

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

Executive Committee
Resolution No. 248

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Relative to commending Mr. Jorge E. U. Cristobal for his many years of service to our island and our nation and congratulating him on the occasion of his Ninetieth (90th) Birthday.

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

3 **WHEREAS**, Mr. Jorge E. U. Cristobal, the second (2nd) child of five (5)
4 children of Adriano Maria and Carmen De Leon Untalan Cristobal, was born
5 on October 26, 1918, in *Hagåtña*, Guam; and

6 **WHEREAS**, Mr. Jorge Cristobal is married to Beatriz Santos Castro
7 Cristobal; and

8 **WHEREAS**, Mr. and Mrs. Jorge and Beatriz Cristobal have four (4)
9 children; Enrico A. Cristobal, Pazita C. Cristobal, Jorge E.C. Cristobal II, and
10 Antonita C. Perez; and have thirteen (13) grandchildren and ten (10) great
11 grandchildren; and

12 **WHEREAS**, Mr. Jorge Cristobal attended Guam Institute High School,
13 where he graduated in the summer of 1934; and

14 **WHEREAS**, with the encouragement of his father, Jorge traveled to
15 Japan to learn the Japanese language and to learn more about the Japanese
16 porcelain industry; and

17 **WHEREAS**, Jorge enrolled in Waseda University, an international
18 language institute, and became fluent in the Japanese language; and

19 **WHEREAS**, in his fifth (5th) year of studying, his professors
20 recommended that Jorge return to Guam because of the war brewing between
21 Japan and China; and

1 **WHEREAS**, upon Jorge’s return to Guam in 1939, he enlisted into the
2 U.S. Navy and served on various battleships, such as the USS MARYLAND,
3 the USS CALIFORNIA, the USS REGAL, and the USS ARGONNE, during
4 which he had the distinct pleasure of serving under the command of Captain
5 Bunkley, USN, and Vice Admiral Robert Ghormley, and Admiral William Bull
6 Hasley; and

7 **WHEREAS**, on December 7, 1941, while serving aboard the USS
8 California, which was docked in Pearl Harbor, Hawaii with the other
9 battleships of the Navy Fleet, Jorge survived the infamous Japanese attack on
10 Pearl Harbor; and

11 **WHEREAS**, on July 21, 1943, along with many of the brave men of the
12 U.S. Armed Forces, Jorge participated in the liberation of Guam from Japanese
13 occupation; and

14 **WHEREAS**, subsequent to the signing of the Japanese Surrender during
15 World War II, because of his fluency in the Japanese language, Jorge was
16 assigned to the Third Marine Division, Fleet Marine Forces Pacific to assist in
17 the post war trials in Tokyo; and

18 **WHEREAS**, Jorge continued his service in the U.S. Navy at the Naval
19 Air Station, Cecil Field in Jacksonville, Florida; at St. Albans Naval Hospital in
20 New York; and at the Coronado Island Naval Base in San Diego, California;
21 and

1 **WHEREAS**, Jorge retired honorably from the U.S. Navy in December of
2 1961 and returned with his family to Tamuning, Guam; and

3 **WHEREAS**, Mr. Jorge Cristobal worked for many years with various
4 federal and local government entities and with Guam’s private sector, having
5 served as Manager of the Nimitz Hill Navy Exchange; Manager of the
6 Military Uniforms Store, Andersen Air Force Base; Manager of the Guam
7 Housing Corporation; and with the *Hagåtña* and Tamuning branches of the
8 Bank of America, and he was instrumental in the establishing and building of
9 the Guam International Trade Center located in Tamuning; and

10 **WHEREAS**, Mr. Jorge Cristobal also established the Founder’s Mutual
11 Fund and the National Veterans Serviceman’s Fund on Guam, and served as
12 Grand Knight of the Knights Of Columbus and a Parish Lector for St.
13 Anthony Parish; and

14 **WHEREAS**, in 1993, Mr. Jorge Cristobal received the “Commander-in-
15 Chief Award”, awarded by the Veterans of Foreign Wars. In 1994, he served
16 as Vice President and Chaplain of Fleet Reserve Association and was honored
17 as Navy Grand Marshall at the 50th Guam Liberation Day Anniversary; and

18 **WHEREAS**, the life and times of Jorge Cristobal have been featured in
19 the book **PACIFIC WAR STORIES: IN THE WORDS OF THOSE WHO**
20 **SURVIVED** by Rex Alan Smith & Gerald A. Meehl and in *Guahan Magazine’s*
21 article ‘A Life of Adventure’ by Frank Whitman; and

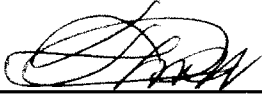
1 **WHEREAS**, on October 26, 2008, Mr. Jorge Cristobal will celebrate his
2 ninetieth (90th) birthday; now, therefore, be it

3 **RESOLVED**, that the Executive Committee of *I Mina'Bente Nuebi Na*
4 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the
5 people of Guam, commends Mr. Jorge E. U. Cristobal for his many years of
6 service to our island and our nation; and be it further

7 **RESOLVED**, that the Executive Committee of *I Mina'Bente Nuebi Na*
8 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the
9 people of Guam, congratulate Mr. Jorge E. U. Cristobal on the occasion of his
10 ninetieth (90th) birthday and does join his family and friends in wishing him a
11 happy birthday and many happy returns; and be it further

12 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Executive
13 Committee certify, and the Secretary of the Legislature attest to the adoption
14 hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Mr. Jorge E.U.
15 Cristobal, his wife and children, and to the Honorable Felix P. Camacho, *I*
16 *Maga'lahaen Guåhan*.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
OF *I MINA'BENTE NUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN* ON THE
OCTOBER DAY OF 21ST 2008.



JUDITH T. WON PAT, ED. D.
Speaker and
Chairperson, Executive Committee



TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES
Senator and
Secretary of the Legislature