

I MINA 'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
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Resolution No. 491-31 (COR)

Introduced by:

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RELATIVE TO RECOGNIZING MR. JACKSON LEIBSLE BAKER AS AN AIR CARGO PIONEER IN BOTH GUAM AND THE PHILIPPINES, AND IN CONGRATULATING HIS FAMILY AND THE STAFF OF J. L. BAKER & SONS FOR THEIR ECONOMIC CONTRIBUTION TO THE GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT OF GUAM THROUGH 40 YEARS OF DELIVERING FAITHFUL, DEDICATED AND CONTINUOUS TRANSPORTATION SERVICES TO THE PEOPLE OF GUAM.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF *I Mina'Trentai Unu NA Liheslaturan Guåhan*:

WHEREAS, Mr. Jackson Leibsle Baker was born in Torrence, California. During WWII he served in the United States Coast Guard where he was later deployed to the Philippines. After the liberation of Guam and the end of World War II, Mr. Baker left California and relocated to the Philippines, where he met and married Miss Narcisa Salvatierra of Jaro, Leyte in 1947; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Baker worked to help build Clark Air Force Base for the US, and in October 1950 founded the very first Air Cargo Company in the Philippines - LBC Air Cargo Inc. (now known as LBC Express Inc.). LBC Air Cargo subsequently became one of the largest air cargo companies in the Philippines, branching out to multiple locations in the chain islands; and

WHEREAS, in 1968 Mr. Baker opened the Air Express International (AEI) branch office in Manila, now a major air cargo forwarder in the Philippines; and

WHEREAS, in 1969 Mr. Baker came to Guam to open up the first Air Cargo company on Guam, named Island Air Express Inc.; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Baker showed foresight in recognizing the potential of the shipping freight handling industry and the significant impact it had on the growth of Guam businesses, when in January 1972 he founded J. L. Baker & Sons with minimal seed capital and one pick-up truck, and the company has been incorporated by the five children of Jackson: Lynn, Glenn, Lloyd, Katherine, and Carol in which his two sons are actively involved in the day to day operations of the family business; and

WHEREAS, J. L. Baker & Sons' first project on Guam was the packing and transportation of household goods by air for military personnel in transit during the Veteran War era, and the company was later designated as the Guam agent for Vanpac Carrier; and

WHEREAS, in the 1980's, J. L. Baker & Sons was awarded the contract by GSA to move all of the offices of the federal government into a single location in the PDN Building

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(now the DNA building) in Hagatna; and

WHEREAS, over the years, J. L. Baker and Sons has been Guam's leading transportation and logistics services company, transporting the majority of the construction materials for most of the hotels in Tumon, as well as the Micronesian Mall, Gibson Mall (now GPO), and other major projects; and

WHEREAS, J. L. Baker & Sons has been Guam's agent for many successful freight companies, including United Parcel Service (now UPS), Dependable Hawaiian Express (now DHX), SKYPAK (now TNT), to name a few; and

WHEREAS, in 1985, Mr. Jackson Leibsle Baker, the founder of J. L. Baker & Sons, passed away leaving the business to be carried on by his wife Mrs. Narcisa Baker and their two sons, Lynn and Glenn; and

WHEREAS, in 1998, Mrs. Narcisa Baker, wife of the founder of J. L. Baker & Sons, passed away, and the business was incorporated as Baker International Inc. doing business as (DBA) J. L. Baker & Sons; and

WHEREAS, J. L. Baker & Sons is an International Air Transport Association (IATA) Cargo Network Services (CNS) endorsed agent offering secure, integrated transportation services; and

WHEREAS, in 2012 J. L. Baker & Sons celebrated 20 years of faithful and continuous service to UPS, now one of the largest freight handling companies in the world, as its Guam agent; and

WHEREAS, J. L. Baker & Sons is now the Guam agent for LBC Express Inc. of the Philippines, the company Mr. Jackson Leibsle Baker originally founded in 1950; now therefore be it;

RESOLVED, that the Legislature acknowledges and recognizes Mr. Jackson Leibsle Baker as an air cargo pioneer in both Guam and the Philippines; and be it further

RESOLVED, the Legislature congratulates his family and the staff of J. L. Baker and Sons for faithfully and continuously providing transportation services to the people of Guam for 40 years; and be it further;

RESOLVED, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to the Guam Chamber of Commerce, Lynn Baker, President, and Glenn Baker, Vice-President, Baker International Inc. DBA J. L. Baker & Sons and to the Honorable Edward J.B. Calvo, *I Maga'lahaen Guahan*.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE
ON RULES OF *I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN*
GUÁHAN ON THE __TH DAY OF__.

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