

I MINA' TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN  
2011 (FIRST) REGULAR SESSION

Resolution No. 52-31 (cor)

Introduced By:

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Relative to recognizing and honoring the late Jose Espinosa Santos as one of Guam's most dedicated and revered Mayors, and extending a most sincere *Un Dangkolo Na Si Yu'os Ma'ásé* to him for his efforts in serving Guam and its people through his works; and further extending condolences to his family on his passing.

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1 **BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF I**

2 ***MINA' TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN:***

3 **WHEREAS**, the late Jose Espinosa Santos, a native son of Guam, was born  
4 on June 23, 1933, one (1) of the five (5) children of the late Tomas Taitano and  
5 Joaquina Mata Espinosa Santos; and who was called to his eternal rest on March  
6 9, 2011 at Parkview Community Hospital in Riverside, California; and

7 **WHEREAS**, growing up, Jose Espinosa Santos, was a student at  
8 Mongmong Elementary School; and during his high school years, attended and  
9 was part the Seminary at Father Dueñas Memorial High School in Tai, Mangilao;

10           **WHEREAS**, after graduating from high school, Jose went on to serve as an  
11 Internal Revenue Agent with the Department of Revenue and Taxation for over  
12 eighteen (18) years, which began his lifetime of civil service; and

13           **WHEREAS**, in 1958, Jose continued his desire to serve upon entering the  
14 United States Army and serving two (2) years before receiving an Honorable  
15 Discharge with a Good Conduct Medal in September 1960; and

16           **WHEREAS**, several years after being honorably discharged from the  
17 United States Army, Jose ran for Mayor of Mongmong-Toto-Maite and was  
18 elected on January 8, 1973 serving one (1) term of four (4) years until January 10,  
19 1977; and

20           **WHEREAS**, on April 8, 1973, Jose was ordained a permanent Deacon for  
21 the Archdiocese of Agana at the Dolce Nombre de Maria Cathedral-Basilica in  
22 Agana administered by the late Most Rev. Archbishop Felixberto C. Flores, D.D.;  
23 Deacon Jose was assigned to serve at the Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic  
24 Church in Toto for thirty-eight (38) years; and

25           **WHEREAS**, in continuing his civil service, from May 11, 1977 to February  
26 6, 1979, Jose served as the Special Assistant to the Chief Commissioner for the  
27 Mayors' Council of Guam; and

28           **WHEREAS**, from February 7, 1979 to September 30, 1983, Jose served  
29   and retired as the Deputy Chief Executive Officer of the Mayors' Council of  
30   Guam; and

31           **WHEREAS**, seven (7) years after retirement, on April 16, 1990, Jose  
32   returned to serve as the Chief Executive Officer for the Mayors' Council of Guam  
33   then on December 2, 1993, became the Executive Director and retired on  
34   September 29, 1995; and

35           **WHEREAS**, Deacon Jose was a devout Catholic and dedicated parishioner  
36   of the Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church in Toto, active member of the  
37   Toto Holy Name Society and Cursillio, Fourth degree Knights of Columbus, and  
38   served as the Chaplain and Scouts Master for the Boy Scouts of America, Guam;  
39   and

40           **WHEREAS**, in 1996, Deacon Jose was catechized into the Neocatecumenal  
41   Way of Guam and part of the second (2<sup>nd</sup>) Community of Agana; In 2000, Deacon  
42   Jose traveled to Rome for the annual World Youth Day which was initiated by the  
43   late Pope John Paul II.

44           **WHEREAS**, the late Reverend Mr. Jose Espinosa Santos is survived by his  
45   wife, Pilar Rosario Cepeda Santos; He is blessed with eleven (11) children;  
46   twenty-seven (27) grandchildren; and two (2) great grandchildren; now, therefore,  
47   be it

48           **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina'Trentai Unu Na*

49   *Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, honor Rev.

50   Mr. Jose Espinosa Santos for his dedication and commitment to serving our island

51   of Guam and the Catholic Church community through his hard work, profound

52   faith, and inspiration; does extend its most sincere *Un Dangkolo Na Si Yu'os*

53   *Ma'åse* to him for his efforts in faithfully serving Guam, its culture, and its

54   Catholic religion through his works; and does further extend condolences to his

55   family on his passing; and be it further

56           **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee of

57   Rules certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that

58   copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to *Rev. Mr. Jose Espinosa Santos*; to

59   Mrs. Pilar Rosario Cepeda Santos; and to the Honorable Edward B. Calvo, *I*

60   *Maga'lalen Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA**

**LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THIS 25<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF MARCH 2011.**

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JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D.  
Speaker

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TINA ROSE MUNA BARNES  
Legislative Secretary