

***I MINA'BENTE NUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN***  
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**Relative to Honoring Ana Acfalle Gogue on the celebration of her One Hundred-one (101) Birthday.**

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

2 ***GUÅHAN*:**

3        **WHEREAS**, the limits and well being of our people are not in its land or  
4 its location, but in how those who live and work here live their lives; and

5        **WHEREAS**, *Tan* Ana Acfalle Gogue of *Malessso*, born to Victorina Acfalle  
6 and Antonio C. Acfalle, on April 20, 1906, celebrated her One Hundred-one  
7 (101) Birthday. At the age of twenty-five (25), *Tan* Ana married Jose E.

1 Champaco and together they have two (2) daughters, Beatrice and Dolores;  
2 and

3 **WHEREAS,** *Tan Ana* is a member of the Christian Mothers and  
4 continues to remain devoted to her Catholic faith. In her younger days, *Tan*  
5 *Ana* was a *Techa* (prayer leader). She has inspired many people in this role,  
6 and when called upon, was always happy to help; and

7 **WHEREAS,** on July 16, 1944, her husband Jose was one of thirty (30)  
8 men massacred by Japanese occupying forces during World War II. Eleven  
9 (11) years later, *Tan Ana* married Geronimo Gogue; and

10 **WHEREAS,** *Tan Ana* has instilled many family values into her children.  
11 Their greatest memory is of *Tan Ana* always having food on the table. She  
12 would cook the tastiest dishes from her harvests of the sea and land. She  
13 would constantly make her way into the jungle in the back of her home and  
14 come out with a sack of goodies, including taro, tapioca, yams and even  
15 *tangantangan* for firewood. *Tan Ana* often gathered her grandchildren to go  
16 clamming to make her famous *kadon ta'pon* (clam soup). She is also known for  
17 making *titiyas fa'dang* (torillas made from the Federico Palm nut); and

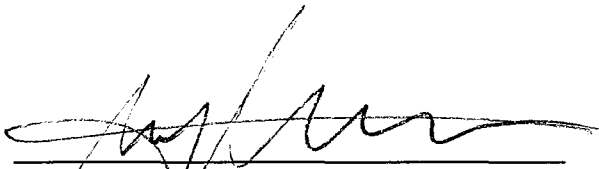
18 **WHEREAS,** in 1992, *Tan Ana* won the first place prize for the longest  
19 *dågu* (yam) measuring six feet in length at the Senior Citizen's fair in *Malesso*.  
20 During that same year, following Typhoon Omar, *Tan Ana* suffered a stroke.  
21 Her family suspects that the stress caused by damage to her home of thirty-six  
22 (36) years from the typhoon triggered the stroke. However, through prayers  
23 and luck, *Tan Ana's* house was rebuilt and she was nursed back to health the  
24 following year; and


1           **WHEREAS**, *Tan Ana* has appeared in several publications on *Chamorro*  
2 culture. She is sometimes found in *Chamorro* books teaching the younger  
3 generations about *Chamorro* dishes like *konsetba* (candied papaya), *buñelos dâgu*  
4 (yam donuts), sweet bread rolls, and *apigigi* (young coconut meat, fresh  
5 coconut milk, and tapioca wrapped and cooked in a banana leaf). Her  
6 unselfishness in teaching the younger children has not gone unnoticed in the  
7 community; now, therefore, be it

8           **RESOLVED**, that *I Mina'Bente Nuebi Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does  
9 hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, expresses its best wishes to *Tan Ana*  
10 *Acfalle Gogue* on the celebration of her One Hundred-one (101) Birthday by  
11 saying "*Age is the top of the mountain; Nearer the sky so blue; A long hard climb; A*  
12 *bit of fatigue; But oh . . . what a wonderful view!*"; and be it further

13           **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker certify, and the Secretary of the  
14 Legislature attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be  
15 thereafter transmitted to *Tan Ana Acfalle Gogue*; to the Director, Department  
16 of Public Health and Social Services; to the Honorable Madeleine Z. Bordallo,  
17 Member of Congress to the United States House of Representatives; and to  
18 the Honorable Felix P. Camacho, *I Maga'lahaen Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY I MINA'BENTE NUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE 19<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF APRIL 2007.**

  
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**MARK FORBES**  
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Senator and  
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