

I MINA BENTE OCHONA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
2006 (SECOND) Regular Session

~~Executive Committee~~

Resolution No. 178(EC)

Introduced by:

F. B. AGUON, JR. 

RELATIVE TO RECOGNIZING THE ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND DEDICATION OF THE LATE HONORABLE RITA AFLEJE TAINATONGO, MAYOR OF MERIZO AND EXTENDS A HUMBLE AND SINCERE CONDOLENCES TO HER FAMILY, AND A *UN DANGKOLO' NA SI YU'OS MA'ASE'* FOR HER LIFETIME OF DEDICATED PUBLIC SERVICE ON BEHALF OF *I LIHESLATURAN GUAHAN* AND THE PEOPLE OF GUAM.

1 BE IT RESOLVED BY *I MINA BENTE OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN*
2 *GUAHAN*

3 WHEREAS, The late Honorable Rita Mayor Afleje Tainatongo was born
4 on January 7, 1949 to the late Rosa Tedpahogo-Champaco Afleje and
5 Antonio Taitano Afleje, and was raised as a teen by her reared parents
6 Felipe Duenas and Josefina Acfalle Candaso of Merizo; and

7 WHEREAS, Mayor Rita Afleje Tainatongo is married to Ramon Baza
8 Tainatongo a retired Federal Civil Service employee ; and

9 WHEREAS, Mayor Rita Afleje Tainatongo is a proud parent of Ramon
10 Baza Tainatongo, Jr. (dec.), Anthony Gerard and Antonia A. Tainatongo, and
11 grand parent to Analisia, Anthony Jr., Alexander, Brittney-Rae, Kristen-Lee,
12 Kasea Jo, Kevin Jr. (dec.), and Amya Liana; and

1 **WHEREAS**, Mayor Rita Afleje Tainatongo graduated from Academy of
2 Our Lady of Guam, class of 1967; and

3 **WHEREAS**, Mayor Rita Afleje Tainatongo worked at the Merizo
4 Elementary School and the Federal Civil Service; and

5 **WHEREAS**, in 1985 Mayor Rita Afleje Tainatongo was hired by the
6 Merizo Mayor’s Office as Municipal Clerk and worked herself up to the
7 position of Administrative Assistant to the Mayor; and

8 **WHEREAS**, Mayor Rita Afleje Tainatongo participated in many
9 charitable organizations such as American Cancer Society, American Red
10 Cross, Senior Citizens Programs, and the Malesso Fiestan Tasi Events;and

11 **WHEREAS**, Mayor Rita Afleje Tainatongo served over sixteen (16)
12 years as a key staff member of the Merizo Mayor’s office; and

13 **WHEREAS**, Rita Afleje Tainatongo served the wonderful people of
14 Merizo for two (2) terms; being recognized as a very effective and community
15 oriented Mayor and shared her sincere concern and compassion in serving her
16 people; and

17 **WHEREAS**, Rita Afleje Tainatongo’s commitment to helping people
18 and their families has been the reason she became the first female Mayor of
19 Merizo; therefore, be it

20 **RESOLVED**, that *I Mina’ Bente Ocho Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby,
21 on behalf of the people of Guam, recognize the outstanding contributions and
22 services of the late Mayor Rita Afleje Tainatongo, and extends humble and

1 sincere condolences to the Tainatongo Family and Dangkolo' Na Si Yu'os
2 Ma'ase'; and be it further

3 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker certify, and the Secretary of the
4 Legislature attest to, the adoption hereof, and that a copies of the same be
5 thereafter transmitted to her husband: Mr. Tainatongo; to the Mayor's Council
6 of Guam; and to the Honorable Felix P. Camacho, *I Maga'lahaen Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY I MINA'BENTE OCHO NA
LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE 15th DAY OF AUGUST 2006.**

MARK FORBES

Speaker

EDWARD J.B. CALVO

Senator and Secretary of the Legislature