

I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
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Resolution No. 477-31(Cor.)

Introduced by:

Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr. 

Relative to recognizing and commending St. Dominic's Senior Care Home on the occasion of their 25th Anniversary; and extending a sincere *Un Dangkolo Na Si Yu'os Ma'åse* for their service and dedication to Guam's elderly community.

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

3 **WHEREAS**, in November of 1982, †Archbishop Felixberto Flores donated
4 the land in Barrigada Heights where St. Dominic's Senior Care Home is located
5 today. The land was originally donated by †Rosa Flores to the Archdiocese of
6 Agana, with the request to build a home for the aged on Guam; and

7 **WHEREAS**, the groundbreaking and laying of the cornerstone ceremonies
8 for the St. Dominic's Senior Care Home took place on October 13, 1984 and were
9 officiated by then Auxillary Bishop Anthony S. Apuron, OFMCap, DD. The home
10 was designed by †Architect Alfredo Arizala and constructed by Asanuma
11 Construction Company; and

12 **WHEREAS**, on October 11, 1986, Archbishop Anthony Apuron, OFMCap,
13 DD officiated the solemn blessing at the inauguration of the facility and Sr. Ma. Fe
14 Dural was appointed as the first administrator of St. Dominic's Senior Care Home.

1 The blessing ceremony was attended by †Governor Ricardo Bordallo; local
2 dignitaries; the Superior General of the Dominican Sisters, Sr. Ma. Luisa Manteca;
3 and Sisters from Taiwan and Guam; and

4 **WHEREAS**, the St. Dominic's Senior Care Home was officially opened on
5 July 11, 1987 and received its first residents, mostly coming from the Guam
6 Memorial Hospital; and

7 **WHEREAS**, Sr. Emelita Cinco, the current administrator of the home, was
8 appointed to that position in March of 2003 after Sr. Ma. Fe Dural passed away
9 following a heart surgery in the Philippines; and

10 **WHEREAS**, St. Dominic's Senior Care Home was extensively damage in
11 the December 8, 2002 Supertyphoon Pongsona and underwent major
12 improvements and renovations; and

13 **WHEREAS**, St. Dominic's Senior Care Home is a sixty (60) bed facility
14 that is designated as an intermediate care facility (ICF). The residents who are
15 admitted and cared for are elderly people who cannot care for themselves, but
16 whose level of care is below the acute and skilled nursing level. These elderly
17 people usually suffer from a variety of diseases, such as hypertension, diabetes,
18 dementia and stroke; and

19 **WHEREAS**, the care givers at St. Dominic's Senior Care Home offer
20 Intermediate Care Nursing Service and Short-term Respite Care Service; and

21 **WHEREAS**, since its inception 25 years ago, St. Dominic's Senior Care
22 Home has admitted 549 residents into its facility. The average age of the residents
23 is 78 and there are currently 35 women and 23 men residing in the home and being
24 cared for; and now, therefore be it

25 **RESOLVED**, the Committee on Rules of *I Mina'Trentai Una Na I*
26 *Liheslaturan Guåhan*, does hereby, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the
27 people of Guam, recognize and commend St. Dominic's Senior Care Home on the

1 occasion of their 25th Anniversary and extend a sincere *Un Dangkolo Na Si Yu'os*
2 *Ma'åse* for their service and dedication to Guam's elderly community; and be it
3 further

4 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on
5 Rules certify, and the Secretary of the Legislature attest to the adoption hereof, and
6 that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Sr. Emelita Cinco,
7 Administrator of St. Dominic's Senior Care Home; and to the Honorable Edward
8 J.B. Calvo, *I Maga'lahaen Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES
OF *I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* 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