

***I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN***  
**2011 (FIRST) Regular Session**

**Resolution No. 133-31 (COR)**

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**Relative to commending, honoring and extending *Un Dangkolo Na Si Yu'os Ma'åse* to Monsignor Brigido Pedro Untalan Arroyo for his fifty (50) years of service and stewardship within the Roman Catholic Church and the community of Guam.**

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

3        **WHEREAS**, Monsignor Brigido “Bibi” Untalan Arroyo was born on October  
4        23, 1933, to Brigido and Oliva Arroyo, and is the second in a line of siblings which  
5        include his five (5) brothers: Ronald, Alfred, Joseph, (†)Jesse and Raymond; and one  
6        (1) sister, Sister Marian Therese Arroyo; and

7        **WHEREAS**, it was through his family that he first developed his faith and  
8        strong moral values; and

1       **WHEREAS**, any individual that has had the honor to work with or associate  
2 themselves with Monsignor Arroyo have words such as inspirational, faithful,  
3 compassionate, service-minded, family, modest, loyal, and courageous come to mind  
4 in describing the humbly dedicated man; and

5       **WHEREAS**, Monsignor Bibi has served in several parishes and in different  
6 capacities in the last fifty (50) years, including the *Dulce Nombre de Maria* Cathedral  
7 Basilica in *Hagatña*; Our Lady of Guadalupe in *Santa Rita*; *Nuestra Senora de las*  
8 *Aguas* in *Mongmong*; the Immaculate Heart of Mary in *Toto*; San Vicente in  
9 *Barrigada*; Blessed Luis de San Vitores in *Tumon*; San Dimas in *Malesso*; San  
10 Dioniso in *Umatac*; the Guam Memorial Hospital; the Diocese of *Chalan Kanoa*;  
11 Santa Teresita in *Mangilao*; Our Lady of Purification in *Maina*; Nino Perdido in *Asan*;  
12 and St. Anthony-St. Victor Church in *Tamuning* ; and

13       **WHEREAS**, Monsignor Arroyo followed in the footsteps of his father and  
14 brother by enlisting with the U.S. military, and served as the “moral compass” for the  
15 U.S. Army on Guam as a Chaplain from 1983-1993; and he became the first Chaplain  
16 of the Guam National Guard; and

17       **WHEREAS**, Monsignor Arroyo has also served as an educator at several Guam  
18 Catholic Schools, including the Academy of Our Lady of Guam (1961-1970, 1977-  
19 1981), Father Dueñas Memorial High School (1961-1970), Notre Dame High School  
20 and Bishop Baumgartner Elementary School; and he served as a teacher and counselor  
21 at Lavrock Boy’s Home and St. Therese Elementary School in Pennsylvania (1975-  
22 1977); and

23       **WHEREAS**, serving as the Director of Communications for the Archdiocese of  
24 *Agaña*, Monsignor Arroyo used the mass media to heighten the communication of the  
25 Roman Catholic Church’s teachings, and he was able to reach followers and devotees  
26 through recent innovations; he utilized outlets such as the Pacific Voice and KUAM

1 610 AM & KATB (now K57) in the 1960s and 1970s, co-hosting the Rosary Hour;  
2 and

3 **WHEREAS**, one of the highlights of Monsignor Arroyo's position as Director  
4 of Communications was being part of the committee that welcomed and planned the  
5 itinerary for Pope John Paul II in 1981, personally providing the Pope with *Chamorro*  
6 phrases to use during the visit; and

7 **WHEREAS**, after graduating from Temple University in Philadelphia,  
8 Pennsylvania, with a graduate degree in Social Communication, Monsignor Arroyo's  
9 stance in social communication within the Church was further institutionalized; he  
10 was called Guam's "Communicator of Christ"; and

11 **WHEREAS**, Monsignor Bibi is also a member of UND or SIGNIS the  
12 International Catholic Broadcast Association; he has been the Chaplain of the  
13 Daughters of Americas, Guam region, a group that gives attention to evangelization  
14 via media; he is a member of the Catholic Press Association, and is a Conference  
15 Presenter with numerous conferences around the world; and

16 **WHEREAS**, in October 2003, Monsignor Arroyo was given the first (1<sup>st</sup>)  
17 Gabriel Award by the Diocese of Guam for his "tireless dedication as a servant of  
18 Christ and passionate communication of the Good News of God's love"; and

19 **WHEREAS**, in May 2006, Pope Benedict XVI conferred the Papal honor of  
20 becoming Monsignori on Monsignor Brigido Pedro Untalan Arroyo, along with  
21 Monsignor David I.A. Quitugua, Monsignor James L.G. Benavente and Monsignor  
22 David C. Quitugua; and

23 **WHEREAS**, on paper alone Monsignor Arroyo's accomplishments evidence  
24 dedication, excellence and quality work, but it is in the opinions and testimonies of  
25 parishioners and other people who have interacted with him that we hear the details  
26 that explain Monsignor Bibi: "his life has been service to his God, his church and his

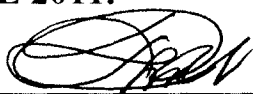
1 people”; “never one to turn away a person in need”; “never one to give less than  
2 everything”; and “faithful servant and friend”; and

3 **WHEREAS**, reflecting on his life’s works, Monsignor Bibi’s has been quoted  
4 saying, “Fifty (50) years of priestly stewardship is nothing else than a surpassing  
5 worth of knowing, loving and serving Christ Jesus and His people”; now therefore, be  
6 it

7 **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina’Trentai Unu Na*  
8 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the people  
9 of Guam, recognize, honor and commend Monsignor Brigido “Bibi” Pedro Untalan  
10 Arroyo for fifty (50) years of service and stewardship to the Roman Catholic Church  
11 and the island of Guam; and does further extend *Un Dångkolo Na Si Yu’os Ma’åse’* to  
12 him for his unparalleled contributions; and be it further

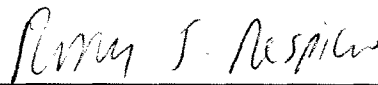
13 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules  
14 certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of  
15 the same be thereafter transmitted to Monsignor Brigido Pedro Untalan Arroyo; to the  
16 St. Anthony-St.Victor Parish; to the Archdiocese of Guam; and to the Honorable  
17 Edward J.B. Calvo, *I Maga’lahen Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF  
I MINA’TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE 10<sup>TH</sup> DAY  
OF JUNE 2011.**



**JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D.**

Speaker



**RORY J. RESPICIO**

Chairperson, Committee on Rules



**TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES**

Legislative Secretary