

I MINA'BENTE NUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
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As amended.

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Relative to extending a sincere "*Biba I Kasimenton Larry Yan Si Carmen Kasperbauer*" who will be celebrating their Fiftieth (50th) Golden Wedding Anniversary on November 22, 2008, and to extending to them a heartfelt appreciation for their services and outstanding contributions for the betterment of our Island Community.

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

3 **WHEREAS**, in 1955, Carmen Artero was encouraged by her teacher,
4 Sister Clarella, to move from La Crosse, Wisconsin, to Carroll, Iowa, to attend
5 St. Anthony's School of Nursing, where Carmen met Marian Kasperbauer .
6 They were roommates since their first year of nursing school and quickly
7 became inseparable. Carmen occasionally visited the Kasperbauer home with
8 Marian during their first year of school; and

9 **WHEREAS**, Carmen recalls as a sophomore how she finally met the tall,
10 musclebound, and very handsome Iowan in the college science lab. As
11 sophomore at Iowa State University, Larry's recollection was how Marian
12 played cupid, and how as Carmen was engaged in the dissecting of some
13 gross, bloody thing under a microscope, she acted as if he didn't matter to her.
14 This impressed Larry and he began to wonder about this "foreign student".
15 He does not recall Carmen even looking up from her task to greet him as he
16 might have expected and hoped she would; and

17 **WHEREAS**, several months later, Carmen remembers being told she
18 could not visit the Kasperbauer home on one particular weekend because
19 Marian had a date with a special friend named Fred Fitzsimmons. Marian
20 convinced Carmen to visit anyway, and to Carmen's surprise Larry found
21 himself before the beautiful island girl again, remembering he drove almost
22 one hundred (100) miles to visit Mom and Dad for the weekend; and

1 **WHEREAS**, Carmen and Larry wound up on a double-date with his
2 sister and her boyfriend, Fred Fitzsimmons; they had a most enjoyable
3 evening at the Star Light Ballroom just east of Carroll. Larry tenderly recalls
4 how Carmen’s eyes were shining, her personality revealing that she was an
5 exciting and lovely woman to be with, and that she danced perfectly by all
6 standards, despite their height difference of twelve (12) inches. He fondly
7 reminisces that the Waltz and the Polka were perfect for them and admits
8 Carmen was just as perfect with the slower, more romantic songs. Carmen
9 says “she had one of the greatest nights ever! ”; and

10 **WHEREAS**, Carmen and Larry wrote letters to each other and
11 whenever Larry could catch a ride to Carroll, they would meet. He recalls
12 being so glad when he finally got his own car, a 1948 Chevy coupe with white
13 sidewall tires that cost him one-hundred twelve dollars and fifty cents
14 (\$112.50)! They shared fun, romantic things together, such as picnics at the
15 lake, going to the movies, attending Iowa State University activities and
16 dances, and Larry’s personal favorite, to park under the moonlight; and

17 **WHEREAS**, in their many conversations, Carmen and Larry discussed
18 marriage and family, and he remembers seeking advice about intercultural
19 marriages from his Iowa State University roommate, Jerry Voss, a U.S. Navy
20 veteran who had traveled the Pacific and “seen the world” beyond Iowa.
21 Jerry advised that the only thing that counted was how Carmen and Larry felt
22 about each other and that they agreed on what was important to them, and

1 their conversations on family and marriage continued. Carmen lovingly calls
2 to mind Larry spontaneously asking how many children she would have if
3 she was ever to marry. She said eight (8), and he said he wanted six (6),
4 because they both came from large families and they each wanted many
5 children; and

6 **WHEREAS**, Larry also recalls that during at least a couple of their
7 discussions, Carmen told him she was not interested in receiving a diamond
8 engagement ring. He went to his mother who advised him to get Carmen a
9 ring, regardless of cost, because Carmen would appreciate it. Upon his mom’s
10 recommendation, Larry went to Zales Jewelry in Ames, Iowa, and purchased
11 the very engagement ring that Carmen wears today, along with a wedding
12 band. Carmen remembers being nervous and moved by how sweet Larry was
13 when he put the ring on her finger and kissed her. She recalls “that night we
14 were both very happy”; and

15 **WHEREAS**, both Larry and Carmen worked to earn enough money to
16 pay for their own wedding. Carmen was nursing at Mary Greeley Hospital in
17 Ames, Iowa, and Larry was harvesting peas and beans for the Del Monte
18 Company in Illinois. Carmen used up all of her two dollar (\$2.00) gift
19 certificates and 19th century silver dollars on her wedding dress which, in the
20 end, cost her a whopping twenty-five dollars (\$25.00)! “I still recall the
21 women who worked at the bridal shop; they grabbed all of my silver dollars!”

1 To complete her wedding ensemble, Carmen borrowed her sister-in-law,
2 Patty's veil; and

3 **WHEREAS**, Carmen reminisced about her registered nurse friends and
4 Larry's classmates and colleagues from Iowa State University surprising the
5 couple with a buffet of light refreshments, such as, finger sandwiches and *petit*
6 *fours*; and

7 **WHEREAS**, Larry's parents hosted a rehearsal dinner the night before
8 the wedding at a very popular steak and seafood restaurant, the Solar Inn,
9 where Larry worked part-time washing dishes and peeling the potatoes used
10 for hash browns. His brother, Mike, was his mentor, advisor, and best man.
11 Larry's sister, Marian, was Carmen's Maid of Honor; and

12 **WHEREAS**, in that beautiful dress and veil, and before God, there was
13 a joyous occasion attended by Larry's mom and dad, who were very
14 supportive of the marriage, family Grandma Balk, Uncle Boni Kasperbauer,
15 Larry's dad's older brother, and Uncle Norb Prudence, his mom's brother-in-
16 law, and about fifty (50) of their friends, except for the ones who were serving
17 in the military, when the couple exchanged vows just after 9:00 a.m. on
18 November 22, 1958, at the Newman Center Catholic Chapel of St. Thomas
19 Aquinas Catholic Church, with Father David Voles officiating the ceremony;
20 and

21 **WHEREAS**, Larry affectionately remembers standing near the altar
22 when he first caught a glimpse of his wife-to-be, Carmen, escorted down the

1 aisle by the husband of her dear friend, Toots Baudler, and once she took his
2 hand, they exchanged vows, and today, continue living happily ever after;
3 and

4 **WHEREAS**, Lawrence “Larry” F. Kasperbauer, Ph. D., married Carmen
5 Artero on November 22, 1958, and they celebrate their Golden Anniversary in
6 2008; and

7 **WHEREAS**, in 1967, Dr. Larry Kasperbauer made a decision to relocate
8 the Kasperbauer family to Guam, his wife Carmen’s native land and have
9 been blessed with five (5) children: Kevin, Karen, Brian, Steven, and Teresa;
10 nineteen (19) grandchildren; and three (3) great-granddaughters and one (1)
11 great-grandson; and

12 **WHEREAS**, *Si Larry yan si Carmen Artero Kasperbauer* have continued
13 their active involvement in our island’s political and social sectors, rooted in
14 their family’s belief that Guam’s future rests on a foundation of responsibility,
15 character and family commitment; and

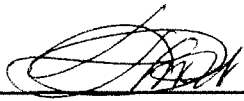
16 **WHEREAS**, in their personal and professional lives, *si Larry yan si*
17 *Carmen Artero Kasperbauer* have assiduously stressed integrity and respect for
18 others and have served as a source of inspiration to their colleagues, friends
19 and family, to whom they always encourage spiritual, personal, and
20 professional growth; now, therefore, be it

21 **RESOLVED**, that *I Mina’Bente Nuebi Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does
22 hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, extend a sincere *Biba Kasimento para*

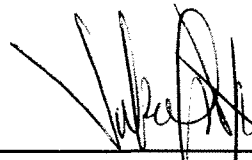
1 *si Larry yan si Carmen Artero Kasperbauer* as they celebrate their Fifth (50th)
2 Golden Wedding Anniversary on November 22, 2008, and does further extend
3 to them a heartfelt *Un Danglo Na Si Yu'os Ma'åse'* and appreciation for their
4 services and outstanding contributions for the betterment of our Island
5 Community; and, be it further

6 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker certify, and the Secretary of the
7 Legislature attest to, the adoption hereof and that copies of the same be
8 thereafter transmitted *para si Lawrence yan si Carmen Artero Kasperbauer*; to
9 Kevin Kasperbauer; to Karen K. Perez; to Brian Kasperbauer; to Steven
10 Kasperbauer; and to Teresa K. Shibazaki; and to the Honorable Felix P.
11 Camacho, *I Maga'lahaen Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY I MINA'BENTE NUEBI NA
LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE 18TH DAY OF NONEMBER 2008.**



JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D.
Speaker



TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES
Senator and
Secretary of the Legislature