

*I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN*  
**2012(SECOND) Regular Session**

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**Resolution No. 399-31 (LS)**

Introduced by:

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**RELATIVE TO RECOGNIZING HONORING  
MRS. MARIA NAPUTI MANTANONA AS SHE  
CELEBRATES HER ONE HUNDRED AND  
SECOND (102<sup>ND</sup>) YEAR OF LIFE AND FURTHER  
COMMENDING HER AS A “2012 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**, Maria married Pedro Meno Mantanona on February 26,

4       1926 and together they raised twelve (12) children, seven (7) sons and five

5       (5) daughters; and

6       **WHEREAS**, “Ama”, as she is fondly called by family members and

7       all who know her is the eldest of twelve (12) siblings. She has one (1)

8       surviving sister, Antonia Naputi Reyes, who is eighty-eight(88) years old

9       and resides in the village of Talofofu; and

10           **WHEREAS**, being the eldest child, a lot of responsibilities were  
11 placed on “Tan Ama”, which included having to look after her siblings,  
12 upkeep of the family home, laundry, sewing and preparing meals. She  
13 learned to cook and sew from her grandmother, her teacher and mentor, and  
14 the memories of her grandmother impacted her relationship with her family,  
15 devoting her entire 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 a wood-burning stove. She is  
18 well-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 âpan lemmi* (bread fruit cooked  
22 in coconut milk), taro, bananas, and eating lots 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 (3)

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

32 **WHEREAS**, “Tan Ama’s” longevity is attributed to living a simple  
33 life, 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 sixty-one (61) grandchildren,  
37 one hundred and eighty-three (183) great grandchildren, and one hundred  
38 and nineteen (119) great-great grandchildren, and one (1) great-great-great  
39 grandchild; and

40 **WHEREAS**, Tan Ama’s family is looking forward in celebrating her  
41 102<sup>nd</sup> birthday on May 9th, 2012; and now therefore, be it

42 **RESOLVED**, *I Mina'Trentai Unu Na Liheslaturan Guåhan*, does  
43 hereby, on behalf of the People of Guam, recognize Ms. Maria Naputi  
44 Mantanona on her one hundred and second (102<sup>nd</sup>) birthday; and be it further

45 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the  
46 Chairman of the Committee on Rules certify, and the Secretary of the  
47 Legislature attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be  
48 thereafter transmitted to; and to the Honorable Edward J. B. Calvo, *I*  
49 *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, 2012**

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

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**RORY RESPICIO**  
**Chairman, Committee on Rules**

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