

I Mina Trentai Tres Na Liheslaturan Guåhan

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404-33 (LS)	Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D.	Relative to recognizing, commending and congratulating Joseph Artero Cameron, on the occasion of his retirement from the Department of <i>Chamorro Affairs</i> ; and to extending a sincere <i>Un Dangkolo Na Si Yu'os Ma'åse</i> for his various accomplishments and contributions, most notably to the arts and humanities; sciences; the restoration and development projects of the historic city of <i>Hagåtña</i> ; and the perpetuation of the <i>Chamorro</i> cultural arts and language.	06/17/16 4:03 p.m.	06/30/16 3:00 p.m.					06/17/16

I MINA'TRENTAI TRES NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
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Resolution No. 404-33 (LS)

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Relative to recognizing, commending and congratulating Joseph Artero-Cameron on the occasion of his retirement from the Department of *Chamorro* Affairs; and to further extending a sincere *Un Dångkolo Na Si Yu'os Ma'åse'* to him for his various accomplishments and contributions, most notably to the arts and humanities, sciences, the restoration and development projects of the historic city of *Hagåtña*, and the perpetuation of the *Chamorro* cultural arts and language.

1 **BE IT RESOLVED BY *I MINA'TRENTAI TRES NA LIHESLATURAN***

2 ***GUÅHAN*:**

3 **WHEREAS**, Mr. Joseph Artero-Cameron is a native son of Guam from the
4 village of *Tamuning*, and he has dedicated over twenty (20) years of government
5 service since his return to Guam on November 18, 1986, after living abroad; and

1 **WHEREAS**, Mr. Artero-Cameron has served in various public agencies and
2 organizations, and has engaged with many stakeholders, both locally and nationally,
3 for the betterment of a diverse multitude of programs on the island; and

4 **WHEREAS**, Mr. Artero-Cameron was appointed and he has served
5 remarkably well as the President of the Department of *Chamorro* Affairs, a public
6 non-profit corporation; and through serving in this position, he oversaw many of the
7 programs involving the promotion of *Chamorro* language and culture, and the
8 research, publication and training pertaining to *Chamorro* cultural affairs, to include
9 the management of *I Sengsong Chamorro* (the Chamorro Village), the Guam
10 Council on the Arts and Humanities Agency (CAHA), the Guam Museum, the Guam
11 Public Library System, the *Hâgatña* Restoration and Redevelopment Authority, and
12 PBS Guam (KGTF); and

13 **WHEREAS**, in his position as the Department of *Chamorro* Affairs
14 President, Mr. Artero-Cameron directed the Council on the Arts and Humanities
15 (CAHA), as the agency geared itself towards major preparations for Guam's hosting
16 of the 12th Festival of Pacific Arts (FestPac); and

17 **WHEREAS**, under his leadership, local artists and cultural practitioners have
18 seen great support, such as an additional \$2.9 million dollars in private funds for the
19 acquisition of works of art for public and non-public buildings and facilities; and

20 **WHEREAS**, Mr. Artero-Cameron had been in the forefront of the
21 establishment and construction of the new Guam Museum; and

22 **WHEREAS**, Mr. Artero-Cameron has served for eight (8) years as the
23 Executive Director of the *Hagâtña* Restoration and Redevelopment Authority
24 (HARRA). Under his leadership, the *Hagâtña* Master Plan is near completion of its
25 final draft plan; and

1 **WHEREAS**, under Mr. Artero-Cameron’s leadership, the existing public
2 libraries of *Hagåtña* and *Dededo* have undergone paramount renovations and
3 revamping of its resources; and

4 **WHEREAS**, Mr. Artero-Cameron was also appointed to serve as the
5 Governor of Guam's Point of Contact for Coral Reef Conservation Programs and
6 Fisheries and Ocean Matters; he is a voting member of the Western and Central
7 Pacific Fisheries Commission (WCPFC), and the U.S. Permanent Advisory
8 Committee (USPAC); Executive Committee and voting member of the Pacific
9 Islands Ocean Observing System Governing Council (PacIOOS); and is the Guam
10 Point of Contact for the NOAA Coral Reef Conservation Programs, the Guam Local
11 Action Strategy, All Islands Committee, and the U.S. Coral Reef Task Force; he is
12 an advisor for the Western Pacific Regional Fishery Management Council; a
13 member of the Pacific Regional Oceans Partnership, NOAA; a member of the
14 Regional Planning Body, National Oceans Council; a voting member of the Guam
15 Academy Charter Schools Council; member of the Application Review Committee
16 (ARC)/Department of Land Management; and he served as a member and Treasurer
17 of the 12th Festival of Pacific Arts (FestPac) Coordinating Committee; and

18 **WHEREAS**, prior to serving as President of the Department of *Chamorro*
19 Affairs, Mr. Artero-Cameron had served as Director of the Department of Mental
20 Health and Substance Abuse; Executive Director of the Governor’s Commission on
21 People with Disabilities; Director of the Department of Vocational Rehabilitation;
22 Director of the Department of Integrated Services for Individuals with Disabilities;
23 Program Manager of the Social Security Administration/Disability Determination
24 Services; and Disability Advisor for the Special Needs Population; and

25 **WHEREAS**, during his directorship of the Department of Mental Health and
26 Substance Abuse Agency, Mr. Artero-Cameron faced the challenge of dealing with
27 a prior lawsuit that was lodged against the government of Guam by the U.S. District

1 Court of Guam, which made reference to illegal practices in the administration of
2 mental health programs or the lack thereof. Within the initial two (2) weeks of his
3 directorship, Mr. Artero-Cameron allayed the federal concerns and resolved the
4 program issues named in the legal proceedings; he implemented clinical bylaws and
5 policies for his psychiatrists, medical doctors, nurses and social workers; he
6 provided technical assistance to the Guam Legislative Committee on Judiciary in the
7 comprehensive and technical writing of Guam's "involuntary commitment" statute;
8 and furthermore, he gathered data, used program objectives, and created Guam's first
9 residential treatment services for adults and adolescents; and

10 **WHEREAS**, the volume of documentation and supportive documents to
11 advance the creation of new programs that Mr. Artero-Cameron compiled during his
12 directorship were tantamount to implementing community outreach, interagency
13 collaborations, internal controls of governance for programs, all requiring analysis
14 and emphasis on advocacy for funding by local and federal programs, these technical
15 writings have been a focal point of his work experiences; and

16 **WHEREAS**, Mr. Artero-Cameron has always practiced austerity in spending
17 to get the best possible quality for the least cost to the respective private and/or
18 government corporation or entity; and during his directorships of various local and
19 federal government programs, applicable procurement laws dictated the mode of
20 spending; and in considering the often complex nature of intermingling both local
21 and federal monies and situations when dealing with expenditures, Mr. Artero-
22 Cameron faced all the issues with proper resolutions so as to avoid disallowed costs
23 to programs; and

24 **WHEREAS**, Mr. Artero-Cameron has additionally assisted with his services
25 under the Guam Homeland Security/Office of Civil Defense, Emergency Support
26 Function Lead, Mass Care; and he has served as an Advocate for the Mentally Ill
27 Protection and Advocacy Office; and

1 **WHEREAS**, Mr. Artero-Cameron has demonstrated knowledge of the
2 theory, principles, standards and practices of governmental accounting, current
3 trends of cash flow, cash forecasts, revenue projections and expenditure estimates;
4 and

5 **WHEREAS**, while Mr. Artero-Cameron’s prior work experiences have
6 posed many notable challenges, he has been committed to meeting these challenges,
7 creatively resolving conflicts either with program initiatives, community outreach,
8 interagency collaborations, inter-office supervision or actual program day to day
9 operations; and

10 **WHEREAS**, Mr. Artero-Cameron has worked excellently with the many
11 people whom he has been involved in various projects and initiatives with; and he
12 has worked with a wide latitude in the exercise of independent judgment in
13 accordance with established applicable laws, rules, regulations, accounting systems
14 and principles, and program objectives; and

15 **WHEREAS**, Mr. Artero-Cameron continues to be an innovative and
16 adaptable administrator who is experienced and competent in human resources with
17 an enlightened sense of institutional knowledge, which attests to the invaluable
18 contributions he has given to the government and people of Guam; now therefore,
19 be it

20 **RESOLVED**, that *I Mina’Trentai Tres Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does
21 hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, recognize, commend and congratulate
22 Joseph Artero-Cameron on the occasion of his retirement from the Department of
23 *Chamorro* Affairs; and does further extend a sincere *Un Dångkolo Na Si Yu’os*
24 *Ma’åse’* to him for his various accomplishments and contributions, most notably to
25 the arts and humanities, sciences, the restoration and development projects of the
26 historic city of *Hagåtña*, and the perpetuation of the *Chamorro* cultural arts and
27 language; and be it further

1 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker certify, and Legislative Secretary attest to, the
2 adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Mr. Joseph
3 Artero-Cameron; to Mrs. Maria Artero-Cameron; to Mr. Juan Francisco Blas, Jr.; to
4 the Guam Public Library System; to the Guam Museum; to the Department of
5 Chamorro Affairs; to the United States Navy War in the Pacific T. Stell Newman
6 Visitor Center; to the Honorable Madeleine Z. Bordallo, Guam Delegate to the U.S.
7 House of Representatives; to First Lady, Mrs. Eleanor Rosalyn Carter; and to the
8 Honorable Edward J.B. Calvo, *I Maga'låhen Guåhan*.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY *I MINA'TRENTAI TRES NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* ON THE 17TH DAY OF JUNE 2016.



JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D.
Speaker



TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES
Legislative Secretary