

I MINA'BENTE NUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
2008 (SECOND) Regular Session

Executive Committee
Resolution No. 200

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Relative to congratulating Mrs. Felisa Borja Gutierrez on the occasion of her induction into the Guam Educator's Hall Of Fame, Phi Delta Kappa, Guam Chapter, 2008; and recognizing her for more than thirty-seven (37) years of contributions and lifelong dedication towards the improvement of the island's educational system.

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

3 **WHEREAS, Mrs. Felisa Borja Gutierrez is the daughter of Ignacio Borja**
4 **and Matilde Toves Santos. She is married to Atanacio Gutierrez and have six**

1 (6) daughters: Rebecca, Milessa, Cassandra, Lorretta, Clarissa, and Michele;
2 and

3 **WHEREAS**, with the support of her parents and college scholarships,
4 Felisa was the first from both sides of her family to earn a higher education
5 degree; and

6 **WHEREAS**, Felisa has been a tremendous inspiration to other members
7 of her family to seek higher education, with all of her children having
8 obtained a Bachelor's Degree, two (2) of which have earned a Master's Degree
9 and one a Juris Doctorate degree; and

10 **WHEREAS**, Felisa attended Wisconsin State College and earned a
11 Bachelor's Degree in Education in 1955, and a Master's Degree in School
12 Administration and Supervision from the University of Guam in 1973; and

13 **WHEREAS**, after earning her Bachelor's Degree, Felisa returned to
14 Guam to begin a long and diverse career in education beginning in 1955 and
15 culminating with her retirement in 1992, a total of thirty-seven (37) years of
16 service; and

17 **WHEREAS**, Felisa began her career in education teaching in Guam's
18 high schools from 1955 to 1968; and

19 **WHEREAS**, in addition to her teaching assignments, Felisa taught
20 English as a Second Language as part of the Department of Education's Adult
21 Basic Education Program; and

22 **WHEREAS**, in 1969, Felisa would move from the classroom to the
23 Department of Education Personnel Division to work as a teacher placement
24 officer; and

1 **WHEREAS**, in 1972, Felisa became Assistant Principal at George
2 Washington High School for one (1) year; from 1973 to 1976 she was Principal
3 of Barrigada Junior High; and in 1977, she returned to the Department of
4 Education Central Office and was the Associate Superintendent of Personnel
5 Services Division for fifteen (15) years where she would stay until her
6 retirement after thirty-seven (37) years of service to the government of Guam,
7 working tirelessly to improve our public educational system; and

8 **WHEREAS**, Felisa balanced her professional career with a mirror
9 commitment to civic engagement, serving on many community organizations,
10 she was a Girl Scout Leader in Sinajana from 1955 to 1958; PTA member at
11 Carlos Elementary School from 1956 to 1978, and she served in various school
12 committees at other schools; she was a member of the University of Guam's
13 Teacher Training Program Selection Committee, as well as a member of the
14 selection committee for the Government of Guam JET Program, and is a junior
15 level education training program, a member of the International Reading
16 Association (IRA) from 2005 to present; and

17 **WHEREAS**, in her retired life, Felisa continues to make a difference in
18 our community by volunteering her services as a Pre-GED teacher; and

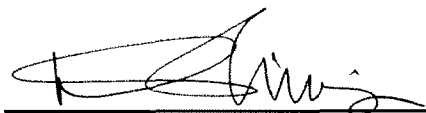
19 **WHEREAS**, Mrs. Felisa Borja Gutierrez has been bestowed with the
20 honor of being one of Guam's premier educators by the Guam Chapter of Phi
21 Delta Kappa and is inducted into the "Guam Educator's Hall of Fame, (2008)";
22 now, therefore, be it

23 **RESOLVED**, that the Executive Committee of *I Mina'Bente Nuebi Na*
24 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the

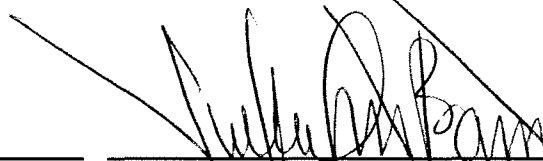
1 people of Guam, congratulate Mrs. Felisa Borja Gutierrez on the occasion of
2 her induction into the "Guam Educator's Hall of Fame", Phi Delta Kappa,
3 Guam Chapter, and does recognize her for her more than thirty-seven (37)
4 years of contributions and lifelong dedication towards the improvement of
5 our island's educational system; and be it further

6 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson 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. Felisa
9 Borja Gutierrez; to Mr. Antanacio Gutierrez; to each of her children; to Ms.
10 Barbara Gillman, President of the Guam Educator's Hall of Fame, Phi Delta
11 Kappa, Guam Chapter; and to the Honorable Felix P. Camacho, *I Maga'lahren*
12 *Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
OF I MINA'BENTE NUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE 9TH
DAY OF MAY 2008.**



DR. DAVID L.G. SHIMIZU
Acting Speaker and
Chairperson, Executive Committee



TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES
Senator and
Secretary of the Legislature