

I Mina Trentai Tres Na Liheslaturan Guåhan
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36-33 (LS)	Mary Camacho Torres Dennis G. Rodriguez. Jr.	Relative to recognizing and congratulating Captain Elizabeth A. Swatzell, Senior Nurse Executive, Nurse Corps, U.S. Naval Hospital Guam, on her exemplary service to our country and the island of Guam and on her retirement from the U.S. Naval Hospital.	03/17/15 2:53 p.m.						03/17/15

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Resolution No. 36-33 (LS)

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Relative to recognizing and congratulating Captain Elizabeth A. Swatzell, Senior Nurse Executive, Nurse Corps, U.S. Naval Hospital Guam, for her exemplary service to our country and the island of Guam; and on her retirement from the U.S. Naval Hospital.

- 1 **BE IT RESOLVED BY *I MINA'TRENTAI TRES NA LIHESLATURAN***
2 ***GUÅHAN*:**
3 **WHEREAS,** Captain Elizabeth A. Swatzell was raised in Erie, Pennsylvania.
4 In May 1984, she graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in Nursing from Villa

1 Maria College in Erie, Pennsylvania; and she was commissioned as an Ensign in April
2 1985; and

3 **WHEREAS**, upon her completion of Officer Indoctrination School in Newport,
4 Rhode Island, Captain Swatzell was stationed at the U.S. Naval Hospital in Bethesda,
5 Maryland, from 1985 to 1988; and she served as a Staff Nurse in the Internal
6 Medicine Ward and Level III Neonatal Intensive Care Unit, and was promoted to
7 Lieutenant Junior Grade in 1987; and

8 **WHEREAS**, from 1988 to 1990, Captain Swatzell served at the U.S. Naval
9 Hospital, Guam as the Assistant Charge Nurse, Newborn and Level II Nurseries; and
10 she was promoted to Lieutenant in 1989; and

11 **WHEREAS**, Captain Swatzell was assigned to the U.S. Naval Hospital in
12 Charleston, South Carolina; where from 1990 to 1993, she served as the Division
13 Officer, Newborn Nursery and Postpartum Ward; and

14 **WHEREAS**, from there, Captain Swatzell was assigned to the U.S. Naval Hospital
15 Corps School in Great Lakes, Illinois, where she served as an Instructor and
16 Instructional Division Officer, from 1993 to 1996; and it was during this tour that she
17 was promoted to Lieutenant Commander; and

18 **WHEREAS**, in 1996, Captain Swatzell was transferred to the U.S. Naval
19 Hospital in Bremerton, Washington, where she served as the Assistant Department
20 Head, Staff Education and Training, through 1999; and

21 **WHEREAS**, Captain Swatzell was selected for full time Duty Under
22 Instruction at Old Dominion University in Norfolk, Virginia; and she was promoted to
23 Commander in May of 2000, and she later completed her Masters Degree in
24 Education, Training and Management in May of 2001; and

1 **WHEREAS**, upon her completion of Duty Under Instruction, Captain Swatzell
2 was assigned to the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery, where she served as the
3 Assistant Director for Education and Training; and

4 **WHEREAS**, in November 2002 as a result of the BUMED reorganization,
5 Captain Swatzell was assigned to serve as the Deputy Director for Education and
6 Training Governance, Naval Medical Education and Training Command, where she
7 remained until June 2005, at which time she was selected for promotion to the rank of
8 Captain; and

9 **WHEREAS**, in July 2005, Captain Swatzell accepted her orders to report to the U.S.
10 Naval Hospital Guam; and she served as the Staff Education and Training Department
11 Head, Risk Manager and Executive Steering Committee Facilitator until her departure
12 in July 2008 to work for the newly established Navy Medicine Training Center
13 (NMTC) in San Antonio, Texas, where she was assigned to serve as the Director for
14 Training Support; and she also provided support to the Academic Transition
15 Integration Office of the Medical Education and Training Campus; and

16 **WHEREAS**, Captain Swatzell was hand-selected as the Senior Nurse
17 Executive and Director for Nursing Services, and she returned to the U.S. Naval
18 Hospital Guam in 2011; and

19 **WHEREAS**, during her tenure, Captain Swatzell facilitated the successful
20 transition of staff, equipment, and patients into the new 164 Million Dollar
21 replacement facility; and upon the conclusion of her third and final Guam tour in
22 2014, Captain Swatzell accepted her orders to report to the U.S. Navy Medicine
23 Training Support Center in Fort Sam Houston, Texas, where she serves as the Clinical
24 Coordinator/Navy Liaison for the Medical Education and Training Campus; and

25 **WHEREAS**, Captain Swatzell maintains her credentials as a Registered Nurse
26 licensed in the state of Pennsylvania; and among her personal awards are four (4)

1 Meritorious Service Medals; three (3) Navy and Marine Corps Commendation
2 Medals; and a Navy Achievement Medal; as well as other decorations, to include three
3 (3) Meritorious Unit Citations, two (2) National Defense Service Medals, and three (3)
4 Navy Overseas Service Medals; now therefore, be it

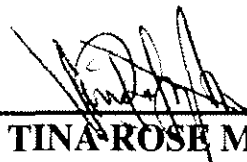
5 **RESOLVED**, that *I Mina'Trentai Tres Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby,
6 on behalf of the people of Guam, recognize, honor and congratulate Captain Elizabeth
7 A. Swatzell, Senior Nurse Executive, Nurse Corps, U.S. Naval Hospital Guam, for her
8 exemplary service to our country and the island of Guam; and on her retirement from
9 the U.S. Naval Hospital; and be it further

10 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to,
11 the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Captain
12 Elizabeth A. Swatzell and her family; to Captain Jeannie Comlish, Command Officer,
13 U.S. Naval Hospital Guam; to Rear Admiral Bette Bolivar, Joint Region Marianas
14 (JRM) Commander; to the Honorable Madeleine Z. Bordallo, Member of Congress
15 (D-Guam); and to the Honorable Edward J.B. Calvo, *I Maga'lahaen Guåhan*.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY *I MINA'TRENTAI TRES NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* ON THE 17TH DAY OF MARCH 2015.



JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D.
Speaker



TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES
Legislative Secretary