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

Ex Comm.
Resolution No. 165

Introduced by:

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v.c. pangelinan
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RELATIVE TO RECOGNIZING THE OUTSTANDING
CONTRIBUTION OF MR. ROBERT AGUON LIZAMA
TO EDUCATION ON GUAM AND TO OFFER
HEARTFELT CONDOLENCES TO HIS FAMILY ON
HIS UNTIMELY PASSING

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

3 WHEREAS, Mr. Robert A. Lizama was born on June 18, 1961 to proud
4 parents Vicente Borja Lizama and Jane Aguon Lizama ; and

5 WHEREAS, Robert graduated from Father Duenas Memorial School in
6 1979; and

7 WHEREAS, Robert attended the University of Guam and received a
8 Bachelor of Arts degree in Special Education and Elementary Education in

1 1983, and a Master in Education degree in School Administration in 1988 from
2 the same institution; and

3 **WHEREAS**, Robert began his teaching career as an elementary school
4 teacher at Andersen Elementary School in 1983 until he became the school's
5 Assistant Principal in 1989 and later the Assistant Principal at Finegayan
6 Elementary until 1992; and

7 **WHEREAS**, Robert, who had performed admirably as Assistant
8 Principal at Finegayan Elementary, was named Principal of the school the
9 following year and remained in that position for eight (8) years from 1992 to
10 2000. He later became the Principal from 2000 to 2007 at Tamuning
11 Elementary and was assigned as Principal in late 2007 at Agana Heights
12 Elementary where he remained until his untimely passing; and

13 **WHEREAS**, Robert was a true innovator and leader in local education
14 with a tremendous love for the island. He saw teaching as a way of life, a
15 profession with so much responsibility, challenge, and joy. From the onset of
16 his teaching career in the Guam public school system, Robert had stayed
17 committed to serving the children of Guam, knowing that only through the
18 power of education can they truly be successful in life; and

19 **WHEREAS**, Robert, in his role as Administrator, had an uncanny
20 dedication to his staff and faculty, always ensuring that they were given the
21 necessary tools to accomplish their jobs even in times where funding for
22 education has been very limited; and

1 **WHEREAS**, Robert epitomized the ideals of the model teacher and
2 administrator, a person that all teachers and administrators should strive to
3 emulate ; and

4 **WHEREAS**, Robert Aguon Lizama, also known in the schools as “Mr.
5 L”, has positively affected the lives of many of our island children and his
6 contributions to the Guam Public School System will be remembered forever.
7 He will be greatly missed by his family, his friends, and his community; now,
8 therefore, be it

9 **RESOLVED**, that *I Mina’Bente Nuebi Na Liheslaturan Guahan* hereby
10 recognize the outstanding contribution of Mr. Robert Aguon Lizama to
11 education on Guam and to offer his family heartfelt condolences on his
12 untimely passing; and

13 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairman of
14 the Executive Committee certify, and the Secretary of *I Liheslatura* attest to, the
15 adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to the
16 family of Mr. Robert Aguon Lizama; the Principal of Finegayan Elementary
17 School; the Principal of Tamuning Elementary School; the Principal of Agana
18 Heights Elementary School; Mr. Luis S.N. Reyes, the Superintendent of the
19 Guam Public School System; and the Honorable Felix P. Camacho, *I*
20 *Maga’lahen Guahan*.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY *I MINA'BENTE NUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN* ON THE _____ DAY OF _____ 2007.

MARK FORBES
Speaker

RAY TENORIO
Senator and
Secretary of the Legislature