

I Mina Trentai Tres Na Liheslaturan Guåhan
Resolutions Log Sheet

Resolution No.	Sponsor	Title	Date Intro	Date of Presentation	Date Referred	Committee / Ofc Referred	PUBLIC HEARING DATE	DATE COMMITTEE REPORT FILED	Date Adopted
278-33 (COR)	F. F. Blas, Jr. V. Anthony Ada James V. Espaldon	Relative to recognizing the accomplishments and dedication of the late Honorable Anthony (Tony) C. Blaz, former Senator; and to further extending the sincere condolences of the people of Guam and / <i>Liheslaturan Guåhan</i> to his family.	02/02/16 4:30 p.m.	02/08/16 8:00 a.m.					02/05/16

I MINA'TRENTAI TRES NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
2016 (SECOND) Regular Session

Resolution No. 278-33 (COR)

Introduced by:

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Relative to recognizing the accomplishments and dedication of the late Honorable Anthony (Tony) C. Blaz, former Senator; and to further extending the sincere condolences of the people of Guam and *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* to his family.

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

3 **WHEREAS**, the late Honorable Anthony (Tony) C. Blaz was born on September
4 22, 1958; and is the son the late Brigida Lujan Crisostomo (*familian Bejong - Capili*)

1 and Joaquin Garrido Blaz (*familan Dero*). He was called to his eternal reward on
2 January 30, 2016, at the age of fifty-seven (57); and

3 **WHEREAS**, in his younger days, Tony Blaz attended San Vicente Catholic
4 School in *Barrigada*, and later transferred to Father Duenas Memorial School in *Tai*,
5 *Mangilao*, from where he graduated in 1976; and he later attended and graduated from
6 the University of Notre Dame in South Bend, Indiana, with a BA degree in Business
7 Administration in Management and Accountancy in 1980; and he also received an MA
8 in Public Administration from the University of Guam in 2004; and

9 **WHEREAS**, Tony, as he was affectionately called, had worked in the private
10 and public sectors for decades. He was employed at an accounting firm and opened an
11 energy conservation business in the early 1980s; and he then went into public service
12 and became the head of the Public Utility Agency of Guam (PUAG), the predecessor
13 of the Guam Waterworks Authority (GWA); and

14 **WHEREAS**, in 1990, Tony was elected to serve as a Senator of the 21st Guam
15 Legislature, and he continued serving up to the 25th Guam Legislature. In 2001, Tony
16 entered the media sector and became a talk show host for “Positively Local,” a radio
17 program that discussed pressing local issues, for over five (5) years before becoming
18 the Administrator of the Guam Economic Development Authority; and

19 **WHEREAS**, Senator Blaz, who was a devout Catholic and who led an exemplary
20 life as a man of God, became a single parent and single-handedly raised four (4) children
21 from an early age to adulthood; and

22 **WHEREAS**, during his tenure as Senator, Tony was instrumental in the
23 development of the *Ugum* Water Project, the first surface water project of the
24 Government of Guam. His other milestone legislation while serving as a Senator

1 include the “Family Violence Act” and “The Healing Hearts Project,” among others;
2 and

3 **WHEREAS**, the late Honorable Senator Anthony Blaz was a longtime public
4 servant, and he was committed to the Chamorro language and culture preservation. As
5 a member of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan*, he authored legislation which created
6 appropriations to augment the Spanish Collections at the Richard F. Taitano -
7 Micronesian Area Research Center at the University of Guam; and he also helped to
8 generate the genealogical histories of numerous Chamorro families of the Mariana
9 Islands; and

10 **WHEREAS**, Tony was a believer in the importance of Guam’s history and native
11 culture and language, and he was committed to providing the stories of notable
12 individuals who have made a difference in Guam’s history; and

13 **WHEREAS**, in all of his many noteworthy efforts, the late Honorable Anthony
14 C. Blaz extended his business expertise and acumen while serving as a member of the
15 Government of Guam Retirement Fund Board of Trustees; and more so while serving
16 as the Administrator of the Guam Economic Development Authority, and as the
17 Director of the Department of Administration; now therefore, be it

18 **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina’Trentai Tres Na*
19 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the people
20 of Guam, recognize, commend and memorialize the outstanding contributions, legacy
21 and services of the late Honorable Anthony (Tony) C. Blaz, former Senator; and does
22 further extend sincere condolences to the Blaz family on his passing; 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 the family and children of the late Honorable
2 Anthony C. Blaz; to the Honorable Madeleine Z. Bordallo, Guam Delegate to the
3 United States Congress; to Chief Justice Robert J. Torres, Judiciary of Guam; and to the
4 Honorable Edward J.B. Calvo, *I Maga'låhen Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF
I MINA'TRENTAI TRES NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE 5TH DAY OF
FEBRUARY 2016.**



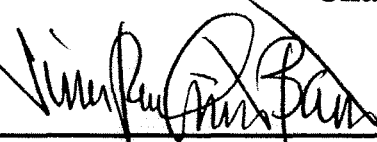
JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D.

Speaker



RORY J. RESPICIO

Chairperson, Committee on Rules



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COMMITTEE VOTING SHEET

Resolution No. 278-33 (COR) - Frank F. Blas, Jr., V. Anthony Ada, James V. Espaldon – “Relative to recognizing the accomplishments and dedication of the late Honorable Anthony (Tony) C. Blaz, former Senator; and to further extending the sincere condolences of the people of Guam and *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* to his family.”

	SIGNATURE	DATE	TO ADOPT	TO NOT ADOPT	TO ABSTAIN
Senator Rory J. Respicio Chairperson	<i>e-vote</i>	<i>2/5/16</i>	✓		
Senator Thomas C. Ada Vice-Chairperson	<i>e-vote</i>	<i>2/5/16</i>	✓		
Speaker Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D. Member	<i>e-vote</i>	<i>2/5/16</i>	✓		
Vice-Speaker Benjamin J.F. Cruz Member	<i>e-vote</i>	<i>2/5/16</i>	✓		
Legislative Secretary Tina Rose Muña Barnes Member	<i>e-vote</i>	<i>2/5/16</i>	✓		
Senator Frank B. Aguon, Jr. Member	<i>e-vote</i>	<i>2/5/16</i>	✓		
Senator Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr. Member					
Senator Michael F.Q. San Nicolas Member	<i>e-vote</i>	<i>2/5/16</i>	✓		
Senator Nerissa B. Underwood, Ph.D. Member					2016 FEB - 5 PM 4:45
Senator V. Anthony Ada Minority Leader	<i>e-vote</i>	<i>2/5/16</i>	✓		
Senator Mary Camacho Torres Minority Member	<i>e-vote</i>	<i>2/5/16</i>	✓		

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Sponsor Signature: *Frank F. Blas Jr.*
 Staff Contact Person: *Mary C. Fejeran*

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_____ Certified _____ Returned
 Name: _____
 Date: _____
 Notes: _____