

I MINA'BENTE ÑUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
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Executive Committee
Resolution No. 21

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Relative to welcoming the Reverend Fr. Ernesto M. Arceo, O.P., *Rector Magnificus* of the Pontifical and Royal University of Santo Tomas, the Catholic University of the Philippines, upon his visit to our island and to congratulate him as the Keynote Speaker on the occasion of the Twenty-third (23rd) Anniversary of the University of Santo Tomas Alumni Association of Guam.

1 *cum laude*, from the University of Santo Tomas Faculty of Theology in 1982
2 and 1986, respectively; and

3 **WHEREAS**, Reverend Fr. Ernesto M. Arceo, O.P. was the Regent of the
4 College of Commerce for the University of Santo Tomas from 1995 to 1998 and
5 Conventional Prior at the Saint Thomas Aquinas Priory from 1996 to 1999; and
6 from 1998 to 2000, he occupied the post of Vice-Rector of the University of
7 Santo Tomas. He became prominent in the Thomasian community, attending
8 University events in his capacity as Prior Provincial of the Dominican
9 Province of the Philippines from 2000 to 2004. In July 2006, he was elected
10 Rector of the University of Santo Tomas Central Seminary concurrent with
11 being Dean of the Faculty of Philosophy at the University of Santo Tomas
12 Faculty of Ecclesiastical Studies; and

13 **WHEREAS**, Reverend Fr. Ernesto M. Arceo shares his expertise in the
14 field of Philosophy with students from the Ecclesiastical Faculties of
15 Philosophy and Theology as well as the Graduate School and the Faculty of
16 Medicine and Surgery. He has also taken his teaching ministry to places
17 beyond the walls of the University of Santo Tomas, such as the San Carlos
18 Seminary in Makati City, Mary Help of Christians Major Seminary in
19 Dagupan City and Recoletos Formation Center in Quezon City; and

20 **WHEREAS**, Reverend Fr. Ernesto M. Arceo, O.P., as *Rector Magnificus* of
21 the Pontifical and Royal University of Santo Tomas, the Catholic University of
22 the Philippines, is on Guam to deliver the keynote address to the University of
23 Santo Tomas Alumni Association of Guam on January 20, 2007 at the Guam

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

3 **WHEREAS**, Reverend Fr. Ernesto M. Arceo, O.P., was born on July 23,
4 1956, to Pascual Arceo and Teofista Manalili as the second (2nd) to youngest of
5 the ten (10) siblings in the outlying town of Inaon in Pulilan, Bulacan,
6 Philippines; and

7 **WHEREAS**, Reverend Fr. Ernesto M. Arceo's innate sensitivity to
8 different personalities is attributed to being a member of a large family with
9 whose support, he realized his holy calling and aptitude for academic
10 excellence, graduating salutatorian from elementary school and being a
11 consistent honor student in high school; and

12 **WHEREAS**, Reverend Fr. Ernesto M. Arceo made his entry into the
13 Order at Letran College in Manila in May 1973, took his solemn profession in
14 1979 and was ordained into the priesthood on April 30, 1983; and

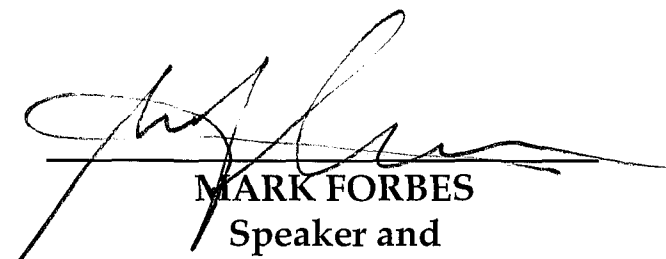
15 **WHEREAS**, during his days at the seminary, Fr. Ernesto M. Arceo
16 fulfilled his academic obligations with the same hard work that he
17 demonstrated in his earlier days at school. He earned his Bachelor's degree in
18 Philosophy *magna cum laude* from the Philippine Dominican Center of Studies
19 in Quezon City in 1979. He later pursued degrees in Philosophy from 1986 to
20 1990 at the University of Santo Tomas, where he graduated *meritissimus* with
21 his Master's degree from the UST Graduate School and *cum laude* with his
22 Doctoral degree from the UST Faculty of Philosophy. In between studying
23 Philosophy, he obtained Bachelor's and Licentiate Degrees in Theology, both

1 Reef Hotel during the Association's Twenty-third (23rd) Anniversary; now,
2 therefore, be it

3 **RESOLVED**, that the Executive Committee of *I Mina'Bente Ñuebi Na*
4 *Lihsaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Lihsaturan Guåhan* and the
5 people of Guam, express our heartfelt welcome to Reverend Fr. Ernesto M.
6 Arceo, O.P., upon the occasion of his visit to Guam and congratulate him as
7 the Keynote Speaker on the occasion of the Twenty-third (23rd) Anniversary of
8 the University of Santo Tomas Association of Guam; and be it further

9 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairman of the Executive
10 Committee certify, and the Secretary of the Legislature attest to, the adoption
11 hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Reverend Fr.
12 Ernesto M. Arceo, O.P.; to Her Excellency, Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo,
13 President of the Republic of the Philippines; to the Honorable Teresita
14 Mendiola, Consul General of the Republic of the Philippines; and to the
15 Honorable Felix P. Camacho, *I Maga'lahaen Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
OF *I MINA'BENTE ÑUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* ON THE 18TH
DAY OF JANUARY 2007.**


MARK FORBES
Speaker and
Chairman, Executive Committee


RAY TENORIO
Senator and
Secretary of the Legislature