

I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN
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Resolution No. 389-31 (LS)

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Relative to recognizing and honoring Mrs. Maria Naputi Mantanona as she celebrates the one hundred second (102nd) year of her life; and to further commending her as a “2012 Senior Citizens Month Centenarian”.

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

3 **WHEREAS,** Maria Fejeran Naputi was born on May 9, 1910; and she is the
4 daughter of †Maria Fejeran and †Vicente Paulino Naputi, from the village of
5 *Inarajan*; and

1 **WHEREAS**, Maria married Pedro Meno Mantanona on February 26, 1926, and
2 together they raised twelve (12) children: seven (7) sons and five (5) daughters; and

3 **WHEREAS**, “Ama”, as she is fondly called by family members and all who
4 know her, is the eldest child of twelve (12) siblings. She has one (1) surviving sister,
5 Antonia Naputi Reyes, who is eighty-eight (88) years old and resides in the village of
6 *Talofofo*; and

7 **WHEREAS**, being the eldest child, a lot of responsibilities were placed on *Tan*
8 Ama, which included having to look after her siblings, the upkeep of the family home,
9 laundry, sewing and preparing meals. She learned to cook and sew from her
10 grandmother, who was her teacher and mentor, and the memories of her grandmother
11 impacted her relationship with her family, devoting her entire life to caring for her
12 family; and

13 **WHEREAS**, *Tan* Ama loved to cook, sew, and garden. She did all her cooking
14 the traditional way, cooking over a wood-burning stove. She is well-known for her
15 delicious *Chamorro* Cake; and

16 **WHEREAS**, her favorite food dish is fish cooked in any manner, as she is not
17 too keen on eating red meat, her other favorite dishes, include *atuli* (soup made of
18 corn), *gollai âpan lemmai* (bread fruit cooked in coconut milk), taro, bananas, and
19 eating lots of vegetables; and

20 **WHEREAS**, as a seamstress, *Tan* Ama had no need to buy clothing for her
21 family, sewing all their clothes; and

22 **WHEREAS**, although her mobility is very limited today, she loves being
23 outdoors. In her stronger days, she loved gardening vegetables and flowers. Her
24 favorite flower is the pink *Flores Rosa*;

25 **WHEREAS**, *Tan* Ama is a member of the *Inarajan* Christian Mothers
26 Organization. As a devoted Catholic, praying the novena every three (3) months and

1 cooking a feast afterwards was her way of bringing the family together, a tradition she
2 has passed on to her children and grandchildren; and

3 **WHEREAS**, *Tan* Ama’s longevity is attributed to living a simple life, being a
4 devoted wife, a loving and caring mother, and a God-fearing woman; and

5 **WHEREAS**, *Tan* Ama’s devotion to her faith and dedication to her family is
6 evident today, as she is blessed with sixty-one (61) grandchildren, one hundred eighty-
7 three (183) great grandchildren, one hundred nineteen (119) great-great grandchildren,
8 and one (1) great-great-great grandchild; and

9 **WHEREAS**, *Tan* Ama’s family is looking forward to celebrating her one
10 hundred second (102nd) birthday on May 9, 2012; now therefore, be it

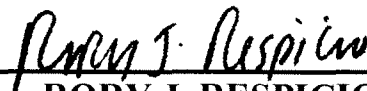
11 **RESOLVED**, that *I Mina'Trentai Unu Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby,
12 on behalf of the people of Guam, recognize and honor Ms. Maria Naputi Mantanona
13 on the celebration of her one hundred second (102nd) birthday; and does further
14 commend her as a “2012 Senior Citizens Month Centenarian”; and be it further

15 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to,
16 the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Ms. Maria
17 Naputi Mantanona; and to the Honorable 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 25TH DAY
OF APRIL, 2012**



JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D.
Speaker



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