

I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
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Relative to recognizing and congratulating Ricardo Lee H. Mendiola for thirty-six (36) years of service at the Guam Community College; and to further extending *Un Dångkolo Na Si Yu'os Ma'åse* to him for an exceptional career dedicated to the education and job training of Guam's students.

1 **BE IT RESOLVED BY *I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN***
2 ***GUÅHAN*:**

3 **WHEREAS, in August 1979, Ricardo Lee H. Mendiola began his career at**
4 **the Guam Community College, working as a Para Pro, Heavy Equipment**
5 **Mechanic, and Instructor; and he ended his career on August 24, 2012, serving as**

1 the Automotive Controller for the Automotive Department of the Guam
2 Community College; and

3 **WHEREAS**, upon his retirement, Mr. Mendiola will have worked his entire
4 career at the Guam Community College; and

5 **WHEREAS**, through hard work and altruism, Mr. Mendiola had taught his
6 students how to troubleshoot, maintain, and repair various types of diesel
7 engines, trucks, boats, and other heavy equipment; and

8 **WHEREAS**, as a result of the instruction from Mr. Mendiola, students
9 employed throughout Guam have learned skills in medium/heavy truck
10 mechanical areas that include: drive trains, brake systems, suspension and
11 steering, heating, ventilation, diesel engines, air conditioning, hydraulics,
12 electrical/electronic systems, and preventative maintenance; and

13 **WHEREAS**, upon his retirement, Mr. Mendiola has effectively worked as
14 the Automotive Controller in the Automotive Department of the Guam
15 Community College, where he managed the procurement of tools and equipment;
16 and

17 **WHEREAS**, Mr. Mendiola's motto was "*Safety Comes First*," and as such,
18 he worked tirelessly to ensure that each satellite high school was properly
19 equipped with safety mechanisms; and

20 **WHEREAS**, under his oversight, the satellite programs at each high school
21 on Guam had proper equipment, and the instructors had proper tools and text
22 manuals for students; and

23 **WHEREAS**, the strength and support Mr. Mendiola has had throughout his career
24 comes from his wife of thirty four (34) years, Teri Laanan Mendiola, and they have
25 four (4) sons: Chief James Lee, Jason Lee, Joshua Lee and Dexter; a daughter Dr.

1 Florie Mendiola; five (5) grandchildren: Christopher, Ava, Preston, Aiden, and Sophia
2 Mendiola; and have helped to rear two (2) other grandchildren, Hannah Nicole
3 Cepeda and Tyson Torres; and

4 **WHEREAS**, Mr. Mendiola has donated much of his spare time to serving in
5 various government and community activities, to include, serving as an Assistant
6 Baseball Coach, from 1989 to 1991; serving as the President of the Guam
7 Amateur Athletic Association, from 1991 to 1994; participating in the
8 Automotive Skills USA Competition for the past ten (10) years; and he has been a
9 lifetime volunteer at the Santa Teresita Catholic Church in *Mangilao*; and

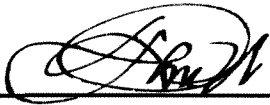
10 **WHEREAS**, Mr. Mendiola has taught numerous students throughout his
11 career at the Guam Community College, and he has left a lasting impression that
12 will serve them personally and professionally for a lifetime; and

13 **WHEREAS**, Mr. Ricardo Lee H. Mendiola has left a lasting legacy amongst
14 his professional colleagues, friends, students, and family that will continue even
15 as he proudly retires from a wonderful career at the Guam Community College;
16 now therefore, be it

17 **RESOLVED**, that *I Mina'Trentai Unu Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby,
18 on behalf of the people of Guam, recognize and congratulate Mr. Ricardo Lee H.
19 Mendiola for the invaluable contributions he has made to the Guam Community
20 College and its students for the past thirty-six (36) years; and does further
21 extend a most sincere *Un Dângkolo Na Si Yu'us Ma'åse* to Mr. Ricardo Lee H.
22 Mendiola for his diligent dedicated exemplary work and teaching on behalf of the
23 Guam Community College students and the community of Guam, and wishes him
24 well on a much deserved retirement; and be it further

1 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker certify, and the Legislative Secretary
2 attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter
3 transmitted to Mr. Ricardo Lee H. Mendiola; to Mary A.Y. Okada, Ed.D.,
4 President, Guam Community College; to Reilly A. Ridgell, Dean of the School
5 of Trades and Professional Services at the Guam Community College; and to
6 the Honorable Edward J.B. Calvo, *I Maga'låhen Guåhan*.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY *I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* ON THE 23RD DAY OF AUGUST 2012.



JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D.
Speaker



TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES
Legislative Secretary