

I Mina' Trentai Dos Na Lihelaturan Guåhan

Resolutions Log Sheet

Resolution No.	Sponsor	Title	Date Intro	Date of Presentation	Date Referred	Committee / Ofc Referred	Date Adopted
<b>490-32 (LS)</b>	T.R. Muña Barnes B.J. F. Cruz Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D.	Relative to recognizing and congratulating Bernadette Marie San Nicolas Chargualaf, fondly known as "Bennette" or "Bernie" on the occasion of her retirement as the Administrative Director, Public Defender Service Corporation (PDSC) after thirty six (36) years of hard work and dedication to the Government of Guam; and to further extending Un Dangkolo Na Si Yu'os Ma'åse' to her for her faithful service to the people of Guam.	10/24/14 4:21 p.m.	10/28/14 12:30 p.m.			<b>10/24/14</b>

**IMINA'TRENTAI DOS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN**  
**2014 (SECOND) Regular Session**

**Resolution No. 490-32 (LS)**

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**Relative to recognizing and congratulating Bernadette Marie San Nicolas Chargualaf, fondly known as “Bennette” or “Bernie,” on the occasion of her retirement as the Administrative Director of the Public Defender Service Corporation (PDSC) after thirty-six (36) years of hard work and dedication to the government of Guam; and to further extending *Un Dângkolo Na Si Yu'os Ma'åse'* to her for her faithful service to the people of Guam.**

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

3        **WHEREAS,** Bernadette Marie San Nicolas Chargualaf was born on May 19,  
4 1955; and is the second child of †Vicente C. San Nicolas and Ana L. San Nicolas;  
5 and

6        **WHEREAS,** Bernadette Marie San Nicolas Chargualaf is married to Joseph  
7 G. Chargualaf, and they are members of the *Hagåtña Dulce Nombre de Maria*  
8 Cathedral-Basilica Choir. They are blessed with a son, Mark Andrew S.N.

1 Chargualaf, and his wife Meghan; and are also blessed with two (2) beautiful  
2 granddaughters, Gemma and Gianna; and

3 **WHEREAS**, Bernadette Marie San Nicolas Chargualaf is a 1973 graduate of  
4 John F. Kennedy High School; and in 1979, she obtained a Bachelor of Science  
5 Degree in Criminal Justice from Arizona State University; and

6 **WHEREAS**, Bernadette Marie San Nicolas Chargualaf began her career with  
7 the Public Defender Service Corporation (PDSC) working as an Interviewer from  
8 February 28, 1978, to April 22, 1979; and throughout her tenure with PDSC, she  
9 was promoted to various positions, such as: Research Analyst, from April 23, 1979,  
10 to May 3, 1980; Special Investigator, from May 4, 1980, to October 5, 1980; Special  
11 Investigator II, from October 6, 1980, to October 3, 1981; Program Coordinator,  
12 from October 4, 1981, to September 15, 1985; she returned to her position as  
13 Special Investigator II, from September 16, 1985, to September 30, 1987; Special  
14 Investigator III, from October 1, 1987, to June 4, 1989; Program Coordinator IV,  
15 from June 5, 1989, to September 25, 1994; and was then promoted to her current  
16 position as Administrative Director, on September 26, 1994; and

17 **WHEREAS**, in addition to her immediate duties and responsibilities as the  
18 Administrative Director, Bernadette Marie San Nicolas Chargualaf also served as  
19 the Board Secretary for the PDSC Board of Trustees, where she ensured that all  
20 required documentation were always prepared, and notices were sent out prior to  
21 each Board meeting; and

22 **WHEREAS**, Bernadette Marie San Nicolas Chargualaf was the Lead  
23 Coordinator in the creation and establishment of the Alternate Public Defender  
24 (APD) Office, where she succeeded in setting up the budget, the hiring of staff, and  
25 the purchase of furniture and equipment; while also managing the relocation of the  
26 PDSC office to their current location in *Sinajana*; and the completion of these huge  
27 projects is attributed to her great organizational skills; and

1           **WHEREAS**, some of Bernadette Marie San Nicolas Chargualaf’s goals and  
2 objectives for PDSC and its staff included enhancing programs and activities within  
3 the divisions to provide for a more efficient and effective service delivery; working  
4 closely with the Legislative Chairperson who had oversight of her agency to ensure  
5 that the budget was prepared and submitted in a timely manner for each fiscal year;  
6 and to cultivate better working relationships amongst the PDSC staff to increase  
7 productivity and promote positive teamwork; and

8           **WHEREAS**, Bernadette Marie San Nicolas Chargualaf’s number one goal  
9 was to ensure that the employees were duly compensated pursuant to the initial Hay  
10 Study of 2011, the current Compensation Wage Act of 2014, and the Law  
11 Enforcement Pay Plan; and that once it was approved, that the implementation was  
12 completed. Lastly, she continued to strive to develop resources within PDSC that  
13 would benefit their clientele in order to improve PDSC’s public image; and

14           **WHEREAS**, due to her supportive and compassionate nature for the PDSC  
15 staff, Bernadette Marie San Nicolas Chargualaf was nominated by employee  
16 Joselito Marquez for supporting him during his military deployment, thus resulting  
17 in her recognition by the U.S. Army; this also made it easy for her to obtain the  
18 assistance of fellow co-workers for others in need of help. It has been said that,  
19 “Bennette may be firm, but she truly has a huge compassionate heart”; and

20           **WHEREAS**, on October 17, 2014, Bernadette Marie San Nicolas Chargualaf  
21 retired as the Administrative Director of the Public Defender Service Corporation;  
22 and she looks forward to waking up in the mornings with her precious  
23 granddaughters. Her institutional knowledge, motherly counseling and advice,  
24 support, and presence will be truly missed by her colleagues and the staff of PDSC;  
25 now therefore, be it

26           **RESOLVED**, that *I Mina'Trentai Dos Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby,  
27 on behalf of the people of Guam, recognize, congratulate and commend Bernadette  
28 Marie San Nicolas Chargualaf on the occasion of her retirement from the Public

1 Defender Service Corporation; and does further extend *Un Dângkolo Na Si Yu'os*  
2 *Ma'åse'* to her for her thirty-six (36) years of faithful service to the people of Guam;  
3 and be it further

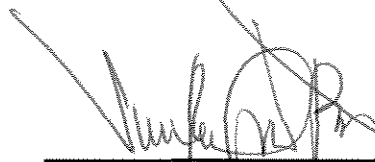
4 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to,  
5 the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to  
6 Bernadette Marie San Nicolas Chargualaf; to Eric D. Miller, Executive Director,  
7 Public Defender Service Corporation; and to the Honorable Edward J.B. Calvo, *I*  
8 *Maga'lahaen Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY I MINA'TRENTAI DOS NA  
LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE 24<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF OCTOBER 2014.**



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



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**TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES**  
Legislative Secretary