

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

**Resolution No.** 133-31 (COR)

Introduced by

Sam Mabini, Ph.D.

**Relative to commending, honoring and extending an *Un Dangkolo Na Si Yu'os Ma'ase* to Monsignor Brigido Pedro Untalan Arroyo for his 50 years of service and stewardship within the Catholic Church and the community of Guam.**

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

**WHEREAS,** Father Brigido “Bibi” Untalan Arroyo was born on October 23, 1933 to Brigido and Olivia Arroyo and is the second in line of siblings which include brothers Ronald, Alfred, Joseph, Jesse and Raymond; and his sister, Sr. Marian Therese Arroyo; and

**WHEREAS,** it was through his family that he first developed his faith and strong moral values; and

**WHEREAS,** any individual that has the honor to work or associate themselves with Father Arroyo have words such as inspiration, faithful, compassion, service, family, modesty, loyalty and courage come to mind in describing the humbly dedicated man; and

1       **WHEREAS**, Father Bibi has served in several parishes in different  
2 capacities in the fifty (50) years; the parishes being Dulce Nombre de Maria Agana  
3 Cathedral, Our Lady of Guadalupe in Santa Rita, Nuestra Senora de las Aguas in  
4 Mongmong, Immaculate Heart of Mary in Toto, San Vicente in Barrigada, Blessed  
5 Luis de San Vitores in Tumon, San Dimas in Malesso and San Dioniso in Umatac,  
6 Guam Memorial Hospital, the Diocese of Chalan Kanoa, Santa Teresita in  
7 Mangilao, Immaculate Heart of Mary, Our Lady of Purification in Maina, Nino  
8 Perdido in Asan and St. Anthony-St. Victor Church in Tamuning ; and

9       **WHEREAS**, Father Arroyo followed the footsteps of his father and brother  
10 by enlisting with the U.S. military, serving as the “moral compass” for the U.S.  
11 Army on Guam as Chaplain from 1983-1993; becoming the first Chaplain of the  
12 Guam National Guard; and

13       **WHEREAS**, Father also served as an educator in Catholic schools including  
14 Academy of Our Lady of Guam (1961-1970, 1977-1981), Father Duenas Memorial  
15 High School (1961-1970), substituted at Notre Dame High School and Bishop  
16 Baumgartner Elementary School and serving as teacher and counselor at Lavrock  
17 Boy’s Home and St. Therese Elementary School in Pennsylvania (1975-1977); and

18       **WHEREAS**, serving as Director of Communications for the Archdiocese,  
19 Father Arroyo used the mass media to heighten the communication of the church’s  
20 teachings and was able to reach followers and devotees through recent innovations;  
21 he utilized outlets like the Pacific Voice and KUAM 610 AM & KATB (now K57)  
22 in the 60s and 70s, co-hosting the Rosary Hour; and

23       **WHEREAS**, one of the highlights of his position as Director of  
24 Communications was being part of the committee that welcomed and planned the  
25 itinerary for Pope John Paul II in 1992, personally providing the Pope with  
26 Chamorro phrases to use during the visit; and

1       **WHEREAS**, after graduating from Temple University in Philadelphia,  
2       Pennsylvania with a graduate degree in Social Communication, Father Arroyo's  
3       stance in social communication within the church was further institutionalized; he  
4       was called Guam's "Communicator of Christ"; and

5       **WHEREAS**, Father Bibi is also a member of UND or SIGNIS- the  
6       International Catholic Broadcast Association, he has been the Chaplain of the  
7       Daughters of Americas, Guam region, a group that gives attention to  
8       evangelization via media, member of the Catholic Press Association and  
9       conference presenter with numerous conferences around the world; and

10       **WHEREAS**, in October 2003, Father Arroyo was given the first Gabriel  
11       Award by the Diocese of Guam for his "tireless dedication as a servant of Christ  
12       and passionate communication of the Good News of God's love; and

13       **WHEREAS**, in May 2006, Pope Benedict XVI conferred the papal honor  
14       for Father Brigido Pedro Untalan Arroyo, along with Father David I.A. Quitugua,  
15       Father James L.G. Benavente and Father David C. Quitugua becoming Monsignori;  
16       and

17       **WHEREAS**, on paper alone Father Arroyo translates dedication, excellence  
18       and quality work, but it is in the opinions and testimonies of parishioners and other  
19       people who he has interacted with him that we hear the details that explain  
20       Monsignor Bibi: "his life has been service to his God," "his church and his  
21       people," "never one to turn away a person in need," "never one to give less than  
22       everything," "faithful servant and friend;" and

23       **WHEREAS**, his response to his life's works is found here as he has been  
24       quoted saying, "Fifty (50) years of priestly stewardship is nothing else than a  
25       surpassing worth of knowing, loving and serving Christ Jesus and His people."

1       **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina trenta I Uno Na*  
2 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, recognizes  
3 and commends Monsignor Brigido “Bibi” Pedro Untalan Arroyo for his fifty (50)  
4 years of service and stewardship of the Catholic Church and the island of Guam  
5 and further thanking him for his unparalleled contributions and be it further

6       **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairman of the Committee on Rules  
7 certify, and the Secretary of the Legislature attest to, the adoption hereof and that  
8 copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Monsignor Brigido Pedro Untalan  
9 Arroyo, the St. Anthony-St.Victor Parish, the Archdiocese of Guam and to the  
10 Honorable Edward J.B. Calvo, *I Maga’lahan Guahan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON  
RULES OF *I MINA’TRENTA I UNO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* ON  
THIS \_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF JUNE 2011.**

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**JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D**  
**Speaker**

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**RORY J. RESPICIO**  
**Chairperson, Committee on Rules**

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**TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES**  
**Legislative Secretary**



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**Sam Mabini, Ph.D.**

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## Memorandum

**To:** All Senators  
**From:** Senator Sam A. Mabini  
**Date:** 6/7/2011  
**Re:** Resolution No. 133-31 (COR) Presentation

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*Buenas yan Hafa Adai!*

Please join me in presenting Resolution No. 133-31 (COR)  
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On Friday, June 10, 2011 at Hyatt Regency Hotel  
Presentation Time is 7:00pm.

I look forward to your attendance and participation

*Si Yu'os Ma'ase.*

Senseramente,

Senator Sam Mabini, PhD.

**Cc:** Clerk of the Legislature  
Sergeant at Arms  
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