I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN 2012 (SECOND) Regular Session

Resolution No. 417-31 (COR)

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Relative to posthumously recognizing and honoring the late Angustia Baza Tainatongo Rivera for dedicating many years of her life to the care of people who were in need of help; and to extending a sincere *Un Dångkolo Na Yu'*os *Ma'åse'* to her family for the outstanding contributions she had made for the betterment of our island community.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF *I*MINA'TRENTAL UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÂHAN:

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- WHEREAS, Angustia Baza Tainatongo Rivera was born on September 22,
- 5 1934, in the village of Merizo, and she later moved to Agat; and then eventually
- 6 moved to Mangilao, where she had resided since 1969; and

WHEREAS, the late Angustia Baza Tainatongo Rivera was fondly known to 1 her brothers and sisters as "Angustia"; to her grandchildren as "Grandma Rivera"; to 2 3 her nieces and nephews as "Auntie Uta or Auntie Gus"; to her friends and business associates as "Angie"; and to God as "Angel"; and 4 WHEREAS, Angustia is the daughter of Gregorio S.N. Tainatongo and 5 Dolores Baza Tainatongo, and is the third (3rd) eldest child of ten (10) children. She 6 has six (6) brothers: +Jose; Vicente (Alabama); Ramon (Merizo); Gregorio (Merizo); 7 Vinancio (Washington); and Geronimo (Merizo); and three (3) sisters: +Maria; 8 9 Dolores (Agana Springs); and Josephine (Washington); and 10 WHEREAS, Angustia was previously married to Jesus S. Rivera, and are the 11 proud parents of four (4) children; namely: Roland, Ralph, Eloise and Pinky; and WHEREAS, for over forty-two (42) years, Angustia was an independent 12 13 business owner, working as a Mary Kay beauty consultant, whereby she ranked #93 in the top 100, out of 1.8 million Mary Kay consultants world-wide; and 14 15 WHEREAS, Angustia was devoted to God, her family, and her career, and her life revolved around helping others in need; and some of the life's lessons that she 16 imparted were: "work for what you need"; and "quit feeling sorry for yourself and get 17 18 up and do something about it"; and WHEREAS, Angustia carried out the Corporal Works of Mercy by feeding 19 20 those who were hungry, giving to those who were thirsty, sheltering those who were 21 homeless, clothing those who were naked, and visiting those who were sick; and 22 WHEREAS, many times Angustia would literally drive around the island in 23 search of the homeless, and would bring them to her home and provide them with 24 essentials, as well as a place of respite from the elements; and even with the meager income she was making, she would create small jobs around the house so that these 25 26 individuals would work, and she would give them some money so that they can learn 27 how to work and earn a living; and

WHEREAS, Angustia was a true servant of the Lord and spent many years caring for her children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren, always teaching them to love one another and to take care of each other, and to care for the less fortunate, and treat them with dignity and respect; and

WHEREAS, if there is one memory that her children have of their mother is that Angustia was always smiling and was never judgmental; and she always supported her children in everything that they did, giving them all unconditional love despite their mistakes and flaws; and

WHEREAS, as she carried out her faith, Angustia's involvement in church became more and more visible. She was a Christian Mother and a devotee of the Divine Mercy; and as a devotee, she knew that "one lets the love and mercy of God flow through one's own heart towards those who need it"; and

WHEREAS, Angustia always showed kindness to all the people she met, offering her goodness to the many people she has touched in her lifetime, and helping hundreds of people through her work with the homeless; and

WHEREAS, on April 15, 2012, Angustia Baza Tainatongo Rivera passed away at the age of seventy-seven (77) years, and her passing leaves a void that will be felt for many years to come, in both the family she loved and the island she so selflessly served; now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina'Trentai Unu Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the people of Guam, posthumously recognize and honor the late Angustia Baza Tainatongo Rivera for dedicating many years of her life to the care of people who were in need of help; and does further extend a sincere *Un Dångkolo Na Yu'* os *Ma'åse'* to her family for the outstanding contributions she had made for the betterment of our island community; and be it further

- 1 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules
- 2 certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of
- 3 the same be thereafter transmitted to the family of the late Angustia Baza Tainatongo
- 4 Rivera; 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 GUÂHAN ON THE $7^{\rm TH}$ DAY OF JUNE 2012.

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Speaker

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Chairperson, Committee on Rules

TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES. Legislative Secretary