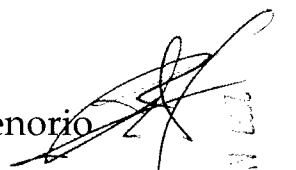


*MINA' BENTE NUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN*  
2007 (FIRST) Regular Session

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Ray Tenorio



Relative to welcoming Gary Valenciano, a Filipino Pop Music Icon, on his visit to Guam and to commend him in performing on behalf of the Guam Museum Foundation, for the benefit of the people of Guam, upon the occasion of his visit to our island.

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GARY

**BE IT RESOLVED BY I MINA BENTE' NUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN GUAHAN:**

1       **WHEREAS,** Gary Valenciano, born as Edgardo Jose Martin  
2 Santiago Valenciano was born on August 6, 1964 in Santa Mesa, Manila,  
3 Philippines to Vicente Valenciano and Grimilda Santiago. He is the sixth  
4 child in a brood of seven; and

5       **WHEREAS,** Gary Valenciano is married to Maria Anna Elizabeth  
6 Pangilinan with whom he has three children: Juan Paolo Martin, Jose  
7 Angelo Gabriel and Kristina Maria Mikaela; and

8       **WHEREAS,** Gary Valenciano finished his primary and secondary  
9 education at La Salle Greenhills in Manila and during his high school  
10 days, he joined the popular music group, Kundirana. The group became  
11 popular on school campuses and this brief stint with the Kundirana

1 brought Gary to discover 'the power of music to influence lives'. Since  
2 then, he has devoted himself to music; and

3       **WHEREAS**, his first television appearance was on a television  
4 variety show hosted by mother and daughter Pilita Corales and Jackie  
5 Lou Blanco, 'The Pilita and Jackie Show' in 1982. However, it was his  
6 performances in other television shows such as 'Germspecial' hosted by  
7 Mr. German Moreno and 'Penthouse Live' hosted by Mr. Martin Nievera  
8 and Ms. Pops Fernandez that made people take notice of his exceptional  
9 talents. A series of concerts at the Tavern on the Square in Manila  
10 followed; then in April 1984, Gary made his big leap to the top of the pop  
11 music in the Philippines in his first solo concert, 'Gary V: A-Live' which  
12 jam packed the 15,000 seat Araneta Coliseum in Manila. In the same  
13 year, he went on his first international show in Singapore and has held  
14 several concerts in other places including Guam since then; and

15       **WHEREAS**, Gary Valenciano has recorded over 21 albums with  
16 tremendous success. Four have become gold, five went double  
17 platinum, three have reached triple platinum and one event went further  
18 to hit the quadruple platinum mark. Three of his albums are released  
19 internationally, 'Dancin' in the Moonlight' in 1992 under Toshiba-EMI  
20 Records in Japan; 'Out of the Dark' in 1995, which is a Christian  
21 contemporary album well received in the United States; and an Asian  
22 release titled, 'Outside Looking In', for Polygram Records. Gary was

1 also the first artist to make an interactive CD-ROM featuring the life and  
2 music of an artist. 'Gary: Interactive Album' was the first of its kind in  
3 Asia and turned gold in just one month; and,

4       **WHEREAS**, Gary Valenciano is the first National Ambassador of  
5 Goodwill of UNICEF (the United Nations Children's Fund) for the  
6 Philippines. In 1999, Gary was blessed with two Best Male Vocalist  
7 Awards, accomplishing what is known as a grand-slam in the Philippine  
8 music industry by winning both the AWIT and KATHA Awards, 16  
9 trophies for his Interactive Album and the Album of the year from  
10 KATHA. Not only can Gary sing, dance, compose and play instruments,  
11 he has also starred in his first attempt at theatre by performing in the  
12 musical play, 'Joseph the Dreamer'. The most recent recognition for  
13 Gary Valenciano to date is winning the 'Best Performance By A Male  
14 Recording Artist' for the song, 'In Another Lifetime' from the AWIT  
15 Awards presented to him on August 19, 2007. Gary co-produced, sang  
16 and garnered a second award for the same song for 'Best Ballad' which  
17 he shares with long-time friend, Mon Faustino; and

18       **WHEREAS**, singer, composer, actor both in theatre and the silver  
19 screen, musical arranger, music producer and musician, Gary  
20 Valenciano, on his fourth performance at the University of Guam  
21 Fieldhouse on September 15, 2007, this time to the benefit of the Guam  
22 Museum Foundation and the people of Guam; now therefore, be it

1           **RESOLVED**, that *I Mina'Bente Nuebi Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does  
2 hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, congratulate and commends  
3 Gary Valenciano for the hard work and commitment in the music  
4 industry and for the betterment of the communities that he visits; for the  
5 immeasurable and achievements which he attributes to his Christian  
6 belief and gives back to the people; and for his valuable contribution to  
7 the people of Guam through his talent by 'the power of music to  
8 influence lives'; and be it further

9           **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker certify, and the Legislative Secretary  
10 attest to, the adoption hereof and that copies of the same be thereafter  
11 transmitted to Mr. Gary Valenciano; to the Honorable Bayani Mercado,  
12 Philippine Consulate General ; and to the Honorable Felix P. Camacho, *I*  
13 *Maga'lahaen Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED ON THE \_\_\_\_ DAY OF  
AUGUST 2007.**

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**Mark Forbes**  
**Speaker**

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