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

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Resolution No. (233-31(268)

Introduced by:

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Relative to recognizing and commending Mrs. Nora Razo on the occasion of her retirement from the Department of Public Health and Social Services and extending a sincere *Un Dångkolo Na Si Yu'os Ma'åse* for her thirty-four (34) years of service to the island.

## BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF

- I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN:
- WHEREAS, Mrs. Nora Razo LPN II, has been working as a nurse for the
- 4 past thirty four (34) years. She started her career as a Licensed Practical Nurse in
- 5 May 1978. Mrs. Razo received an Associate of Science Degree in Nursing at the
- 6 University of Guam; and
- WHEREAS, Mrs. Razo has been married to, Mr. Benedicto Razo, an Army
- 8 Veteran for the past 39 wonderful years. Together, they have three (3) children,
- 9 Michelle, Cindy and Christopher Ben. Additionally, they are blessed with three
- beautiful grandchildren. Mrs. Razo loves orchids and will be tending to them along
- with her grandchildren by her side after her retirement; and
- WHEREAS, in her career as a professional nurse, Mrs. Razo developed a
- strong clinical background in individual and family care. She has a track record as

- an effective team player and is able to utilize systems approach in problem solving.
- 2 She is committed to the medical profession and also to quality patient care. Her
- 3 nursing style is to blend professionalism and compassion towards patient's medical
- 4 and emotional needs within the hospital and in the clinical facility environment.
- 5 She has been known to communicate well with doctors, colleagues, patients and
- 6 families; and

WHEREAS, on May 7, 1978, she began working at the Guam Memorial Hospital Agency at the OB Ward, Labor & Delivery and the Newborn Nursery. For twelve (12) years, she garnered nursing skills in caring for maternity patients and newborns. These skills included certifications in Intravenous Therapy, Electrocardiogram (ECG). Additionally, she took care of intermediate newborns in the incubators that require oxygen and special treatments. Mrs. Razo assessed comprehensive obstetric and gynecological history. She was a compassionate and caring nurse towards the women's and newborn's care. She continually provided professional nursing services towards the pregnant woman in labor and informs the family of any changes in the patient's care or status. She taught new mothers on the proper way to breastfeed their infants and continually advocates for breastfeeding. She was responsible in giving medications on obstetric and postpartum patients, monitoring IV fluids and conducting treatments as ordered by the doctors; and

WHEREAS, on April 18, 1991, she began working at PacifiCare, which is now known as FHP. Mrs. Razo was given high letters of recommendations by the doctors and her supervisor. She worked there for fourteen (14) years. In those years, she worked in the Urgent Care and IV therapy department and Pediatrics department. She participated in the management of patient flow, administering professional nursing care, pediatric physical examinations, childhood

immunizations and acute patient care such as asthma treatment and intravenous

2 therapy. She conducted diabetic teachings, hypertensive prevention, proper

3 nutrition in specific age groups, cast care, pain management and prevention of

4 injuries; and

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WHEREAS, since December 2003 and up to the present time, Mrs. Razo 5 has worked at the Department of Public Health Central Region Health Clinic 6 (CRHC) for a total of nine (9) years. During those years, she acquired knowledge 7 and professional nursing ability in the Maternal Child Health Clinics, 8 Communicable Disease Clinics, Immigration Clinics, Hansens (Leprosy) Clinics, 9 Immunization Clinics, Shriners Clinics and Genetics Clinics. She does not hesitate 10 to respond to medical emergencies within Public Health, such as responding to a 11 young female that required first aid care after a vasovagal episode at the 12 laboratory, a diabetic client feeling dizzy at the Food Stamp area and an elderly 13 man that was bitten by a dog while walking to Public Health. Administered 14 childhood vaccines such as Dtap, Polio, Prevnar, Measles-Mumps-Rubella, 15 Varicella, Rotavirus, MCV4, Hepatitis A, Hepatitis B, Human Papilloma Virus, 16 Tdap, Influenza, during the immunization clinics and teaches the parents on 17 vaccine possible side effects and nursing care. Was instrumental in identifying 18 children with Special Health Care Needs such as those with autism, cleft palate, 19 bowlegs during the Immunization Walk-in Clinics and refers them to the medical 20 social worker and clinicians for appropriate follow-up, such as at the Shriners 21 clinics which are held twice a year at CRHC; and 22

WHEREAS, Mrs. Razo has participated in numerous Public Health activities throughout her career such as being trained by the Department of Homeland Security to counter terrorism in Radiological Weapons of Mass Destruction in 2006 and 2007. Furthermore, she was trained as a first responder by the agency for Toxic Substances for Chemical Agents of Opportunity for Terrorism in 2008 and

- was instrumental in advocating for LPN recruitment and retention for PL 27-159;
- 2 and
- 3 WHEREAS, Mrs. Razo was also the recipient of of many awards for her
- 4 valuable contributions such as the 2009 Homeless Point-In-time Count, 2008
- 5 Guam Child Immunization Week, 2007 Adult Immunization Outreach,
- 6 Immunization Program in the 2007 Dental Fair, Nurse's Month in May 2006,
- 7 Nurse's Month May 2005. Additionally, she received other commendations such
- 8 as a letter was written to her by the DPHSS director to recognize her valuable
- 9 contribution, continuing support and dedication in providing needed medical care
- to the people of Guam in May 2012. Moreover, a letter of recognition was given to
- 11 Mrs. Razo for her valuable contribution at the Healthy Mothers Healthy Babies
- 12 Island Wide Health Fair in October 2010, a Governor's Certificate of Appreciation
- was given to her by Governor Felix P. Camacho on her participation for the First
- 14 Healthy Guam Fitness Fiesta in September 2007 and Another Governor's
- 15 Certificate of Appreciation was given by Governor Felix P. Camacho recognizing
- her for Guam's 2009 HINI Influenza Pandemic Response, dated April 2010; and
- now, therefore be it
- **RESOLVED**, the Committee on Rules of I Mina'Trentai Una Na I
- 19 Liheslaturan Guåhan, does hereby, on behalf of I Liheslaturan Guåhan and the
- 20 people of Guam, recognize and commend Mrs. Nora Razo on the occasion of her
- 21 retirement from the Department of Public Health and Social Services and extend a
- sincere Un Dångkolo Na Si Yu'os Ma'åse for her thirty four (34) years of service
- to the island; and be it further
- RESOLVED, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on
- Rules certify, and the Secretary of the Legislature attest to the adoption hereof, and
- that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Mrs. Nora Razo; and to the
- 27 Honorable Edward J.B. Calvo, *I Maga'lahen Guåhan*.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF <i>I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN</i> ON THE DAY OF DECEMBER, 2012.	
JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D Speaker	RORY RESPICIO Chairman, Committee on Rules
TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES Legislative Secretary	•