

*I Mina' Trentai Dos Na Liheslaturan Guåhan*  
**Resolutions Log Sheet**

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<b>39-32 (COR)</b>	Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr	Relative to recognizing and commending Mrs. Loida Nicolas Lewis as a leader of the Filipino-American community; and welcoming her to Guam as the National Chairwoman of the U.S. Pinoys for Good Governance.	02/13/2013 3:39 P.M.	02/19/2013 1:30 P.M.			<b>2/19/2013</b>



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## VOTING SHEET

**Resolution No. 39-32 (COR) Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr., T. R. Muña Barnes and Frank B. Aguon, Jr. - "Relative to recognizing and commending Mrs. Loida Nicolas Lewis as a leader of the Filipino-American community; and to further welcoming her to Guam as the National Chairwoman of the U.S. Pinoys for Good Governance".**

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	SIGNATURE	DATE	TO ADOPT	TO NOT ADOPT	TO ABSTAIN
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SENATOR THOMAS C. ADA Vice-Chairperson					
SPEAKER JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D. Member	E	2-19-13	✓		
VICE-SPEAKER BENJAMIN J.F. CRUZ Member	E	2-19-13	✓		
LEGISLATIVE SECRETARY TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES Member	E	2-18-13	✓		
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SENATOR DENNIS G. RODRIGUEZ, JR. Member	<i>[Signature]</i>	2-18-13	✓		
SENATOR FRANK BLAS AGUON, JR. Member	E	2-19-13	✓		
SENATOR MICHAEL F.Q. SAN NICOLAS Member					
SENATOR V. ANTHONY ADA Minority Member					
SENATOR ALINE YAMASHITA Minority Member					

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Sponsor Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ *[Signature]*

Staff Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_ *Cliffon Herbert*

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ *2-19-13*

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***I MINA'TRENTAI DOS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN***  
**2013 (FIRST) Regular Session**

**Resolution No. 39-32 (COR)**

Introduced by:

Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr.  
T. R. Muña Barnes  
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**Relative to recognizing and commending Mrs. Loida Nicolas Lewis as a leader of the Filipino-American community; and to further welcoming her to Guam as the National Chairwoman of the U.S. Pinoys for Good Governance.**

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

3           **WHEREAS**, Mrs. Loida Nicolas Lewis is a philanthropist and a leader of the  
4 Filipino-American community. She is one of the founders of the National Federation  
5 of Filipino American Associations (NaFFAA), an advocacy group in the United  
6 States. She is also one of the founders of the Asian American Legal Defense and

1 Education Fund (AALDEF), and the U.S. Pinoys for Good Governance (USP4GG),  
2 which was organized in May 2010 after the election of Benigno Simeon Aquino III as  
3 President of the Philippines. She is the National Chairwoman of the U.S. Pinoys for  
4 Good Governance; and

5 **WHEREAS**, Loida Nicolas Lewis is an American entrepreneur who served as  
6 the Chairwoman and CEO of TLC Beatrice International, a two billion dollar  
7 multinational food company with operations all across Europe, from 1994 to 2000.  
8 She assumed the leadership of one of the largest companies in the U.S. after the death  
9 of her husband, Wall Street financier Reginald F. Lewis, of African-American  
10 descent; and she won over a skeptical business community by moving quickly to sell  
11 assets, including the corporate jet, paying down debt, downsizing the New York  
12 corporate staff by 50 percent, and increasing earnings. After successfully running the  
13 company for six years, she completed the sale of TLC Beatrice and its related  
14 businesses in 2000, achieving a 35 percent return on investment for its shareholders;  
15 and

16 **WHEREAS**, in 1987, Loida's late husband, Reginald, a Harvard Law graduate,  
17 had bid for and won control of the international operations of Beatrice International in  
18 a one billion dollar leveraged buyout that at the time was the largest of its kind. In  
19 1992, Reginald F. Lewis was listed by Forbes Magazine as among the 400 wealthiest  
20 Americans. In 1995, Mrs. Loida Lewis appeared on the cover of Working Woman  
21 Magazine as the Top Business Woman in America; and

22 **WHEREAS**, currently, Mrs. Lewis is the Chairwoman and CEO of TLC  
23 Beatrice, LLC, a family investment firm. A lawyer by profession, and admitted to  
24 practice in the Philippines and New York, Mrs. Loida Nicolas Lewis was the first

1 Filipino woman to pass the New York bar without attending law school in the United  
2 States; and

3 **WHEREAS**, after having won her discrimination case against the U.S.  
4 Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) in 1987 and being awarded three years  
5 back pay, Mrs. Lewis served for ten years as General Attorney with the INS. She co-  
6 authored *How to Get A Green Card*, now in its 10th edition and a best-seller of its  
7 genre; and

8 **WHEREAS**, in 1998, in her hometown of Sorsogon, Mrs. Lewis funded the  
9 microfinance institution, People’s Alternative Livelihood Foundation of Sorsogon Inc.  
10 (PALFSI). The Foundation has since helped 20,000 families through micro-lending,  
11 helping to lift them out of poverty; and

12 **WHEREAS**, in 1999, also in Sorsogon, Mrs. Lewis founded The Lewis  
13 College (TLC). The school offers Pre-K through high school and college coursework,  
14 including a six-month TESDA approved nursing assistant course. TLC is now  
15 recognized throughout the Bicol Region as a champion in information technology,  
16 having won a regional competition in 2010; and

17 **WHEREAS**, Mrs. Lewis is the Chairperson of the Reginald F. Lewis  
18 Foundation, which has donated millions of dollars to Harvard Law School, the  
19 Reginald F. Lewis Museum of Maryland’s African-American History and Culture,  
20 and Virginia State University. There is a Reginald F. Lewis International Law  
21 Building at Harvard, dedicated in April 1994; and the Reginald F. Lewis School of  
22 Business at Virginia State University, renamed in November 2012; and

23 **WHEREAS**, Loida Lewis also supports the Asian American Legal Defense and  
24 Education Fund, the Asian Pacific American Legal Center, the Asian Pacific Islander  
25 Coalition on HIV/AIDS, the Asian Pacific American Film, the Asian American Arts

1 Alliance, the Asian American Federation of New York, the Asian American  
2 Foundation, the Diversity Theater, and the Ma-Yi Theater; and

3 **WHEREAS**, Mrs. Loida Lewis actively participated in the 2008 and 2012  
4 campaigns of President Barack Obama by being a major contributor and an active  
5 volunteer. She participated in voter registrations, phone banks, and get out the vote  
6 drives in Pennsylvania, Florida, Ohio, California, Indiana and New York. Mrs. Lewis  
7 also represented President Obama in a debate opposite a representative of Governor  
8 Mitt Romney hosted by The Filipino Channel (TFC), which aired in November 2012  
9 to over a million Filipinos in the U.S.; and

10 **WHEREAS**, Mrs. Lewis was recently elected to the Board of Directors of the  
11 National Catholic Reporter and the Apollo Theater Foundation. She speaks several  
12 languages, including Filipino, English, French and Spanish; and

13 **WHEREAS**, Mrs. Lewis has two daughters, who are both *cum laude* A.B.  
14 graduates of Harvard University; Leslie is an actor and Christina is a freelance writer,  
15 following a five-year stint as a columnist for the Wall Street Journal. She has three  
16 grandchildren, Christian, Savilla and Calvin; and two sons-in-law, Gavin Sword and  
17 Dan Halpern; now therefore, be it

18 **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina'Trentai Dos Na*  
19 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the people  
20 of Guam, recognize and commend Mrs. Loida Nicolas Lewis as a leader of the  
21 Filipino-American community; and does further welcome her to Guam as the National  
22 Chairwoman of the U.S. Pinoys for Good Governance; and be it further

23 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules  
24 certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of

- 1 the same be thereafter transmitted to Mrs. Loida Nicolas Lewis; and to the Honorable
- 2 Edward J.B. Calvo, *I Maga'lahen Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF  
*I MINA'TRENTAI DOS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* ON THE 19<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF  
FEBRUARY 2013.**



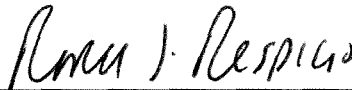
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**JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D.**  
Speaker



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**RORY J. RESPICIO**  
Chairman, Committee on Rules



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**RORY J. RESPICIO**  
Acting Legislative Secretary