

I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
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Introduced by:

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**RELATIVE TO RECOGNIZING MRS. MARIA
NAPUTI MANTANONA ON ONE HUNDRED
ONE (101) YEARS OF LIFE, HER
ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS
TO THE ISLAND OF GUAM AND FOR BEING A
2011 SENIOR CITIZENS' MONTH
CENTENARIAN.**

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

1 **WHEREAS**, Maria Fejeran Naputi was born to Maria Fejeran and
2 Vicente Paulino Naputi, in the village of Inarajan on May 9, 1910; and

3 **WHEREAS**, She married Pedro Meno Mantanona on February 26,
4 1926 and together, they raised 12 children, seven (7) sons and five (5)
5 daughters. The Mantanona's were married for 61 years; and

6 **WHEREAS**, "Ama", as she is fondly called by family members and
7 all who know her is the eldest of 12 siblings. She has one surviving sister,
8 Antonia Naputi Reyes, who is 87 years old and resides in the village of
9 Talofofo; and

10 **WHEREAS**, Being the 'eldest, a lot of responsibilities were placed on
11 Tan Ama, which included having to look after her siblings, upkeep of the
12 family home, laundry, sewing and preparing meals. She learned to cook and
13 sew from her grandmother, her teacher and mentor, and the memories of her
14 grandmother impacted her relationship with her family, devoting her entire
15 life to caring for her family; and

16 **WHEREAS**, “Tan Ama” loved to cook, sew, and garden. She did all
17 her cooking the traditional way, cooking over burning wood. She is well-
18 known for her delicious Chamorro Cake; and

19 **WHEREAS**, her favorite food dish is fish cooked in any manner, as
20 she is not too keen with red meat. Amongst her other favorite dishes,
21 includes *atuli* (soup made of corn), *gollai åpan lemmi* (bread fruit cooked
22 in coconut milk), taro, bananas, and eating a lot of vegetables; and

23 **WHEREAS**, as a seamstress, Tan Ama had no need to buy clothing
24 for her family, sewing all their clothes; and

25 **WHEREAS**, although her mobility is very limited today, she loves
26 being outdoors. In her stronger days, she loved gardening vegetables and
27 flowers. Her favorite flower is the pink *Flores Rosa*;

28 **WHEREAS**, Tan Ama is a member of the Inarajan Christian Mothers
29 organization. As a devoted Catholic, praying the novena every three months

30 and cooking a feast afterwards was her way of bringing the family together,
31 a tradition she has passed on to her children and grandchildren; and

32 **WHEREAS**, Tan Ama's longevity is attributed to living a simple life,
33 being a devoted wife, a loving and caring mother, and a God-fearing
34 woman; and

35 **WHEREAS** Tan Ama's devotion to her faith and dedication to her
36 family is evident today, as she is blessed with 61 grandchildren, 183 great
37 grandchildren, 116 great-great grandchildren, and one (1) great-great-great
38 grandchild; and

39 **WHEREAS**, Tan Ama's family is looking forward in celebrating her
40 101th birthday on May 9th, 2011; and now therefore, be it

41 **RESOLVED**, *I Mina'Trentai Unu Na Liheslaturan Guåhan*, does
42 hereby, on behalf of the People of Guam, recognize Ms. Maria Naputi
43 Mantanona on her one hundred and first (101st) birthday; and be it further

44 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the
45 Chairman of the Committee on Rules certify, and the Secretary of the
46 Legislature attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be
47 thereafter transmitted to; and to the Honorable Edward J. B. Calvo, *I*
48 *Maga'lahaen Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON
RULES OF I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
ON THE _____ DAY OF APRIL, 2011**

JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D
Speaker

RORY RESPICIO
Chairman, Committee on Rules

TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES
Legislative Secretary