





I MINA' BENTE OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUAHAN
2005 (FIRST) REGULAR SESSION

Resolution No. 20 (LS)

Introduced by:

B.J.F. CRUZ 
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RELATIVE TO COMMENDING AND
CONGRATULATING ATTORNEY JOAQUIN C.
ARRIOLA, JR. FOR HIS SERVICE AS THE
PRESIDENT OF THE GUAM BAR ASSOCIATION

WHEREAS, Attorney Joaquin C. Arriola, Jr., affectionately known as "Jay" by his family, friends, and associates, has continuously served as President of the Guam Bar Association since 1997; and

WHEREAS, Attorney Arriola, the son of Attorney and Former Speaker Joaquin C. Arriola and the late distinguished Senator Elizabeth P. Arriola, is a 1986 graduate of Rutgers University with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Political Science and English, received his Juris Doctorate in 1989 from Santa Clara University School of Law; and

WHEREAS, Attorney Arriola returned to Guam to practice law as a Partner in the Arriola, Cowan & Arriola Law Firm in the areas of

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criminal defense, civil litigation, probate, commercial, real estate, and corporate litigation, after serving as Deputy Public Defender for the San Diego County Law Office of the Public Defender in San Diego, California, and Senior Legal Aide for the Santa Clara County Public Defender's Office in San Jose, California; and

WHEREAS, Attorney Arriola is a member of the Commonwealth of the Northern Marianas Islands Bar Association and the State Bar of California, admitted to practice law in Guam, the Northern Marianas Islands, and the State of California; having argued cases in those territorial and state courts as well as the U.S. District Court of Guam, the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of California, the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit, and the Supreme Court of the United States; and

WHEREAS, Attorney Arriola serves as a Member of the American Bar Association, the National Conference of Bar Presidents, State Representative for the National Conference of Criminal Justice Attorneys, Chairman of the Guam Criminal Justice Act Panel Attorneys Standing Committee, Member of the Public Defender Service Corporation Board of Trustees and the Board of Law Examiners of the Supreme Court of Guam; and

WHEREAS, Attorney Arriola has exhibited strong community advocacy and volunteerism through his involvement with the Archdiocesan Board of Education and the Coral Life Foundation, in

addition to his patronage of numerous community and civic organizations; and

WHEREAS, Among his numerous accomplishments as President of the Guam Bar Association, Attorney Arriola focused on providing more continuing legal education opportunities for local attorneys; established the Rules of Discipline governing attorney conduct; hired an Ethics Prosecutor to timely adjudicate complaints against attorneys; advocated for the District Court's panel of lawyers for court-appointed cases; and established a Guam Bar Computer Satellite Room for use by Attorneys at the Guam Judicial Center; and

WHEREAS, During his tenure as President of the Guam Bar, Attorney Arriola was effective in advocating for members of the Guam Bar before the Judicial Council in all procedural, technical, and logistical matters; and

WHEREAS, Attorney Arriola was steadfast in ensuring that all issues relative to court appointments from the Guam Judiciary were expressed both to the Guam Judiciary and to the Guam Legislature including concerns over the longstanding unpaid liabilities owed to court appointed attorneys and the effective use of legislative appropriations and the budget of the Guam Judiciary relative to indigent legal services ensuring fairness for all; and

WHEREAS, all accomplishments of the Guam Bar Association have run parallel with the reduction of bar dues for the first time in the history of the Bar; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that *I Liheslaturan Guahan* hereby expresses its commendation and congratulations to Attorney Joaquin C. "Jay" Arriola, Jr. for his service as President of the Guam Bar Association; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Speaker certify to and the Legislative Secretary attest the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be transmitted to the Guam Bar Association, the Chief Justice of the Guam Judiciary, the Attorney General, and *I Maga'lahaen Guahan*.