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

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Relative to commending and congratulating Mrs. Flor Martinez on the occasion of her retirement after thirty (30) years of government service; and to further extending a warm *Un Dångkolo Na Si Yu'os Ma'åsé* to her for her committed and dedicated service to the people of Guam.

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

- 1 WHEREAS, Mrs. Flor Martinez was born on July 5, 1959, in Manila, 2 Philippines; and her parents are Fortunato and Laura Bathan; and

3 WHEREAS, Flor has been married to Mario Martinez since 1985; and they 4 have a son, Nathaniel Mark Martinez; and

5 WHEREAS, in 1981, Flor acquired her Doctor of Dental Medicine degree 6 from the De Ocampo Memorial College in Manila, Philippines; and she later took and 7 passed the Philippine Dental Board Examination, in December 1981. In 1982, she 8 enrolled in a Post Graduate Course on Oral Surgery at the Philippine General 9 Hospital; and

10 WHEREAS, in May 1982, Flor migrated to Guam, and she was first employed 11 in a temporary position at the Department of Public Health and Social Services 12 (DPHSS) Dental Section for nine (9) months, under the Agency for Human Resources 13 Development; and

14 WHEREAS, after leaving DPHSS, Mrs. Martinez was employed as a dental hygienist at a private clinic for four (4) months; and on October 3, 1983, she was 15 16 rehired and employed at DPHSS in a permanent position as a Dental Health Specialist 17 I, and she worked at the *Inarajan* Public Health Dental Section for two (2) years; and

18 WHEREAS, during her employment, Flor prepared all fields of operation for 19 the dentists by setting out the instruments and supplies that would be needed in the 20 treatment of the patients; she assisted dentists in dental procedures; she provided 21 safety measures to protect the patients, dentists, and the public from potential 22 contaminants; she ensured the accuracy of patient information; she tested patients for 23 hypertension and diabetes to confirm that they were cleared for dental procedures; and 24 she educated patients on proper oral hygiene practices, and on taking their 25 medications as prescribed by their physician or dentist; and

1 WHEREAS, from 1985 to 1994, Flor was employed at the Central Public 2 Health Dental Section, where she worked with a full staff clinic operation of six (6) 3 dentists, sixteen (16) dental assistants, and four (4) dental receptionists; and in 1988, 4 Flor was promoted to Dental Health Specialist II; and

5 WHEREAS, in 1994, Flor was sent to the Palau Community College to attend 6 the Dental Health Advocate Instructor Training Program, which was sponsored by the 7 Pacific Island Health Officers Association; with the University of Kentucky Instructor and Workshop Directors, Dr. Ralph Frew, Dr. Raynor Mullins, and Dr. David 8 9 Hardison; and

10 WHEREAS, in 1995, Flor was transferred to the Northern Region Community Health Center Dental Clinic in Dededo, and she was promoted to Dental Health 11 12 Specialist III. In 1996, Flor was moved back to Central Public Health, where she 13 served until her retirement on September 28, 2012; and

14 WHEREAS, Mrs. Martinez had also conducted and attended various 15 presentations, such as in August 1995, when she attended the International Dental 16 Symposium, presenting the "Review of Endodontic Principles of General Dentistry"; 17 she made a presentation in Dental Hygiene at George Washington High School, in 18 1997; in May 2011, she attended the Asia Pacific Dental Conference at the Philippine International Convention Center in Manila, Philippines; and in February 2012, the 19 20 dental staff was invited to give dental presentations at several public elementary schools, during the celebration of "Dental Health Month"; and 21

WHEREAS, Mrs. Flor Martinez has excelled in her public service, and she was 22 23 given a Certificate of Achievement in Recognition of Outstanding Performance and 24 Evaluation; and she received another Certificate of Recognition for participating in the 25 "National Childrens Health Fair", which was sponsored by the Guam Dental Society 26 and the Department of Public Health and Social Services; and

WHEREAS, Flor has showed her dedication to community service by
 volunteering and giving her invaluable time to help the DPHSS Food Stamp Program
 process food stamps during times of emergencies caused by natural disasters,
 including Supertyphoon *Omar* in 1992, Supertyphoon *Paka* in 1997, and Typhoon
 Chata'an in 2002; and

6 WHEREAS, in 2004, Flor was involved in the Guam Fluoride Varnish 7 Program, in which the dental staff applied fluoride varnish to children five (5) years 8 and younger to prevent dental caries; visited various Headstart centers, located in 9 twenty (20) elementary schools throughout Guam; visited daycare centers; 10 participated in immunization outreach with the nursing staff; and attended health fairs 11 at the shopping malls to apply fluoride varnish to children; and

WHEREAS, Flor has participated in various projects, such as the 2007 Island Wide Immunization Survey; the Homeless Coalition Survey in 2008 and 2011; the H1N1 Mass Vaccinations that were held at various locations all over the island to ensure that the people were protected from the H1N1 Virus; and she participated in the 2009 Homeless Point in Count, where volunteers attempted to count the number of homeless people on the island; and

WHEREAS, during her thirty (30) years of government service, Mrs. Flor
Martinez's dedicated and committed service to our island community has benefited
the people of Guam in various ways; now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina'Trentai Unu Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the people of Guam, commend and congratulate Mrs. Flor Martinez on the occasion of her well deserved retirement after thirty (30) years of government service; and does further extend a warm *Un Dångkolo Na Si Yu'os Ma'åse'* to her for her committed and dedicated service to the people of Guam; and be it further

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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 Mrs. Flor Martinez; and to the Honorable 4 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 SEPTEMBER 2012.

JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D. Speaker

MMJ. Huspico

I.D. RORY J. RESPICIO Chairperson, Committee on Rules

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