

I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUAHAN
2011 (-----) Regular Session

Resolution No. 271-31 (Leon)

Introduced by:

Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr.

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**RELATIVE TO COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING
MS. MACHELLE “MIKI” CRAIG-LEON GUERRERO,
CHIEF PLANNER OF THE BUREAU OF STATISTICS AND
PLANS ON THE OCCASION OF HER RETIREMENT AND
TO EXTEND OUR MOST GRATEFUL *UN DANGKOLU NA SI
YU’OS MA’ASE’* FOR HER 34 YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE
GOVERNMENT OF GUAM AND THE PEOPLE OF GUAM.**

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

WHEREAS, Machelles “Miki” Craig-Leon Guerrero, Chief Planner, will retire on December 16, 2011, after completing 34 years actual government service at the Bureau of Statistics and Plans (Bureau of Planning); and,

WHEREAS, Ms. Craig graduated from the University of Nebraska with a dual major in Sociology and Social Work in 1975; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Craig first started as a Social Worker II with Lancaster Country Welfare, a Program Advocate with Lincoln Action Program and Group Social Worker with Malone Community Center in Lincoln, Nebraska, advocating and facilitating social programs to those in need from 1975 to 1977; and

WHEREAS, through mutual love and affection, Ms. Craig decided to follow her heart and relocate to Guam to start a family with Mr. Vincent Leon Guerrero; and,

1 **WHEREAS**, on February 13, 1978, Ms. Leon Guerrero began her career
2 with the government as a Planner I with the Socio-Economic Division, Bureau of
3 Planning; and,

4 **WHEREAS**, through satisfactory performance of job tasks, was elevated to
5 a Planner II in 1978, a Planner III in 1979, reclassified to a Planner II in 1980,
6 promoted to a Planner III in 1981, and within three years was promoted to a
7 Planner IV in 1984; and,

8 **WHEREAS**, Ms. Leon Guerrero has served under ten executive branch
9 administrations with three governors serving two consecutive four year terms,
10 served under nine directors, went through a name change for the Bureau of
11 Planning, and saw the merger of the Department of Commerce and the Guam
12 Health Planning Division to the Bureau of Statistics and Plans; and,

13 **WHEREAS**, in 1983 for her outstanding achievement, Ms. Leon Guerrero
14 received a Meritorious Award for her efforts in helping to develop the Social
15 Welfare Guidelines and compiling complex research contributing to Federal
16 Constraints and Surplus Federal Lands; and,

17 **WHEREAS**, in 1997 after nineteen years with the Bureau of Planning and
18 helping to shape the Island's social, physical, economic, and environmental
19 development, was promoted to Chief Planner; and,

20 **WHEREAS**, throughout the next fourteen years, she served as the Chief
21 Planner and numerous appointments as Acting Director of the Bureau of Statistics
22 and Plans; and,

23 **WHEREAS**, in her 34 years of government service she has been involved in
24 complex, sensitive projects in social, economic, environmental and capital
25 improvement planning, the development of numerous comprehensive development
26 plans, organized and administered research studies, analyses in land use,
27 infrastructure improvement, environmental requirements, the initial application and

1 release of federal lands, the development, implementation and administration of
2 numerous criminal justice grants, state clearinghouse technical reviews,
3 development of the criminal history and automation of criminal justice plans,
4 development of office space utilization, coordination of numerous regional and
5 international organizations, provided numerous legislative reviews and testimonies
6 to name just a few, and providing administrative guidance on personnel issues;
7 and,

8 **WHEREAS**, throughout her career in government she served as the primary
9 liaison with public and private organizations, served in numerous strategic
10 planning councils and coordinating committees, and received numerous
11 commendations from the Attorney General, the Chief Prosecutor, and from the
12 Guam Legislature on her professionalism and knowledge of federal grant
13 programs, especially drug grants; and,

14 **WHEREAS**, as a long-time member of the Bureau of Statistics and Plans,
15 she is recognized for her outstanding work for the Bureau and will be missed for
16 her valuable and institutional knowledge and contributions to the island's social,
17 physical, economic and environmental development; now, therefore, be it

18 **RESOLVED**, that I Mina'trentai Unu na Liheslaturan Guåhan does hereby
19 commend and congratulate Ms. Machel "Miki" Craig-Leon Guerrero on the
20 occasion of her retirement from the Bureau of Statistics and Plans and the
21 Government of Guam; and expresses a sincere *Un Dangkulu Na Si Yu'os Ma'åse'*
22 to her husband, Vincent Leon Guerrero, and her children, Kamia and Atisa, and
23 son-in-law John Paul Dierking, in recognition of her 34 years of service; and does
24 further extend best wishes to Ms. Leon Guerrero as she enters the ranks of the
25 retired class, though will not be fully retired, as she is looking at exploring the
26 possibility of pursuing her master's degree or venture into the dynamic world of
27 community service or business; and be it further

1 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and Chairperson of the Committee on Rules
2 certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption thereof, and that copies
3 of the same be thereafter be transmitted to Ms. Machelie Craig-Leon Guerrero; to
4 Mr. Thomas A. Morrison, Director, Bureau of Statistics and Plans; and to the
5 Honorable Edward J.B. Calvo, *I Maga'låhen Guåhan*.

6 **DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON**
7 **RULES OF *I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* ON**
8 **THE --- DAY OF December 2011.**

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

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 Chairman, Committee on Rules

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13 **TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES**
14 **Legislative Secretary**