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

Resolution No. 55 (LS)

As amended.

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Relative to congratulating Ms. Tanya Rita Sarmiento Muna on her appointment as the first female Deputy U.S. Marshal for Guam and the Commonwealth of the Northern Marianas.

- 1 BE IT RESOLVED BY I MINA BENTE NUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN
- 2 GUÅHAN:
- 3 WHEREAS, Ms. Tanya Rita Sarmiento Muna was born on September 5,
- 4 1977 to Mr. and Mrs. Edward and Rose Muna of Mangilao and is the fourth
- 5 child of five (5) children; and

- 1 WHEREAS, Ms. Muna attended P.C. Lujan Elementary School and
- 2 graduated from George Washington High School in 1995; and
- 3 **WHEREAS,** Ms. Muna graduated from the University of Guam earning
- 4 a Bachelor of Science degree in Criminal Science with a minor in Public
- 5 Administration, in 1999; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Ms. Muna began her employment as a Juvenile Mentor at
- 7 the Department of Youth Affairs, where she served children and At-Risk
- 8 Youth, juvenile offenders, and non-offenders in the Jumpstart and Aftercare
- 9 Programs; and
- 10 WHEREAS, from January 2000 to September 2001, Ms. Muna was
- 11 employed as a Port Police Officer I at the Jose D. Leon Guerrero Port
- 12 Authority of Guam, and was promoted to Port Police Officer II in February of
- 13 2001, after completion of the Basic Law Enforcement Academy at the Guam
- 14 Community College; and
- WHEREAS, during her tenure at the Jose D. Leon Guerrero Port
- 16 Authority of Guam, then-Governor Carl T.C. Gutierrez, after witnessing her
- 17 expertise, professionalism, and ambition in law enforcement, detailed Ms.
- 18 Muna to the "Taotaomona Task Force" of the U.S. Marshal's Service where she
- 19 helped organize a fugitive warrant sweep netting approximately thirty (30)
- 20 arrests in a three (3) day period; and
- 21 WHEREAS, in September 2001, Ms. Muna continued her stellar career
- 22 in law enforcement and was appointed as a Deputy Marshal I at the Superior
- 23 Court of Guam; and
- 24 WHEREAS, throughout her career with the Superior Court, Ms. Muna
- 25 attended numerous training programs, including, Firearms Qualification,

- 1 Family Violence Training, Search and Seizure Workshop, Special Weapons
- 2 and Tactics training, Monadnock Expandable Baton (MEB) Basic Course, and
- 3 (OCAT) Pepper Spray Basic Course; and
- 4 WHEREAS, while employed at the Superior Court, Ms. Muna also
- 5 completed SWAT training with the Guam Police Department and served part-
- 6 time in the Police Reserve; and
- WHEREAS, on November 13, 2003, Ms. Muna resigned her position
- 8 with the Superior Court and joined the U.S. Marshal's Service, entering the
- 9 U.S. Marshal's Academy; and
- 10 WHEREAS, while in the U.S. Marshal's Service, Ms. Muna was assigned
- 11 to the Hawaii District Office and completed special training as a Recruiting
- 12 Officer, Property Officer, Crisis Negotiator, and NCIC Instructor; and
- 13 WHEREAS, Ms. Muna also received a "Time-Off Award" for superior
- 14 physical fitness and a One Hundred-fifty Dollars (\$150.00) cash award for In-
- 15 District performance; and
- 16 WHEREAS, Ms. Muna served as the Deputy in Charge for the Ninth
- 17 Circuit Hearings in the District of Hawaii Protection Details; and
- 18 WHEREAS, Ms. Muna has participated in several important Fugitive
- 19 Apprehensions, including the U.S. Marshal's Top 15 Most Wanted Fugitives,
- 20 and extraditions from Belau and Tonga; and
- 21 WHEREAS, Ms. Muna was twice assigned as the advance Deputy for
- 22 the U.S. Supreme Court Justice, Anthony Kennedy; and
- 23 WHEREAS, after serving in the U.S. Marshal's Service in Hawaii for
- 24 over three (3) years, Ms. Muna was selected as Deputy U.S. Marshal for the

- 1 District of Guam and the Commonwealth of the Northern Marianas (CNMI)
- 2 in February, 2007; and
- 3 WHEREAS, Ms. Muna, throughout her short but admirable career in
- 4 law enforcement, has demonstrated a willingness to excel through hard work,
- 5 commitment, and dedication; and
- 6 **WHEREAS,** Ms. Muna, as a locally born *Chamorro*, has returned home to
- 7 serve her people, accepting responsibility as the District Recruiter, conducting
- 8 presentations on the U.S. Marshal's Service and her career in law enforcement;
- 9 now, therefore, be it
- 10 **RESOLVED**, that I Mina'Bente Nuebi Na Liheslaturan Guåhan does
- 11 hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, recognize, honor, and congratulate
- 12 Ms. Tanya Rita Sarmiento Muna for the many achievements in her law
- 13 enforcement career and on her selection as Deputy U.S. Marshal for the island
- 14 of Guam; and be it further
- 15 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker certify, and the Secretary of the
- 16 Legislature attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be
- 17 thereafter transmitted to Ms. Tanya Rita Sarmiento Muna; to Mr. and Mrs.
- 18 Edward and Rose Muna; to U.S. District Court Judge Frances Tydingco-
- 19 Gatewood; to Chief Deputy, U.S. Marshal Joaquin Salas; and to the Honorable
- 20 Felix P. Camacho, I Maga'lahen Guåhan.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY I MINA'BENTE NUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE 1ST DAY OF MAY 2007.

MARK FORBES

Speaker

RAY/TENORIO

Senator and

Secretary of the Legislature