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77-33 (LS)	FRANK B. AGUON, JR.	Relative to recognizing and congratulating the	04/28/15	05/08/15					04/28/15
		Honorable Pilar C. Lujan, former Senator, on being	10:24 a.m.	2:00 p.m.					
		distinguished as the recipient of the "2015 Hustisia							
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		Yu'os Ma'åse' to her for her commitment in dedicating							
		her service and support for the people of Guam and to							
		Guam's justice system.							

### I MINA'TRENTAI TRES NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN 2015 (FIRST) Regular Session

#### Resolution No. 77-33 (LS)

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Relative to recognizing and congratulating the Honorable Pilar C. Lujan, former Senator, on being distinguished as the recipient of the "2015 *Hustisia* Award"; and to further extending *Un Dångkolo Na Si Yu'os Ma'åse'* to her for her commitment in dedicating her service and support for the people of Guam and to Guam's justice system.

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

3 WHEREAS, Pilar C. Lujan was born on October 12, 1930; and is the second 4 youngest child of nine (9) children. In 1956, she met her future husband, Frank George Lujan, and after a short courtship they were married on July 7, 1956; and
 together they were blessed with four (4) children: †Monessa, Davina, Galen and
 Rolenda; and

WHEREAS, Pilar graduated from George Washington High School in 1951,
and she was encouraged by her teachers to obtain a scholarship to attend Sienna
Heights College in Michigan, where she obtained a degree in Secondary Education;
and

8 WHEREAS, Pilar and her husband Frank both shared the same beliefs, goals 9 and prospects for a bright future; and they supported one another and encouraged each 10 other to make their dreams a reality; and

WHEREAS, to further their careers and enhance their growing family, they
both decided to pursue their *Juris Doctorate* and Masters degrees from Indiana
University; and in 1966, Pilar received her Masters of Science in Elementary School
Administration; and

WHEREAS, from 1967 to 1969, Pilar served as the Principal of Wettengel Elementary School; and as a Principal she came across many hurdles due to the bureaucratic red tape of the Department of Education, and she sought to make changes to improve the system. In 1970, she decided to further her career and serve as an Administrator in the island's education system by earning an Education Specialist degree in General School Administration; and

WHEREAS, Pilar was then appointed to serve as the Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction; and she was later promoted to serve as an Associate Superintendent. Pilar attained almost every position level in the Government of Guam's education system, from teacher to Acting Director of Education in 1976. She opted for early retirement after implementing *Chamorro* language and culture courses in the curriculum in elementary schools; and

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1 WHEREAS, from 1977 through 1979, she was a *Chamorro* Language 2 Instructor at the University of Guam, and she became a *Chamorro* translator of the 3 Guam Constitution. During that same time, she was elected to serve as the 4 Chairwoman of the First Board of Education. In 1980, Pilar became a *Chamorro* 5 newscaster with the Public Broadcasting Radio Station - KGTF, and she was a 6 licensed Educational Research Consultant; and

7 WHEREAS, through the encouragement from her colleagues who were impressed with her vision and her influence in the direction the Department of 8 9 Education was heading, Pilar entered the political arena. She was elected to the Guam 10 Legislature and served as a Senator for six (6) terms, from 1983 through 1994. She chaired the Committees on Judiciary and Criminal Justice, Corrections, Economic 11 12 Development, Housing and Community Development, and Federal & Foreign Affairs, as well as the Committee on Health, Welfare and Ecology. She is credited for 13 14 introducing numerous legislation that became law, such as the establishment of the Supreme Court of Guam (PL 21-147 - the "Frank G. Lujan Memorial Court 15 16 Reorganization Act of 1992"); the Crime Victims Bill of Rights (PL 21-96); the Child Protective Act (PL 20-209); the Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting Act (PL 20-209); 17 18 the establishment of the Judicial Building Fund to construct the Guam Judicial Center (PL 20-170); the establishment of the Jury and Appointed Counsel Trust Funds (PL 19 19-28); and the Reactivation of the Criminal Injuries Compensation Commission (PL 20 20-155); and 21

WHEREAS, despite her active schedule and the constant need of her assistance, Mrs. Pilar Lujan made time for participating in social and civic organizations, such as the Salvation Army, the Soroptomist International of Guam, the Guam Women's Issues Task Force, the International Women's Club of Guam, the Phi Delta Kappa Society, and the Catholic Daughters of America; and

1 WHEREAS, Pilar credits her faith in enhancing her life with blessings, and in giving her the guidance to undertake numerous projects and career turns. In 2002, she 2 3 was chosen to serve as the Chairwoman of the Guam Chapter of Catholic Daughters 4 of America. In that role and with her dedication to Guam's patroness, Santa Maria 5 Kamalen, she made it her vocation to initiate the inclusion of a reproduction of the 6 Our Lady of Camarin icon at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C. In September 2006, the project came to fruition and 7 more than one hundred pilgrims from Guam and around the country witnessed the 8 9 historic enshrinement of Santa Marian Kamalen; and

WHEREAS, Pilar now spends her time with her four wonderful grandchildren,
 Maya, Annisa, Joseph and Frank; and her two adorable great-grandchildren, Kaya and
 Mayana, teaching them the *Chamorro* customs and language, while still involving
 herself in various civic and social organizations that require her expertise; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of the Honorable Pilar C. Lujan's commitment to the people of Guam, our island community and her colleagues further recognize her on being distinguished as the 2015 recipient of the "*Hustisia* Award." This award is given annually, in conjunction with "Law Week" activities, to recognize individuals in our community who continue to uphold and administer justice and good government; now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that *I Mina'Trentai Tres Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, recognize and congratulate the Honorable Pilar C. Lujan, former Senator, on being distinguished as the recipient of the "2015 *Hustisia* Award"; and does further extend *Un Dångkolo Na Si Yu'os Ma'åse'* to her for her commitment in dedicating her service and support for the people of Guam and to Guam's justice system; and be it further RESOLVED, that the Speaker certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to,
 the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to the
 Honorable Pilar C. Lujan; and to the Honorable Edward J.B. Calvo, *I Maga'lahen Guåhan*.

# DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY *I MINA'TRENTAI TRES NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* ON THE 28<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF APRIL 2015.

BENJAMIN J.F. CRUZ Acting Speaker

TINÀ RÔSE MUÑA BARNES Legislative Secretary