA'TRENTAI SINGKO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÂHAN* THE 35TH GUAM LEGISLATURE ARE THERE ANY OBJECTIONS THERE ARE BEING NO OBJECTION MOTION CARRIES ON THE NOMINATION OF COMMITTEE CHAIRS SENATOR AM SENATOR AMANDA SHELTON YOU ARE RECOGNIZED AT THIS TIME.

SENATOR AMANDA SHELTON: SI YU'OS MA'ÂSE (THANK YOU) MADAM SPEAKER I NOMINATE THE FOLLOWING SENATORS TO CHAIR THE RESPECTIVE COMMITTEES COMMITTEE ON RULES SENATOR RÉGINE BISCOE LEE OFFICE OF FINANCE AND BUDGET SENATOR JOE S. SAN AGUSTIN COMMITTEE ON HEALTH TOURISM HISTORIC PRESERVATION LAND AND JUSTICE SENATOR THERESE M. TERLAJE COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AGRICULTURE MARITIME TRANSPORTATION POWER AND ENERGY UTILITIES AND EMERGENCY RESPONSE SENATOR CLYNT RIDGELL COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY BORDER SAFETY MILITARY AND VETERAN AFFAIRS MAYOR'S COUNCIL INFRASTRUCTURE AND PUBLIC TRANSIT SENATOR JOSE "PEDO" TERLAJE COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT REVENUE AND TAXATION AND PROCUREMENT SENATOR SABINA E. PEREZ COMMITTEE ON HERITAGE AND THE ARTS PARKS GUAM PRODUCTS HAGATÑA REVITALIZATION SELF-DETERMINATION AND REGIONAL AFFAIRS SENATOR DR. KELLY MARSH (TAITANO) COMMITTEE ON FEDERAL AND FOREIGN AFFAIRS TELECOMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY AND LABOR SENATOR RÉGINE BISCOE LEE COMMITTEE ON GENERAL GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS APPROPRIATIONS AND HOUSING SENATOR JOE S. SAN AGUSTIN COMMITTEE ON HIGHER EDUCATION AND THE ADVANCEMENT OF WOMEN YOUTH AND SENIOR CITIZENS SENATOR AMANDA L. SHELTON COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AIR TRANSPORTATION AND STATISTICS RESEARCH AND PLANNING SENATOR TELENA CRUZ NELSON AND COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ACCOUNTABILITY HUMAN RESOURCES AND THE GUAM BUILDUP SENATOR TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES.

**SPEAKER TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES:** *SI YU'OS MA'ÂSE* (THANK YOU) SENATOR SHELTON ARE THERE FURTHER NOMINATIONS SENATOR CLYNT RIDGELL YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

**SENATOR CLYNTON RIDGELL:** THERE WE GO MADAM SPEAKER I MOVE TO CLOSE THE NOMINATIONS OF COMMITTEE CHAIRS.

SPEAKER TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES: SI YU'OS MA'ÂSE (THANK YOU) SENATOR RIDGELL THERE'S A MOTION ON THE FLOOR TO CLOSE NOMINATION FOR COMMITTEE CHAIRS ARE THERE ANY OBJECTIONS NO OBJECTIONS SEEING THAT THERE ARE NO OBJECTIONS THE MOTION CARRIES AND THE NOMINATIONS ARE CLOSED ON THE QUESTION OF THE FOLLOWING ON THE FOLLOWING SENATORS TO SERVICE COMMITTEE CHAIRS WE HAVE COMMITTEE ON RULES SENATOR RÉGINE BISCOE LEE OFFICE OF FINANCE AND BUDGET SENATOR JOE S. SAN AGUSTIN COMMITTEE ON HEALTH TOURISM HISTORIC PRESERVATION LAND AND JUSTICE SENATOR THERESE M. TERLAJE COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AGRICULTURE MARITIME TRANSPORTATION POWER AND ENERGY UTILITIES AND EMERGENCY RESPONSE SENATOR CLYNT RIDGELL COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY BORDER SAFETY MILITARY AND VETERANS AFFAIRS MAYOR'S COUNCIL INFRA INFRASTRUCTURE AND PUBLIC TRANSIT SENATOR JOSE "PEDO" TERLAJE COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT REVENUE AND TAXATION AND PROCUREMENT SENATOR SABINA E. PEREZ COMMITTEE ON HERITAGE AND THE ARTS PARKS AND GUAM PRODUCTS HÅGATÑA REVITALIZATION SELF-DETERMINATION AND REGIONAL AFFAIRS SENATOR DR. KELLY MARSH (TAITANO) COMMITTEE ON FEDERAL FOREIGN AFFAIRS TELECOMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY AND LABOR SENATOR RÉGINE BISCOE LEE COMMITTEE ON GENERAL GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS APPROPRIATIONS AND HOUSING SENATOR JOE S. SAN AGUSTIN COMMITTEE ON HIGHER EDUCATION AND THE ADVANCEMENT OF WOMEN AND SENIOR CITIZENS SENATOR AMANDA L. SHELTON COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AIR TRANSPORTATION AND STATISTICS RESEARCH AND PLANNING SENATOR TELENA CRUZ NELSON AND COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ACCOUNTABILITY HUMAN RESOURCES AND THE GUAM BUILDUP SENATOR TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES ALL THOSE IN FAVOR PLEASE SIGNIFY BY RAISING YOUR HAND ARE THERE ANY OBJECTIONS THERE ARE BEING NO OBJECTIONS MOTION CARRIES.

(ALL SENATORS RAISE THEIR HANDS)

**SPEAKER TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES:** THERE HAS BEEN UNANIMOUS TO CONSENT TO THE CHAIRS HAS ANNOUNCED THE CHAIRS WILL NOW ENTERTAIN THE ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE LEGISLATIVE PARTY LEADERS SENATOR RÉGINE BISCOE LEE YOU HAVE A FEW ANNOUNCEMENTS.

**SENATOR RÉGINE BISCOE LEE:** *SI YU'OS MA'ÂSE* (THANK YOU) MADAM SPEAKER MADAM SPEAKER THE FOLLOWING LEGISLATIVE PARTY LEADER POSITIONS ARE MAJORITY LEADER SENATOR TELENA CRUZ NELSON ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER SENATOR AMANDA LEE SHELTON AND MAJORITY WHIP SENATOR AMANDA L. SHELTON *SI YU'OS MA'ÂSE* (THANK YOU).

**SPEAKER TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES:** *SI YU'OS MA'ÂSE* (THANK YOU) SENATOR LEE SENATOR CASTRO DO YOU HAVE ANY ANNOUNCEMENTS.

**SENATOR WIL CASTRO:** *SI YU'OS MA'ÅSE* (THANK YOU) MADAM SPEAKER MADAM SPEAKER FOR THE REPUBLICAN MINORITY SERVING AS THE ASSISTANT MINORITY LEADER SHALL BE SENATOR LOUISE BORJA MUÑA SERVING AS MINORITY WHIP SHALL BE SENATOR TELO TAITAGUE ASSISTANT WHIP SENATOR JAMES MOYLAN AND I'LL BE SERVING MY COLLEAGUES AS A MINORITY LEADER THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER.

**SPEAKER TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES:** THANK YOU SENATOR CASTRO AND NOW INVITE AT THIS TIME PASTOR WILLIAM J. SCHMIDT, JR. TO DELIVER OUR BENEDICTION AND I TO PLEASE EVERYBODY PLEASE RISE.

PASTOR WILLIAM J. SCHMIDT, JR.: WELL THAT'S A NICE BREAK THE APOSTLE PAUL INSTRUCTED US WHEN WRITING TO TIMOTHY FIRSTLY WE ARE INSTRUCTED TO PRAY FOR ALL THOSE WHO ARE IN AUTHORITY SO THAT WE MAY LIVE A PEACEABLE LIFE GOVERNOR-ELECT LOU LEON GUERRERO LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR ELECT JOSH TENORIO AND 35 35TH LEGISLATURE THE GUAM MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATION HAS ALREADY AND WILL CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR YOU LET US BOW OUR HEADS IN PRAYER HEAVENLY FATHER YOUR NAME IS HALLOWED YOU ARE GOOD AND YOU ARE GRACIOUS AND YOU ARE SOVEREIGN WE RECOGNIZE OUR NEED FOR YOUR INVOLVEMENT IN OUR LIVES AND ESPECIALLY CALL UPON YOUR DIVINE INTERVENTION OF WISDOM THAT WILL BE NEEDED BY THIS 35TH LEGISLATIVE BODY TO NOT ONLY ADDRESS URGENT AND IMPORTANT ISSUES AT HAND BUT TO BE GRANTED THE FORESIGHT FROM YOUR THRONE ROOM TO SEE THE ISSUES THAT NEED TO BE PLANNED FOR IN THE FORESEEABLE FUTURE AND EVEN BEYOND YOUR WORD TELLS US THAT A WISE MAN PREPARES FOR THINGS THAT HE SEES A WISDOM PREVAIL OVER THIS LEGISLATURE OVER OUR NEW GOVERNOR AND OUR LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR WE RECOGNIZE AS STATED BY THE LORD JESUS CHRIST THAT ALL AUTHORITY IS GIVEN TO US FROM ABOVE MAY EACH AND EVERY ONE WHO HAS BEEN TASKED TO CARRY THE MANTLE OF LEADERSHIP AS GOVERNOR SENATOR AND THE MANY OTHER PLACES OF LEADERSHIP LOOK TO YOU AS THE SOURCE OF ALL GODLY WISDOM WHICH IS FIRST PURE AND THEN PEACEABLE LORD WHEN ASKING SOLOMON WHAT HE WOULD ASK OF HIM HE ASKED YOU FOR WISDOM TO LEAD HIS PEOPLE MAY THIS 35TH LEGISLATURE OF GUAM BODIES SEEK YOUR WISDOM AND GUIDANCE FOR ALL THE PEOPLE OF GUAM GRANT THEM COURAGE WHEN NEEDED STRENGTH WHEN WEAK AND MEEKNESS WHEN STRONG THESE THINGS WE ASK IN YOUR SON'S MOST PRECIOUS NAME JESUS CHRIST AMEN.

**SPEAKER TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES:** LADIES AND GENTLEMEN PLEASE BE SEATED MAJORITY LEADER SENATOR TELENA CRUZ NELSON YOU ARE RECOGNIZED AT THIS TIME PLEASE.

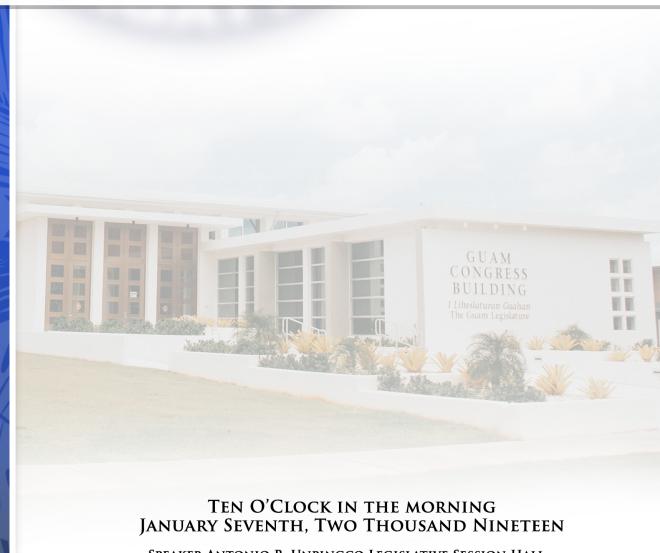
**MAJORITY LEADER TELENA CRUZ NELSON:** *SI YU'OS MA'ÂSE* (THANK YOU) MADAM SPEAKER I MOVE TO ADJOURN SUBJECT TO THE CALL OF THE SPEAKER.

SPEAKER TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES: SI YU'OS MA'ÂSE (THANK YOU) SENATOR NELSON THERE IS A MOTION TO ADJOURN THIS FIRST SESSION OF I MINA'TRENTAI SINGKO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÂHAN SUBJECT TO THE CALL OF THE SPEAKER, AND WITHOUT ANY OBJECTIONS, SO ORDERED. WE ARE ADJOURNED. LADIES AND GENTLEMEN IF I MAY WE WILL GO AHEAD AND ASK OUR SENATORS TO LEAVE WITH OUR PODIUM GUESTS AND WE'LL ASK THE SENATORS TO PLEASE JUST TAKE A U-TURN AND COME BACK UP FOR OUR OFFICIAL PHOTO.

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THIRTY-FIFTH GUAM LEGISLATURE
I MINA'TRENTAI SINGKO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN



SPEAKER ANTONIO R. UNPINGCO LEGISLATIVE SESSION HALL,
GUAM CONGRESS BUILDING

### INAUGURAL CEREMONY OF THE

### THIRTY-FIFTH GUAM LEGISLATURE I MINA'TRENTAI SINGKO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN



#### Call to Order

Honorable Katherine A. Maraman, Chief Justice, Supreme Court of Guam

#### Processional

Senators-Elect of I Mina Trentai Singko Na Liheslaturan Guahan

#### Presentation of Colors Guahån Armed Drill Team

#### National Anthem and Guam Hymn

Jesse Bias and Ruby Santos

#### Bendision

Pa'a taotao Tåno

Inifresi Senator-Elect Therese M. Terlaje

#### Invocation

Rev. Father Paul Gofigan, Parochial Administrator - Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Yigo

### Roll Call of Senators-Elect and Presentation of Certificates of Election

Honorable Katherine A. Maraman, Chief Justice, Supreme Court of Guam

#### Administration of Oath of Office

Honorable Katherine A. Maraman, Chief Justice, Supreme Court of Guam

#### Legislative Pinning Ceremony

#### Election of the Speaker

Honorable Katherine A. Maraman, Chief Justice, Supreme Court of Guam

#### Inaugural Address of the Speaker

#### Election of Legislative Officers

Speaker I Mina'Trentai Singko Na Liheslaturan Guåhan

#### Election and Administration of Oath to Attachés

Speaker I Mina'Trentai Singko Na Liheslaturan Guâhan

# Adoption of the Standing Rules of I Mina'Trentai Singko Na Liheslaturan Guāhan

Election of Standing Committee Chairpersons

#### Benediction

Pastor William J. Schmidt Jr., Vice President, Guam Ministerial Association

#### Adjournment









MOYLAN, JAMES C.





MUÑA. LOUISE BORIA



NELSON, TELENA CRUZ



PEREZ. SABINA FLORES





SAN AGUSTIN. IOE S



SHELTON, AMANDA L.



TAITAGUE, TELO T.



TERLAJE, JOSE "PEDO" T.





TERLAJE, THERESE M. TORRES, MARY CAMACHO

### - Organic Act of Guam

Sixty-eight years ago, the Organic Act of Guam was passed by U.S. Congress and signed into law by President Truman as P.L. 81-630.

To Washington, the act was just another public law. But to the People of Guam, it was a symbol of the hard-won success of our Chamorro leaders.

Due to the concerted efforts of the men and women of the Guam Congress Walk-Out, our People were at last granted the institutions they had, for half a century, been denied: U.S. citizenship, the establishment of the Guam Legislature, and limited self-rule.

While it would be another twenty years before the People of Guam would elect their own governor, the Organic Act marked a turning point in the island's struggle for self-governance, and a sign of hope that when a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens get together, they can, in fact, change the world.

