

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

Resolution No. 470-31 (Cor)

Introduced by:

Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr.

Relative to recognizing and commending Ms. Stephanie Velsmid on her retirement from Marianas Physician Group and to extend a sincere *Un Dangkolo Na Si Yu'os Ma'åse* for her nineteen years of medical service for the people of Guam.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF

I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN:

WHEREAS, Ms. Velsmid was born on August 3, 1951 in New York City. She was raised in Long Island until 8th grade when she moved to Connecticut where she attended Mercy high School; and

WHEREAS, after graduation from high school, Stephanie attended Carlow University in Pittsburgh for her Bachelor of Science in Nursing Degree, During her sophomore year she joined the Army Student Nurse Program to help pay for her education; and

WHEREAS, upon graduation from Carlow University, Ms. Velsmid became a first lieutenant and was stationed at Walter Reed General Hospital where she worked in a high risk labor and delivery unit; and

WHEREAS, after three (3) years at Walter Reed General Hospital, Stephanie retired from the Army and worked as a GYN-Oncologist nurse for two (2) years at Strong Memorial Hospital; and

1 **WHEREAS**, a year and a half later, Stephanie decided to go back to school
2 at the University of Arizona where she took courses to become an OB/GYN
3 Practitioner and worked as an OB/GYN Nurse Practitioner at the Alaska Native
4 Medical Center. She often flew to small Alaskan villages to give care and work
5 with health aides; and

6 **WHEREAS**, Ms. Velsmid then went to Salt Lake City, Utah where she was
7 the director of a teen pregnancy program. She later joined FHP Utah and worked
8 as a Nurse Practitioner in the OB/GYN clinic; and

9 **WHEREAS**, at the age of 40, Stephanie decided to return to school to
10 obtain a Masters of Science in Nursing in Nurse Midwifery at the University of
11 Utah. Upon completing her degree, Ms. Velsmid answered a call for volunteers to
12 work at FHP Guam for two (2) years; and

13 **WHEREAS**, after her two (2) years at FHP, Stephanie decided to stay on
14 island and then worked at The Doctors Clinic, PMC and lastly, Marianas
15 Physicians Group; and now, therefore be it

16 **RESOLVED**, the Committee on Rules of *I Mina'Trentai Una Na I*
17 *Liheslaturan Guåhan*, does hereby, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the
18 people of Guam, recognize and commend Ms. Stephanie Velsmid on her
19 retirement from Marianas Physicians Group and extend a sincere *Un Dångkolo Na*
20 *Si Yu'os Ma'åse'* for her nineteen years of medical service, delivering babies for
21 the community of Guam; and be it further

22 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on
23 Rules certify, and the Secretary of the Legislature attest to the adoption hereof, and
24 that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Ms. Stephanie Velsmid, CNM;
25 and to the Honorable Edward J.B. Calvo, *I Maga'lahen Guåhan*.

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

JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D
Speaker

RORY RESPICIO
Chairman, Committee on Rules

TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES
Legislative Secretary