

I MINA'BENTE NUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
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**RELATIVE TO COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING
DR. JEFF D.T. BARCINAS ON THE OCCASION OF HIS
RETIREMENT FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF GUAM, FOR
HIS DEDICATION, LEADERSHIP, AND SERVICE TO
HIGHER EDUCATION ON GUAM AND TO EXPRESSING
A HEARFELT UN DANGKULO NA SI YU'OS MA'ASE'
AND BEST WISHES, ON BEHALF OF THE PEOPLE OF
GUAM, ON HIS FUTURE ENDEAVORS.**

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

3 **WHEREAS,** Jeff David Tainatongo Barcinas was born on January 18,
4 1956, a proud son of Guam, and;

5 **WHEREAS,** Dr. Jeff D.T. Barcinas, affectionately referred to as Dr. Jeff
6 by his friends and colleagues, leaves the University of Guam as the Vice
7 President of University and Community Engagement, after decades of service,
8 leaving behind a legacy of excellence in higher education on Guam, and;

9 **WHEREAS,** Dr. Jeff graduated from Father Duenas Memorial High
10 School, in June 1974, then attended the University of Guam from June 1972 to
11 May 1976, eventually transferring to California State Polytechnic University in

1 Pomona, California and obtaining his Bachelor of Science Degree in
2 Agriculture Business Management in June 1979, and;

3 **WHEREAS**, not wanting to rest on his academic laurels, Dr. Jeff
4 pursued higher education obtaining a Master of Arts degree in Agricultural
5 Economics from Washington State University in Pullman, Washington in
6 August 1981 in which his Master's Project titled, *Small Farm Record Book*
7 *System* was eventually published as a Cooperative Extension Manual. He then
8 continued his education reaching his goal of obtaining a Doctor of
9 Philosophy(Ph.D.) degree in Agricultural Education the Ohio State University
10 in Columbus Ohio in December of 1989, with an emphasis on Extension
11 Education, Research & Statistics, Administration in Higher Education, and
12 Evaluation, and;

13 **WHEREAS**, Dr. Jeff was first hired at the University of Guam in August
14 5, 1979 as an Extension Agent I, and was quickly promoted through the ranks
15 reaching the position of Extension Agent IV in August of 1991. The following
16 year, he was promoted to Associate Dean of the Cooperative Extension
17 Service at the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences. In August of 1996, Dr.
18 Jeff was chosen as the new Dean of the College of Agriculture and Life
19 Sciences at the University of Guam and Director of the Agriculture
20 Experiment Station and Director of the Cooperative Extension Service,
21 positions that he held until May 2003, with the exception of the Directorship
22 of the Cooperative Extension Service which he held until October 2007, and;

23 **WHEREAS**, as Dr. Jeff's ability as an administrator became well known,
24 he was called on to serve the University community in many other positions.
25 In August 2000, he was named Acting Vice President for Academic Affairs,

1 then served as the Acting Associate Vice President for Enrollment
2 Management and Student Services from April 2002 to May 2003, a role that
3 endeared him to the students of the University of Guam and earned him their
4 respect, and;

5 WHEREAS, in May 2003, by the wisdom of the University
6 Administration, Dr. Jeff was named Acting Vice President, University and
7 Community Engagement, and in March 2005, was permanently appointed the
8 Vice President, University and Community Engagement, a position he has
9 held until his retirement from the University of Guam and the Government of
10 Guam, and;

11 WHEREAS, as Vice President, University and Community Engagement,
12 Dr. Jeff's primary duties were, establishing the new initiative of the President
13 in establishing the engagement agenda for the University of Guam, including
14 the strengthening of the Land Grant Mission of the University of Guam in the
15 area of Public Service; Focusing on strengthening the federal and local
16 government relations, including regional and national partners and
17 organizations; Increasing the revenue opportunities for the Professional
18 Development and Lifelong Center, English Language Institute,
19 Telecommunications and Distance Education Operations, and TRIO programs
20 and other auxiliary units. Finally, he was tasked with initiating a University-
21 wide extension program working the Cooperative Extension Service
22 component and expand the extension outreach opportunities from local
23 government, business and industrial sector, private organizations, and the
24 community of Guam with the University of Guam as the 'resource of choice',
25 and;

1 **WHEREAS**, as a result of his combination of education, talent, drive,
2 and ability, Dr. Jeff was appointed to sit on several organizations, panels, and
3 committees including; Advisory Member for Region IX – Southwest States
4 and Pacific Basin Regional Water Quality Program from September 2007 – to
5 Present; USDA National Program Review Team for Region IX – Southwest
6 States and Pacific Basin Regional Water Quality Program - September 2008 –
7 Honolulu, Hawaii; Farm Bill Committee representative for Insular Areas,
8 Board on Agriculture, National Association of State University and Land
9 Grant Colleges, Washington, D.C. – 2004 – November 2008; Western Region
10 Extension Committee on Program (ECOP) Representative for Programs – 4
11 year appointment- (ECOP is the National Umbrella for programming of the
12 Cooperative Extension Service across all 106 land grant institutions) –
13 February 2004 – October 2007; Federal Liaison for Insular Area Land Grant
14 Institution for Federal Programs and serve with other key members across the
15 1994 and 1890 Land Grant Institutions working closely with the federal
16 partners; Governor Felix Camacho and Lt. Governor Kaleo Moylan Education
17 Transition Team Chairman – 2001-2002; Member on Articulation Committee
18 between 1862’s , 1890’s , 1994’s , and Insular Area Land Grant Institutions.
19 Resolution passed by the Administrative Heads and the Board on Agriculture
20 to encouraged the full cooperation and partnership between the land grant
21 institutions; American Samoa Community College Land Grant Program
22 USDA Federal Review Team - Appointment by United States Department of
23 Agriculture, Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service;
24 and many others, and;

1 **WHEREAS**, Dr. Jeff is the recipient of many awards among which are;
2 Director Emeritus - Western Association of Cooperative Extension Directors, March
3 2008; NASULGC Plaque of Recognition for Service as member of the Extension
4 Committee on Organization and Policy, November 2007; Top Ten Donor – University
5 of Guam Endowment Foundation – 2007; Lifetime Donor – University of Guam
6 Endowment Foundation – 2002; Nominated and Selected International Distinguished
7 Scientific Leader, 2002; Nominated and Selected Outstanding Young Man of
8 America, 1981, 1989; Inducted in Chi Omicron Gamma Honorary Fraternity,
9 University of Guam, 1990; Inducted into Gamma Sigma Delta, Agricultural Honorary
10 Fraternity - Ohio State University Beta Chapter, 1988; Nominated for Who/ Who's in
11 Guam in Twentieth Century, 1990; and numerous other certificates of appreciation
12 and recognition for various University and community work, and;

13 **WHEREAS**, Dr. Jeff has been a driving force in the University in the
14 writing and obtaining of federal grants that has enabled the University to
15 provide services to the people of Guam, some of those grants include;
16 Innovations Grant for Accountability Workshop for Insular Areas. United
17 Stated Department of Agriculture, Cooperative State Research, Education, and
18 Extension Services, Washington, D.C. 2004. - \$25,000 and with supplemental
19 reserve for \$25,000; Sea Grant Program in Guam, United States Department of
20 Commerce, National Office on Atmospheric Administration, National Sea Grant
21 Office, Washington, D.C. \$100,000 with a second year funding for extension and
22 programs; Project Youth Empowerment. Youth-at-Risk USDA Grant. Cooperative
23 Extension Service. United States Department of Agriculture: Washington, D.C. -
24 \$150,000; Animal Waste Management in Guam. Water Quality Initiative USDA
25 Grant. Cooperative Extension Service. Untied States Department of Agriculture:
26 Washington, D.C. - \$66,000; and many others, and;

1 **WHEREAS**, in addition to his many positions that he has held in the
2 University, Dr. Jeff has also been very active in University and College
3 Committees and activities. Some of which are; Chairman, University of Guam
4 Animal Care and Utilization Committee, November 2008; Chairman, Tenth
5 President Investiture Ceremony – Board of Regents – March 2008; Chairman, Ninth
6 President Retirement Recognition Committee – Board of Regent, November 2007;
7 Chief Negotiator, University of Guam Board of Regents, BOR-Faculty Union
8 Contract Agreement – 2002University of Guam Contract Negotiation Team - 1993
9 and 1998 - Interest Based Bargaining with Federal Mediation Service; Chairman,
10 University Salary Committee, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007; Chairman, Numerous
11 Search Committee for Senior Administration Positions; Chairman, University of
12 Guam Commencement Committee - September 1992 – 1996, 2001, 2002; Chairman,
13 Extension Ad-Hoc Committee on Position Reclassification and Salary Parity -1992;
14 Chairman, Extension Ad-Hoc Committee on Extension Protocol and Office Procedure
15 – 1992; Member, CALS Ad-Hoc Committee on Extension Promotion and Tenure
16 Criteria – 1991; Member, College of Agriculture and Life Sciences Academic Affairs
17 Committee, July 1979 - August 2003; Chairman, CALS-AAC Curriculum
18 Committee, May 1990 - September 1991; Member, University Promotion and Tenure
19 Committee - September 1990 - August 1991; Co-Chair, University of Guam
20 Commencement Committee, September 1990 - August 199, and;

21 **WHEREAS**, in addition to his numerous University activities, he has
22 managed to find time for community activities as well, some of which are;
23 serving as a Member of the Governor’s Committee on State Clearinghouse
24 Panel – 2008; Commission Member, Chamorro Language Commission, March
25 - 1991 - 1994; President, Merizo San Dimas Parish Council – March 1990 -
26 present; Resource Person, Guam Agricultural Board of Commissioners - 1990-

1 1994; Resource Person, Marianas Council on Resource Conservation and
2 Development- 1991-1994; served as Chairman, Marianas Council on Resource
3 Conservation and Development - 1993 - 1994; was the Co-Coordinator,
4 Governor Task Force on Development of Agricultural Policy - 1991 1994;
5 served as the CALS Liaison, Soil and Water Conservation Districts; Member,
6 Young Men's League of Guam - June 1981 - present; Scholarship Committee
7 Chairman, Young Men's League of Guam. - June 1990 - 1994; Vice President,
8 Young Men's League of Guam - June 1985 - May 1986; Secretary, Young Men's
9 League of Guam - June 1983 - June 1984; Member, Knights of Columbus -
10 Council No.5666 Guam - March 1982 - 1994; Charter Grand Knight, Council
11 No. 11508. Merizo, Guam. November 1994 - present; and Member, Knights of
12 Columbus Assembly 1555 Guam - 4th degree, June 1992 – present, and;

13 **WHEREAS**, Dr. Jeff D.T. Barcinas, dedicated his career to advancing the
14 land grant mission of the University of Guam and established a positive
15 working relationship with the staff, faculty, administrators and students of the
16 University of Guam; now, therefore, be it

17 **RESOLVED**, that *I Mina'Bente Nuebi Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does
18 hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, commend Dr. Jeff D.T. Barcinas for
19 his dedication, leadership, service, and advancement of higher education on
20 Guam, and joins in congratulating him on his retirement and extends a
21 heartfelt *Un Dangkulo Na Si Yu'os Ma'ase'* and best wishes on his future
22 endeavors, and be it further;

23 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker certify, and the Secretary of the Legislature
24 attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to
25 Jeff David Tainatongo Barcinas, Ph.D.; to Benjamin FA Leon Guerrero II, President,

1 University of Guam Student Government Association; to Peter “Sonny: Ada,
2 Chairman, University of Guam Board of Regents; to Dr. Robert A. Underwood,
3 President of the University of Guam; and to the Honorable Felix P. Camacho, *I*
4 *Maga'lahaen Guåhan*.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY *I MINA'BENTE NUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* ON THE TH DAY OF DECEMBER 2008.

JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D.
Speaker

TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES
Senator and
Secretary of the Legislature