

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

Resolution No. 211 (cc)

Introduced by:

F. F. Blas, Jr. *FF*

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**Relative to recognizing and commending Mr. Richard Q. Calamba on the occasion of his retirement after twenty-six (26) years of active service to the people of Guam and wishing him and his Family well on his new retirement endeavors.**

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

3 **WHEREAS,** Richard Q. Calamba, known affectionately as "*Uncle Rich*", a  
4 rambunctious, energetic, quick-witted, devoted, dedicated and committed individual  
5 has always volunteered countless hours, without monetary compensation, to various  
6 community programs, such as: Youth for Youth LIVE! Guam (YFYLG); the  
7 American Red Cross; the Civil Defense/Homeland Security and numerous outreach  
8 activities and programs with other public and private and non-profit entities; and

9 **WHEREAS,** "*Uncle Rich*" has had many roles within the Department of  
10 Mental Health and Substance Abuse, including being Santa Claus for the children of  
11 Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse. His transfer to the Department of  
12 Mental Health and Substance Abuse from the Department of Youth Affairs was not a  
13 loss because of his continued dedication to the service of youth on our island  
14 regardless of agency affiliation; and

1           **WHEREAS**, his sharp wit and humorous persona was always welcomed and  
2 appreciated during the long hours of work with Civil Defense as a Response Activity  
3 Coordinator and Civilian Emergency Response Team member during the islands  
4 times of natural disasters; and

5           **WHEREAS**, his continued dedication carried over into his work with the  
6 Department of Administration, Training and Development where he spent many hours  
7 conducting trainings and presentations such as Stress Management, Anger  
8 Management and Drug-Free Workplace for the government workforce; and

9           **WHEREAS**, “*Uncle Rich’s*” overflow of unconditional love for our island  
10 youth was most apparent during the twelve (12) years of the Summer Youth and  
11 Water Safety Program where he attended to all the children participants and youth  
12 staff in and out of the water, cooked daily meals, responded to cuts and scrapes and  
13 maintained order in and around the pool grounds; and

14           **WHEREAS**, “*Uncle Rich*” served as a mentor to his colleagues within the  
15 Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse and to the children within the  
16 Youth for Youth LIVE! Guam organization, many who have grown into adults and  
17 remain forever indebted to him for his contributions that have carried them into their  
18 lives as mothers, fathers, community volunteers and prevention advocates; and

19           **WHEREAS**, Richard has always been an advocate for the Youth of Guam and  
20 Prevention, and will always be remembered for his outgoing and infectious  
21 personality that has made his twenty-six (26) years of service in the government of  
22 Guam a lifetime experience for each and every person he came into contact with; now,  
23 therefore, be it

24           **RESOLVED**, that *I Mina’ Bente Nuebi Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby,  
25 on behalf of the people of Guam, recognize and commend Mr. Richard Q. Calamba  
26 for his long and devoted career on the occasion of his retirement from the government  
27 of Guam; and be it further

1           **RESOLVED**, that a copy of this Resolution to posted in a conspicuous place  
2 for all to read so that even after “*Uncle Rich’s*” retirement we may continue to be  
3 inspired by his commitment to fulfilling a better life for all of us; and be it further

4           **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker certify, and the Secretary of the Legislature  
5 attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to  
6 Mr. Richard Q. Calamba; to the Honorable Madeleine Z. Bordallo, Member of  
7 Congress, United States House of Representatives, and to the Honorable Felix P.  
8 Camacho, *I Maga’lahen Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY *I MINA’BENTE NUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN* GUÅHAN THE 23<sup>RD</sup> DAY OF DECEMBER 2008.**

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**JUDITH T. WON PAT**  
Speaker

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**TINA ROSE MUÑA-BARNES**  
Senator and  
Secretary of the Legislature