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

Resolution No. 627-31 (Corr)

Introduced by:

Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr. *[Signature]*

Relative to commending and congratulation Mrs. Shelly V. Calvo on the launch of Cooking A La Diva Inspirational Cookbook and celebrating the Fifth (5th) Anniversary of the Dining Diva column in the Pacific Daily News and extend a warm *Un Dangkolo Na Si Yu'us Ma'ase* for sharing her talents and serving our island community.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF

I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN:

WHEREAS, Shelly V. Calvo discovered her passion for cooking and good food at a very young age. With the guidance of her grandmother, who was a restaurateur, and her mother who had the same passion for cooking, Shelly started creating her recipes as early as the age of twelve (12); and

WHEREAS, in 2002, Shelly opened a catering company in the Philippines called FUD, which also delivered packed lunches to offices in Makati district. In 2004, she moved to Guam and opened Club Manila that became famous for its “pupus” that was made with Shelly’s recipes. In 2006, she also opened The Whole Enchilada, a Mexican restaurant featuring her best Mexican dishes; and

1 **WHEREAS**, she was always innovative and finding ways to express her
2 talents and skills to the community around her. Shortly after opening her
3 restaurant, she started writing for her own column, Dining Diva, in the Pacific
4 Daily News in 2007. Her column focuses on inspiring individuals to better
5 appreciate life in general as it promotes perseverance, life understanding, goal-
6 attainment, overcoming hardships. The Dining Diva column has been very
7 successful as it gained attention to the community while also sharing her original
8 recipes. Her recipes are also a commemoration of the past, inspired by Guam's
9 palette and giver of inspiration to creating better dishes in the future; and

10 **WHEREAS**, in her efforts to even more inspire her readers, Shelly has
11 decided to create this monumental project that took over a year to complete. A year
12 ago, she started creating recipes to compile for her first cookbook. Shelly wanted
13 to create a special culinary compilation so she also added original inspirational
14 thoughts she has created, thus the birthing of Cooking A La Diva Inspirational
15 cookbook. The recipes in the book have never been published in her column. In
16 this cookbook, Shelly also extended the opportunity to inspire the community by
17 inviting inspirational women go Guam to submit their stories and delicious recipes;
18 and

19 **WHEREAS**, today, she is involved in various projects and also managing
20 Diva Café, which opened in 2011 and serves healthy and delicious recipes. In
21 addition, she is the president of MASA Bar & Restaurant; and

22 **WHEREAS**, Shelly has been active in her civic and humanitarian efforts as
23 she continues to participate and take membership in various community efforts
24 throughout the island. She is currently elected Chairwoman of the Board for Guam
25 Homeless Coalition, President of the Capizenos Association of Guam, Treasurer
26 for Hagatna Restoration and Revitalization Authority, a member of Lion's Club
27 Guamerica, and Director of the Filipino Community of Guam; and

1 **WHEREAS**, Shelly Calvo is also celebrating five years of success with the
2 Dining Diva column with the Pacific Daily News, which had inspired the inception
3 of her cookbook. Her inspirational cookbook will also benefit the Guam Homeless
4 Coalition as she pledged to donate a portion of her book sale to the coalition; and
5 now, be it further

6 **RESOLVED**, *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the people of Guam, commends
7 and congratulates Shelly V. Calvo in launching Cooking A La Diva Inspirational
8 Cookbook and celebrating the Fifth (5Th) Anniversary of the Dining Diva column
9 in the Pacific Daily News and extend a warm *Un Dangkolo Na Si Yu'os Ma'ase'*
10 for sharing her talents and serving our island community; and be it further

11 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on
12 Rules certify, and the Secretary of the Legislature attest to, the adoption hereof,
13 and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Shelly V. Calvo; Pacific
14 Daily News; and to the Honorable Edward J.B. Calvo, *I Maga'lahren Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES
OF *I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* ON THE 30th
DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2012.**

JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D
Speaker

RORY RESPICIO
Chairman, Committee on Rules

TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES
Legislative Secretary