

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

<b>Resolution No.</b>	<b>Sponsor</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Date Intro</b>	<b>Date of Presentation</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>	<b>Committee / Ofc Referred</b>	<b>Date Adopted</b>
<b>117-32 (LS)</b>	Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr., Tina R. Muna Barnes, Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D.	RELATIVE TO RECOGNIZING AND HONORING MS. IRENE F. LAYGO AS SHE CELEBRATES HER ONE HUNDREDTH (101ST) YEAR OF LIFE AND FURTHER COMMENDING HER AS A "2013 SENIOR CITIZENS' MONTH CENTENARIAN."	4/30/2013 9:28 a.m.	05/08/13			<b>4/30/2013</b>

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**2013 (FIRST) Regular Session**

**Resolution No. 117-32 (LS)**

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**Relative to recognizing and honoring Mrs. Irene F. Laygo as she celebrates the 101<sup>st</sup> year of her life; and to further commending her as a “2013 Senior Citizens’ Month Centenarian.”**

1 **BE IT RESOLVED BY *I MINA'TRENTAI DOS NA LIHESLATURAN***  
2 ***GUÅHAN*:**

3 **WHEREAS**, Mrs. Irene Fernandez Laygo was born on September 20, 1912,  
4 in San Fabian, a municipality in the province of Pangasinan, Philippines; and she is  
5 the daughter of Federico and Marciano Fernandez; and

6 **WHEREAS**, while attending Lingayen High School in Pangasinan,  
7 Philippines, she met and fell in love with Lawrence E. Laygo, Sr.; and she

1 eventually joined hands in marriage with her high school sweetheart on June 20,  
2 1934, at the San Fabian Catholic Church in Pangasinan, Philippines. Together, the  
3 couple was blessed with seven children: †Irene, Lawrence Jr., Elpidio, Felicitas,  
4 Jaime, Cristeta and Angel; and

5       **WHEREAS**, when Irene’s husband moved to Guam in 1948 to find work,  
6 she was left with her seven children to care for and raise on her own. As a way to  
7 support her children, she opened a small store, called a *sari-sari*, in the Philippines,  
8 where she also sold tobacco by traveling from town to town. Although she and her  
9 husband were apart, Irene’s husband would take a yearly vacation to the  
10 Philippines to live with his family for a while; and

11       **WHEREAS**, eventually, Irene moved to Guam in September 1968 to join  
12 her husband. While on Guam, she no longer had to work as she became a full-time  
13 mother to her children. She dedicated herself to her family and sacrificed as much  
14 as she could to provide her children with the best opportunities, and which  
15 eventually led her children to become professionals, such as chemical and  
16 professional engineers, registered nurse, businesswoman, teacher, social worker,  
17 and medical technician; and

18       **WHEREAS**, when Irene’s children started their own families, she became  
19 the primary babysitter for all of her grandchildren, even those who lived in the  
20 United States, as Irene and her husband spent a year in Los Angeles, California, to  
21 help care for their grandchildren. Her children view their mother as a loving  
22 mother who gives of her time to take care of everyone; and

23       **WHEREAS**, throughout the years, Irene and her husband continued to work  
24 to create a compassionate, welcoming family, where everyone is treated with  
25 dignity and respect. On September 18, 2004, Irene and her husband celebrated  
26 their 70<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary. Her family planned and coordinated a big

1 celebration, which included a presentation of a Legislative Resolution to the couple  
2 from the 27<sup>th</sup> Guam Legislature, and a Proclamation from Governor Felix  
3 Camacho proclaiming September 18, 2004, as “Lawrence and Irene Laygo, Sr.,  
4 Day” in recognition of their 70<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary; and

5       **WHEREAS**, as they both grew older, Irene and her husband took up  
6 residency at the St. Dominic’s Senior Care Home. Irene was married to Lawrence  
7 for 73 years, until his passing on August 17, 2006, at the age of 92. Their long life  
8 together is attributable to the love they had for each other, as well as for their deep  
9 faith in God; and

10       **WHEREAS**, aside from taking care of her children and grandchildren, Irene  
11 enjoyed planting vegetables, such as eggplant, string beans and kang kong; and she  
12 loved to eat fish and vegetables. She enjoyed dancing with her husband, especially  
13 at the *Astumbo* Senior Center, as they were devoted participants rising early each  
14 morning to prepare themselves for participation at the Senior Center. Irene also  
15 enjoyed attending the Senior Center, as she participated in various activities, such  
16 as playing cards, dancing, and going out to hotels. One year, she was the Senior  
17 Center’s representative for the *Rai Yan LaRaina* event, where she was crowned as  
18 a “Princess” in the royal court; and

19       **WHEREAS**, today, Irene continues to be well-cared for at St. Dominic’s  
20 Senior Care Home. She loves eating peas, pancit and puto, and she looks forward  
21 to the weekly visits from her daughter and son-in-law as they always bring her  
22 these treats to enjoy. Today, Irene is blessed with 19 grandchildren, 10 great  
23 grandchildren, and two great-great-grandchildren; now therefore, be it

24       **RESOLVED**, that *I Mina'Trentai Dos Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does  
25 hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, recognize and honor Mrs. Irene F. Laygo

1 as she celebrates the 101<sup>st</sup> year of her life; and does further commend her as a  
2 “2013 Senior Citizens Month Centenarian”; and be it further

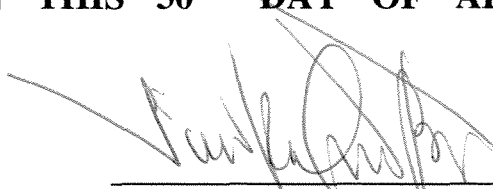
3 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest  
4 to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to  
5 Mrs. Irene F. Laygo; and to the Honorable Edward J.B. Calvo, *I Maga’lahen*  
6 *Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY *I MINA'TRENTAI DOS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* ON THIS 30<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF APRIL 2013.**



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



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**TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES**  
Legislative Secretary