

I MINA' TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
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Resolution No. 417-31 (opp.)

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Relative to posthumously recognizing and honoring the late Angustia Baza Tainatongo Rivera for dedicating many years of her life to the care of people who were in need of help; and to extending a sincere *Un Dangko'lo Na Yu'os Ma'åse'* to the family for the outstanding contributions she had made to the betterment of our island community.

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

WHEREAS, Angustia Baza Tainatongo Rivera was born on September 22, 1934 in the Village of Merizo, where she later moved to live in Agat, and then eventually moving to Mangilao where she resided since 1969; and

WHEREAS, Angustia Baza Tainatongo Rivera, was fondly known to her brothers and sisters as "Angustia"; to her Grandchildren as "Grandma Rivera"; to her nieces and nephews "Auntie Uta or Auntie Gus"; to her friends and business associates as "Angie" and to God as "Angel"; and

WHEREAS, Angustia is the daughter of Gregorio S.N. Tainatongo and Dolores Baza Tainatongo, the 3rd oldest of 10 children, with 6 brothers: Jose (dec); Vicente (Alabama); Ramon (Merizo); Gregorio (Merizo); Vinancio (Washington); and Geronimo (Merizo); and 3 sisters: Maria (dec); Dolores (Agana Springs); and Josephine (Washington); and

1 **WHEREAS**, Angustia was previously married to Jesus S. Rivera and were
2 the proud parents of four (4) children; namely: Roland, Ralph, Eloise and Pinky;
3 and

4 **WHEREAS**, for over 42 years, Angustia was an Independent Business
5 Owner working as a Mary Kay beauty consultant, whereby she ranked #93 (top
6 100) out of 1.8 million Mary Kay consultants world-wide; and

7 **WHEREAS**, Angustia was devoted to God, her family, and her career,
8 whereby her life revolved around helping others in need, she was an educator of
9 "work for what you need", a mentor of "quit feeling sorry for yourself and get up
10 and do something about it"; and

11 **WHEREAS**, Angustia carried out the Corporal Works of Mercy by feeding
12 those who were hungry, giving to those who were thirsty, sheltering those who
13 were homeless, clothing those who were naked, and visiting those who were sick;
14 and

15 **WHEREAS**, many times Angustia would literally drive around the island in
16 search of the homeless, bring them home and provide them with essentials as well
17 as a place of respite from the elements, and even with the mere income she was
18 making, she would create small jobs around the house so that these individuals
19 would work and she would give them some money so that they can learn how to
20 work and earn a living; and

21 **WHEREAS**, Angustia was a true servant of the Lord and spent many years
22 caring for her children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren, always teaching
23 them to love one another and to take care of each other, and to care for the less
24 fortunate and to treat them with dignity and respect; and

25 **WHEREAS**, if there is one memory that her children have of their mother is
26 that Angustia was always smiling and was never judgmental – always supporting

1 her children in everything that they did, giving them all unconditional love despite
2 their mistakes and flaws; and

3 **WHEREAS**, as she carried out her faith, Angustia's involvement in church
4 became more and more visible, she was a Christian Mother and a devotee of the
5 Devine Mercy, and as a devotee, she knew that "one lets the love and mercy of
6 God flow through one's own heart towards those who need it"; and

7 **WHEREAS**, Angustia always showed kindness to all the people she met,
8 offering her goodness to the many people she has touched in her lifetime – helping
9 hundreds of people through her work with the homeless; and

10 **WHEREAS**, it was on April 15, 2012 that Angustia Baza Tainatongo
11 Rivera passed away at the age of 77 years, whereby her passing leaves a void that
12 will be felt for many years to come, in both the family she loved and the island she
13 so selflessly served; now, therefore be it;

14 **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina' Trentai Unu Na*
15 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, posthumously
16 recognize and honor the late Angustia Baza Tainatongo Rivera for dedicating
17 many years of her life to the care of people who were in need of help; and to
18 extending a sincere *Un Dangko'lo Na Yu'os Ma'åse'* to the family for the
19 outstanding contributions she had made to the betterment of our island community;
20 and be it further

21 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on
22 Rules certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that
23 copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to the family of the late Angustia Baza
24 Tainatongo Rivera; and to the Honorable Edward J.B. Calvo, *I Maga'lahren*
25 *Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES
OF *I MINA' TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* ON THIS _____
DAY OF _____ 2012.**

JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D.
Speaker

RORY J. RESPICIO
Chairperson, Committee on Rules

TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES
Legislative Secretary