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

Resolution No. 654-31 (LS)

Introduced by:

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Relative to recognizing and commending Ms. Dorothea Zita Leon Guerrero Jesus on the occasion of her retirement after serving for thirty (30) years as a Counselor and Teacher of the Guam Department of Education; and to further extending Un Dångkolo Na Si Yu'os Ma'åse' to her for her selfless and longstanding mentorship, her expert technical advice, and her volunteerism in serving our youth, families, and community in their academic, character and professional development.

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

1 WHEREAS, Ms. Dorothea Zita Leon Guerrero Jesus has devoted over thirty 2 (30) years to education. She has participated in and conducted numerous workshops; 3 she has faithfully served her church and her school; and she has contributed to the 4 preservation of the cultural arts and to peace in the community; and in doing so, she 5 has positively influenced the lives of thousands of people on Guam and the 6 Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands; and

WHEREAS, over the course of two (2) and a half decades, Ms. Dorothea Zita
Leon Guerrero Jesus has contributed a lifetime of service to teaching and counseling
others in order that countless numbers of students and families may grow and prosper;
and in doing so, she has further enriched the communities and organizations of which
she was a member; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Dorothea Zita Leon Guerrero Jesus, of *Chamorro* descent, attained her B.A. in Elementary Education from the University of Guam; and she went on to take school administration courses from the Northern Marianas College, graduate courses from the University of Guam, and recertification classes from the University of Guam and San Diego State University; and

WHEREAS, in the course of thirty-seven (37) years, Ms. Dorothea Zita Leon
Guerrero Jesus has taught at the elementary and middle school levels on Guam and in
the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Dorothea Zita Leon Guerrero Jesus' commitment to professionalism, scholarship, and mastery of her vocation is evidenced by her participation in the nearly three (3) dozen workshops, in-service trainings, conferences and conventions, including, Cross-Cultural Counseling, Autism Training, Drug-Free, Homeless Children, and Empowering trainings; and

25 WHEREAS, Ms. Dorothea Zita Leon Guerrero Jesus' experiences and 26 accomplishments extend beyond serving as a teacher and counselor. Ms. Dorothea Zita Leon Guerrero Jesus has served as a member representative for Literary Arts as a Cultural Performer and Story Teller in the Guam Delegation at the Festival of Arts held in Western Samoa, the Republic of Palau, American Samoa, and Saipan; in addition to serving on numerous committees and leadership positions for school science fairs, band competitions, the Girl Scouts of America, the school Crime Watch, various school clubs, and in her parish; and

7 WHEREAS, with over thirty-seven (37) years of service, Dorothea endeavored 8 throughout her career as a teacher and counselor to provide the highest quality of 9 public education. Her wisdom, passion and leadership reflected on both her 10 colleagues and her students. She motivated her students to always do their best and 11 reach for the stars. She treated them as family and instilled the same values as she 12 taught her two (2) children, Lisa and + Jesse. Through her tireless efforts and 13 sacrifices, she devoted her time, talent, ideas and resources to help change the lives of her students as they shape our community to become a better place to learn and live; 14 15 now therefore, be it

16 **RESOLVED**, that I Mina'Trentai Unu Na Liheslaturan Guåhan does hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, recognize and congratulate Ms. Dorothea Zita Leon 17 18 Guerrero Jesus on the occasion of her retirement after more than thirty-seven (37) 19 years of service as a Counselor and Teacher of the Guam Department of Education, and commend her for her selfless and longstanding mentorship, her expert technical 20 21 advice, and her volunteerism in serving our youth, families, and community in their 22 academic, character and professional development; and does further extend Un 23 Dångkolo Na Si Yu'os Ma'åse' to Ms. Dorothea Zita Leon Guerrero Jesus for having 24 devoted over thirty-seven (37) years to education, her faithful service to her church, 25 her contribution to the preservation of the cultural arts and to peace in the community, 1 and for having positively influenced the lives of thousands of people on Guam and the

2 Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Speaker certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Ms. Dorothea Zita Leon Guerrero Jesus; and to the Honorable Edward J.B. Calvo, *I Maga'lahen Guåhan*.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY *I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* ON THE 12TH DAY OF DECEMBER 2012.

JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D. Speaker TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES Legislative Secretary