

**I MINA' BENTE NUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN**  
**2007 (FIRST) Regular Session**

Resolution No. 46 (LS)

Introduced by:

Dr. David L. G. Shimizu

**Relative to honoring Tan Josefina Dela Cruz, a Guam Centenarian, during Senior Citizens Month 2007.**

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

3           **WHEREAS**, the Manamko of Guam are a most precious resource and a link to  
4 the history, culture, and identity of the people of Guam; and

5           **WHEREAS**, Guam's Manamko are to be appreciated and honored for their  
6 invaluable contributions to the fiber and life of our community during this month  
7 celebrating Senior Citizens; and

8           **WHEREAS**, some of our Manamko have reached the amazing milestone in  
9 life of being at least 100 years old and are known as "Centenarians"; and

10          **WHEREAS**, Tan Josefina Dela Cruz is one of our Centenarians and should be  
11 honored for achieving this milestone; and

12          **WHEREAS**, Tan Josephina Dela Cruz was born on Guam, on March 22, 1906  
13 according to the records of the pattered reporting births, however Tan Josephine knows  
14 her true birthday to be March 6; and

15          **WHEREAS**, Tan Josefina lived in the Aguada area of Piti, and suffered a  
16 gunshot wound to the back which caused her to lose her sight; and

17          **WHEREAS**, Tan Josefina underwent numerous attempts to correct her  
18 blindness, however, they were unsuccessful, however, she became very resourceful  
19 without sight; and

1           **WHEREAS**, Tan Josephina helped raise her sister’s 8 children and many other  
2 nieces and nephews who call her “Nina”; she would cook meals, wash clothes using a  
3 batea, hang laundry to dry, look after children, sew clothes, and even measure  
4 ingredients by touch to make buñelos aga’; now, therefore, be it

5           **RESOLVED**, that *I Mina' Bente Nuebi Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby,  
6 on behalf of the people of Guam, recognize and honor Tan Josefina Dela Cruz as an  
7 honored Centenarian on the occasion of Senior Citizens Month 2007; and be it further

8           **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker certify, and the Secretary of the Legislature  
9 attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to  
10 Tan Josephina Dela Cruz and her family; and to the Honorable Felix P. Camacho, *I*  
11 *Maga'lahaen Guåhan*

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY I MINA’BENTE NUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE \_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_ 2007.**

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**Mark Forbes**  
**Speaker**

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**Ray Tenorio**  
**Senator and**  
**Secretary of the Legislature**