

Resolution No. 99-31 (L>)

Introduced by:

J.T. Won Pat, Ed.D

RELATIVE TO HONORING JOHN L. KERR BEING SELECTED AS THE 2011 INDIVIDUAL LAUREATE TO BE INDUCTED INTO THE GUAM BUSINESS HALL OF FAME AND TO FURTHER EXTENDING A SINCERE UN DANGKOLO NA SI YU'OS MA' ASE TO HIM FOR THE OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTIONS HE HAS MADE FOR THE BETTERMENT OF OUR ISLAND COMMUNITY.

- BE IT RESOLVED BY I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA
- 2 LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN:
- 3 WHEREAS, Mr. John L. Kerr spent his life serving our country and
- 4 building the local economy of our Island; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Mr. Kerr came to Guam in the late 60's and bought
- 6 Guam Dry Cleaners, and built that company into a significant tourism and
- 7 military support service by expanding the dry cleaners and building a linen
- 8 rental and laundry plant, International Linen Supply; and
- 9 **WHEREAS**, in this effort, Mr. Kerr was successful in creating a new
- industry for Guam that continues to this day, and that is locally staffed and
- 11 operated; and

- WHEREAS, Mr. Kerr was recognized for his skills in business by the Bank of Guam when the bank was in its founding stages, and he served on the board as Director and Secretary until his passing in 1991; and
- 15 **WHEREAS**, he ventured out into other industries in the 1970's, 16 including real estate, travel, and restaurants, and bought Guam Fast Foods, 17 making Kentucky Fried Chicken a fast food mainstay on our island; and
- WHEREAS, he founded Travel Pacificana, and built that business into one of the largest travel agencies on Guam; and
- WHEREAS, Mr. Kerr was instrumental in the development of apartment buildings of Guam Towers and Chamorro Gardens, as well as the Macheche Plaza retail complex; and
- WHEREAS, Mr. Kerr was an active civic participant, and served our community as Chairman of the Board for Guam Power Authority from 1979 to 1982, as a Board Member of The Employers Council and as the Chairman of the Board of Governors for St. John's School; and
- WHEREAS, in that aim, he also served as President of the Navy
  League of Guam, as the Director of the Guam Visitor's Bureau, and as
  President and Chairman of the Guam Chamber of Commerce; now,
  therefore be it,
- RESOLVED, that *I Mina'Trentai Unu Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the people of Guam, honor Mr. John L. Kerr on being selected as the 2011 Individual Laureate to be inducted into the Guam Business Hall of Fame, and does further extend a

sincere Un Dångkolo Na Si Yu'os Ma'åse' to her for the outstanding 35 contributions she has made for the betterment of our community; and, be it 36 further 37 RESOLVED, that the Speaker and the Legislative Secretary attest to 38 the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted 39 to the family of Mr. John L. Kerr, the Guam Chamber of Commerce and to 40 the Honorable Governor Edward Calvo, I Maga'lahen Guåhan. 41 DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE \_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_ 2011. Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D. Tina Rose Muña-Barnes

Senator and

Secretary of the Legislature

Speaker