

I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
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Resolution No. 52-31 (COR)

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Relative to recognizing and honoring the late Honorable Jose Espinosa Santos as one of Guam's most dedicated and revered Mayors, and to extending a most sincere *Un Dângkolo Na Si Yu'os Ma'åse'* to him for his efforts in serving Guam and its people through his works; and to further extending condolences to his family on his passing.

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

3 **WHEREAS, the late Jose Espinosa Santos, a native son of Guam, was born on**
4 **June 23, 1933, one (1) of the five (5) children of †Tomas Taitano and †Joaquina Mata**

1 Espinosa Santos; and who was called to his eternal rest on March 9, 2011, at Parkview
2 Community Hospital in Riverside, California; and

3 **WHEREAS**, growing up, Jose Espinosa Santos was a student at *Mongmong*
4 Elementary School; and during his high school years, he attended Father Dueñas
5 Memorial High School in *Tai, Mangilao*, and was part of the Seminary; and

6 **WHEREAS**, after graduating from high school, Jose went on to serve as an
7 Internal Revenue Agent with the Department of Revenue and Taxation for over
8 eighteen (18) years, which began his lifetime of civil service; and

9 **WHEREAS**, in 1958, Jose continued in his desire to serve, and enlisted in the
10 United States Army, where he served for two (2) years before receiving an Honorable
11 Discharge with a Good Conduct Medal in September 1960; and

12 **WHEREAS**, several years after being honorably discharged from the United
13 States Army, Jose was elected to serve as the Commissioner (now known as Mayor)
14 of *Mongmong-Toto-Maite*, and served in that position for four (4) years, from January
15 8, 1973, until January 10, 1977; and

16 **WHEREAS**, on April 8, 1973, Jose was ordained as a permanent Deacon for
17 the Archdiocese of *Agana* at the *Dulce Nombre De Maria* Cathedral-Basilica in
18 *Hagatña*, which was administered by the late Most Reverend Archbishop Felixberto
19 C. Flores, D.D.; Deacon Jose was then assigned to serve at the Immaculate Heart of
20 Mary Catholic Church in *Toto*, where he served for thirty-eight (38) years; on
21 February 22, 1981, Deacon Jose, along with the late Deacon Pedro Guerrero, served at
22 the outdoor Eucharistic Mass, which was celebrated by the late Pope John Paul II
23 during his first and only Papal visit to Guam; and

24 **WHEREAS**, continuing on his journey of civil service, Jose served as the
25 Special Assistant to the Chief Commissioner for the Mayors Council of Guam, from
26 May 11, 1977, to February 6, 1979; and

1 **WHEREAS**, from February 7, 1979, to September 30, 1983, Jose served and
2 then retired as the Deputy Chief Executive Officer of the Mayors Council of Guam;
3 and

4 **WHEREAS**, on April 16, 1990, seven (7) years after his retirement, Jose
5 returned to serve as the Chief Executive Officer for the Mayors Council of Guam; and
6 on December 2, 1993, he became the Executive Director and retired on September 29,
7 1995; and

8 **WHEREAS**, Deacon Jose was a devout Catholic and a dedicated parishioner of
9 the Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church in *Toto*; he was an active member of
10 the *Toto* Holy Name Society, and the Cursillio; he was a Fourth Degree Knights of
11 Columbus; and he had served as the Chaplain and Scout Master for the Boy Scouts of
12 America, Guam; and

13 **WHEREAS**, in 1996, Deacon Jose was catechized into the Neocatecumenal
14 Way of Guam, and was part of the Second (2nd) Community of *Hagatña*; in 2000,
15 Deacon Jose traveled to Rome for the annual World Youth Day, which was initiated
16 by the late Pope John Paul II; and

17 **WHEREAS**, the late Reverend Mr. Jose Espinosa Santos is survived by his
18 wife, Pilar Rosario Cepeda Santos; and they are blessed with ten (10) children;
19 twenty-seven (27) grandchildren; and two (2) great grandchildren; now, therefore, be
20 it

21 **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina'Trentai Unu Na*
22 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the people
23 of Guam, recognize and honor the late Honorable Reverend Mr. Jose Espinosa Santos
24 for his dedication and commitment to serving our island of Guam and the Catholic
25 Church community through his hard work, profound faith, and inspiration; does
26 extend a most sincere *Un Dångkolo Na Si Yu'os Ma'åse'* to him for his efforts in

1 faithfully serving Guam, its culture, and its Catholic community through his works;
2 and does further extend condolences to his family on his passing; and 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 late Honorable Reverend Mr. Jose Espinosa
6 Santos' wife, Mrs. Pilar Rosario Cepeda Santos; and to the Honorable Edward J.B.
7 Calvo, *I Maga'lahren Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF
I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE 22ND DAY
OF MARCH 2011.**



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Speaker

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