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Relative to welcoming and extending a warm *Hafa Adai to* Senator Teofisto Guingona III of the Republic of the Philippines on his visit to Guam to join Filipinos throughout the island in celebrating the One Hundred Fourteenth (114th) Year Anniversary of the Independence of the Philippines.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES I

2 MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN:

- WHEREAS, Senator Teofisto Guingona III, or "TG," as he is known to friends
- 4 and colleagues, comes from a long line of public servants, and is currently a Senator
- of the Fifteenth (15th) Congress of the Republic of the Philippines (2010-2016); and

WHEREAS, TG had served as a Congressman of the Second (2nd) District of Bukidnon during the Thirteenth (13th) and Fourteenth (14th) Congresses. In the Lower House, he was a member of the opposition and the minority group. He is the Deputy Minority Floor Leader, and is the Minority Representative to the Joint Congressional Power Commission (POWERCOM), which deals with matters relating to energy and electricity; and

WHEREAS, TG is a lawyer, and he graduated from the Ateneo de Manila University with a degree in Economics and Law. While attending the University, he met his wife, Attorney Maria Victoria Garcia Guingona, and together they have a son, Bobby; and

WHEREAS, while in college, TG experienced his first taste of politics when he joined the student government. TG, along with his colleagues in the student government, joined a protest rally of the opposition party, Lakas ng Bayan (LABAN), to protest the election fraud by the dictator Ferdinand Marcos during the 1978 elections. While marching along *España* Avenue in Manila, TG and the entire Ateneo student government were arrested; and

WHEREAS, from the time of his youth serving in the Ateneo student government up until this day, TG still strongly believes in the principles of transparency in governance and accountability of government officials. Because of this, TG was chosen as a *Kaya Natin!* Champion as part of a national movement in the Philippines that aims to promote good governance and ethical leadership, and to support effective and ethical leaders in government; and

WHEREAS, Senator Guingona has set the objective of his legislative work to ensure that the government invests in the Filipino people. To TG, investing in the Filipino people means using national resources to build a healthy and educated citizenry. He seeks to protect the most vulnerable segments of the population and

- 1 make certain that they are neither impoverished materially nor marginalized socially.
- 2 His efforts also try to foster the investment climate necessary to create job
- 3 opportunities that will enable greater human, and not just economic, development. To
- 4 achieve these objectives, Senator Guingona has set budget reform at the center of his
- 5 legislative agenda; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Senator Guingona also seeks to craft legislation that will ensure
- 7 both energy and food security through the use of more local resources. By doing this,
- 8 he aims to make the price of food and energy both affordable and predictable in order
- 9 to make more money available for families to educate their children and take care of
- their health needs; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Senator Guingona has also focused his sights on creating
- 12 legislation that will provide resources and incentives for science and technology to
- 13 direct their activities toward improving health and education, and securing the
- country's supply of food and energy; and
- 15 WHEREAS, Senator Guingona has been instrumental in improving the
- 16 conditions in his home of Mindanao by working to build human and social capital,
- and championing Disaster Risk Reduction and Management; now therefore, be it
- 18 **RESOLVED,** the Committee on Rules of *I Mina'Trentai Unu Na Liheslaturan*
- 19 Guåhan does hereby, on behalf of I Liheslaturan Guåhan and the people of Guam,
- 20 welcome and extend a warm Hafa Adai to Senator Teofisto Guingona III of the
- 21 Republic of the Philippines on his visit to Guam to join Filipinos throughout the island
- 22 in celebrating the One Hundred Fourteenth (114th) Year Anniversary of the
- 23 Independence of the Philippines; and be it further
- 24 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules
- 25 certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of

- 1 the same be thereafter transmitted to Senator Teofisto Guingona III; and to the
- 2 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 8TH DAY OF JUNE 2012.

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