


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

Executive Committee
Resolution No. 246

Introduced by:

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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 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 child of five children**
4 **by Adriano Maria and Carmen De Leon Untalan Cristobal, was born on**
5 **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**
9 **children; Enrico A. Cristobal, Pazita C. Cristobal, Jorge E.C. Cristobal II, and**
10 **Antonita C. Perez; and have thirteen grandchildren and ten great**
11 **grandchildren; and**

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

1 **WHEREAS**, with the encouragement of his father, Jorge traveled to
2 Japan to learn the Japanese language and to learn more about the Japanese
3 porcelain industry; and

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

6 **WHEREAS**, in his fifth year of studying, his professors recommended
7 that Jorge return to Guam because of the war brewing between Japan and
8 China; and

9 **WHEREAS**, upon Jorge's return to Guam in 1939, he enlisted into the
10 US Navy and served on such various battle ships as the USS MARYLAND,
11 the USS CALIFORNIA, the USS REGAL, the USS ARGONNE and during
12 which had the distinct pleasure of serving under the command of Captain
13 Bunkley USN and Vice Admiral Robert Ghormley, and Admiral William Bull
14 Hasley.; and

15 **WHEREAS**, on December 7, 1941, while serving aboard the USS
16 California which was docked in Pearl Harbor Hawaii with the other
17 Battleships of the Navy Fleet, Jorge survived the infamous Japanese attack on
18 Pearl Harbor; and

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

22 **WHEREAS**, subsequent to the signing of the Japanese Surrender during
23 World War II, because of his fluency in the Japanese language, Jorge was
24 assigned to the third Marine Division, Fleet Marine Forces Pacific to assist in
25 the post war trials in Tokyo; and

1 **WHEREAS**, Jorge continued his service in the US Navy at the Naval Air
2 Station Cecil Field in Jacksonville, Florida; at St. Albans Naval Hospital in
3 New York; and at the Coronado Island Naval Base in San Diego California;
4 and

5 **WHEREAS**, Jorge retired honorably from the US Navy in December of
6 1961 and returned with his family to Tamuning, Guam; and

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

14 **WHEREAS**, Mr. Jorge Cristobal also established the Founder’s Mutual
15 Fund and the National Veterans Serviceman's Fund on Guam and served as
16 Grand Knight of the Knight’s Of Columbus and a Parish Lector for St.
17 Anthony Parish; and

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

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

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

3 **RESOLVED**, that the Executive Committee of *I Mina'Bente Nuebi Na*
4 *Lihselaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Lihselaturan 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 *Lihselaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Lihselaturan Guåhan* and the
9 people of Guam, congratulates Mr. Jorge E. U. Cristobal on the occasion of his
10 90th birthday and joins his family and friends in wishing him a happy
11 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 GUÅHAN ON THE
DAY OF 2008.**

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

TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES
Senator and
Secretary of the Legislature