

I MINA'BENTE OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
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Executive Committee
Resolution No. 135

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Relative to commending and congratulating Mrs. Barbara M. Gumataotao, Civilian employee for the United States Air Force, for her extremely successful tours of duty on Andersen Air Force Base, Guam and particularly for her efforts to promote a better relationship between the United States Air Force and the people of Guam.

1 **BE IT RESOLVED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF I**
2 ***MINA'BENTE OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN:***

3 **WHEREAS,** Mrs. Barbara M. Gumataotao was born and raised on
4 Guam. She is married to Tomas C. Gumataotao, who is also a Team Andersen
5 employee with Del Jin Inc.; and has four (4) children with six (6) wonderful

1 grandchildren of her own along with six (6) stepchildren and twenty (20)
2 wonderful step-grandchildren. Mrs. Gumataotao graduated from John F.
3 Kennedy High School in Tumon, Guam, and started working for the
4 Government of Guam immediately after high school in 1969. She held a job
5 with the Office of Employment Opportunity (OEO) until 1973 when she
6 applied for a position with the Civilian Personnel Office at Andersen and was
7 hired as a Clerk for the 8th Air Force, Logistics Plans as of 3 March 1973; and

8 **WHEREAS**, Mrs. Barbara M. Gumataotao served as the director of the
9 Andersen AFB Real Estate Office in Resources Flight with the 36th Civil
10 Engineer Squadron, Andersen Air Force Base, Guam. She leads a staff of
11 three (3) realty specialists in the management of all Air Force assets on Guam,
12 Singapore and in Sydney, Exmouth, and Learmonth, Australia; and

13 **WHEREAS**, Mrs. Gumataotao epitomized the definition of the on and
14 off base community servant. Her actions have made numerous significant
15 contributions to the United States and the people of Guam; and

16 **WHEREAS**, Mrs. Gumataotao served thirty-three (33) years on
17 Andersen AFB from 3 March 1973 to 3 March 2006. She was extremely
18 involved in a number of military and community projects, which have made
19 significant impact on the quality of life of the people of Andersen and Guam.
20 Her efforts have definitely improved the natural beauty of our island
21 paradise. She has maintained a calm and level head in the midst of all
22 contingencies while still making time to give back to the community with her
23 unselfish dedication and endless energy. She is most deserving of this
24 prestigious and honorable award; and

1 **WHEREAS**, Mrs. Gumataotao is responsible for all Real Estate in the 13th
2 Air Force now led by the 36th Air Expeditionary Wing. She manages nineteen
3 thousand twenty-five (19,025) acres and over two thousand three hundred
4 (2,300) facilities, coordinating real estate transactions, reviewing and
5 approving facility use and identifying and correcting facility misuse; and

6 **WHEREAS**, Mrs. Gumataotao took over as Real Estate agent in the
7 mid-90's and led the Air Force's efforts to complete the transfer of eight (8)
8 parcels of land, two thousand one hundred thirty six (2,136) acres to the
9 Government of Guam following a five (5) year effort to properly identify,
10 characterize and remediate the land after fifty (50) years of military use. She
11 worked closely with local government and community officials throughout
12 the transfer process to allow interim access to the parcels through license
13 agreements. She successfully identified, justified, and spearheaded the
14 procurement of over Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000) in
15 architectural survey services required to retrace and locate boundary markers
16 in preparation for the return of acres of excess land to the Government of
17 Guam in one of the largest returns of military land in the history of Guam;
18 and

19 **WHEREAS**, Mrs. Gumataotao administers the largest real property
20 program of any Air Force base in the Pacific, including nine (9) easements,
21 twenty-one (21) permits, seventeen (17) licenses, eight (8) leases, and thirty-
22 eight (38) Inter-service Support Agreements with organizations from the Air
23 Force, Department of Defense, Federal Government, the Government of
24 Guam, and private industry. These agreements support many activities on
25 Guam including critical utility support for the Department of Public Works,

1 Guam Power Authority, Guam Waterworks Authority and the Guam
2 Telephone Authority; and

3 **WHEREAS**, Mrs. Gumataotao supported the Air Force’s efforts to bury
4 the seventeen (17) mile fuels pipeline by coordination with community
5 leaders, notification to all affected land owners, and conducting town
6 meetings. Her staff monitors use of all facilities and real property on Guam to
7 ensure proper compliance with all Air Force and federal requirements; and

8 **WHEREAS**, Mrs. Gumataotao worked very closely with the Andersen
9 leadership to accommodate all real estate requirements from facilities like the
10 Officers’ Spouse Gift Shop to supporting unique aircraft bed facility
11 requirements. She coordinates and manages the Andersen Real Estate;
12 Working Group and meets all requests for new and additional facility space;
13 and

14 **WHEREAS**, Mrs. Gumataotao played a critical role in many facility use
15 initiatives, including the implementation of Department of Defense Schools on
16 Andersen, procuring the Piti Warehouse for Air Force use, identification of
17 three hundred sixty (360) excess housing units for inclusion in the
18 Congressionally mandated McKinney Homeless Act Report, and all military
19 training operations conducted at Andersen Air Force Base; and

20 **WHEREAS**, Mrs. Gumataotao is truly a community leader who strongly
21 supports Air Force initiatives to maintain a friendly and positive partnership
22 with the Government of Guam. She works tirelessly to communicate Air
23 Force Real Estate requirements and policies to members of the local
24 community and government; and

1 **WHEREAS**, Mrs. Gumataotao personally works with the land-locked
2 residents at Ritidian Point, Jinapsan Beach and in the vicinity of Andersen
3 South to ensure they have proper access to their property and comprehend
4 Air Force security requirements. She negotiated with the Bureau of Land
5 Management and the Government of Guam to complete a Memorandum of
6 Understanding to allow the Government of Guam to use the Harmon Cliffline
7 properties for the Guam Liberation Carnival. She worked tirelessly to
8 complete all legal documentation and obtain necessary approvals to allow the
9 Government of Guam to use the Andersen South facilities to support the
10 South Pacific Games; and

11 **WHEREAS**, Mrs. Gumataotao successfully supported the Mayor of
12 Barrigada’s efforts to utilize twenty (20) acres of Air Force land at the
13 Barrigada Radar Facility for a community ball field for youth activities and
14 was nominated for the “Civilian of the First Quarter” in the year 2000; and

15 **WHEREAS**, Mrs. Gumataotao consistently produces results that benefit
16 both the Air Force and the local community. After graduating from John F.
17 Kennedy High School in Upper Tumon, she has obtained her expertise in Real
18 Estate management from years of hard work and dedication. She attended
19 three (3) professional development courses in 2003 including Supervisory
20 Refresher Training, the PACAF Real Estate Training Seminar, and the Air
21 Force Automated Civil Engineering Computer System training course; and

22 **WHEREAS**, Mrs. Gumataotao mentors and trains the employees who
23 work for her in the Real Estate Office. Two (2) Real Estate Specialists have
24 been promoted several grades above their starting level; and

1 **WHEREAS**, Mrs. Gumataotao was a key player in her squadron's
2 receipt of the 2000 Major General Robert C. Thompson Award for an
3 Outstanding Civil Engineer, Resources Flight as well as the 2001 Air Force
4 Award; and

5 **WHEREAS**, Mrs. Gumataotao forges positive communication with the
6 downtown community, base customers and her co-workers. She played a
7 vital role in building a great community/base relations by assisting private
8 landowners in using and enjoying their property at Jinapsan and Urunao
9 Beach; and

10 **WHEREAS**, Mrs. Gumataotao first started working at Team Andersen
11 8th Air Force Logistics Plans then on to the 27th Communications Squadron in
12 1973, the last year of Arc Light and the start of Operation Linebacker II. Her
13 tour at Andersen also included assignments at the Audit Office, 43rd Supply
14 Squadron, and the 36th Civil Engineering Squadron, where she has been
15 working in the Resources Flight, Real Property Section for the last twenty (20)
16 years; and

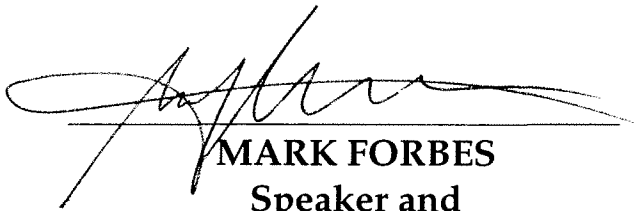
17 **WHEREAS**, Mrs. Gumataotao's education and training have led to her
18 numerous awards and have been instrumental in her job as a civilian in the
19 United States Air Force; and

20 **WHEREAS**, Mrs. Barbara M. Gumataotao, a local civilian, came to
21 Andersen Air Force Base in March 1973, and has since unselfishly promoted
22 friendship between the United States Air Force and the people of Guam, and
23 whose presence on Andersen will surely be missed by her civilian friends, as
24 well as the military community; now, therefore, be it

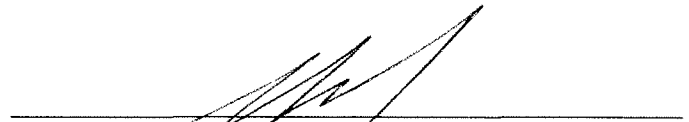
1 **RESOLVED**, that the Executive Committee of *I Mina'Bente Ocho Na*
2 *Lihselaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Lihselaturan Guåhan* and the
3 people of Guam, congratulate Mrs. Barbara M. Gumataotao on her
4 outstanding contributions as a civilian for the United States Air Force; and
5 be it further

6 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairman of the Executive
7 Committee certify, and the Secretary of the Legislature attest to, the adoption
8 hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Mrs. Barbara
9 M. Gumataotao; and to the Honorable Felix P. Camacho, *I Maga'lahaen Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
OF *I MINA'BENTE OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* ON THE 28TH
DAY OF FEBRUARY 2006.**



MARK FORBES
Speaker and
Chairman, Executive Committee



EDWARD J.B. CALVO
Senator and
Secretary of the Legislature