

BI MINA'BENTE NUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
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Resolution No. 58 (LS)

As amended.

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Relative to congratulating the family of the late Mr. Alvaro Mabugnong Abaday on his induction into the Guam Educator's Hall of Fame, Phi Delta Kappa, Guam Chapter, 2007; and to recognizing his thirty four (34) years of contributions to the education of the youth of Guam and Belau.

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

3 **WHEREAS,** the late Mr. Alvaro Mabugnong Abaday was born during
4 the closing months of World War II in Cagayan de Oro, Mindanao,
5 Philippines on March 25, 1945; and

1 **WHEREAS**, the son of the village chief, Mr. Abaday, one of twelve (12)
2 children was raised on the family farm growing crops and raising livestock;
3 and

4 **WHEREAS**, after completing the sixth (6th) grade, Mr. Abaday took a
5 year off to work full-time on the family farm, but did not forget his aspiration
6 to continue his education; and

7 **WHEREAS**, Mr. Abaday attended Xavier University, Cagayan de Oro,
8 Philippines, where he graduated with a Bachelor's degree in 1969; and

9 **WHEREAS**, Mr. Abaday was asked by the Jesuits to become a teaching
10 missionary in Belau after he graduated, a mission he accepted without
11 reservation; and

12 **WHEREAS**, during the nine (9) years he lived in Belau, Mr. Abaday
13 taught at Mindszenty High School, often acted as the sacristan at the church,
14 became fluent in the Belauan language, and wrote and directed an award
15 winning play for his students, eventually becoming the principal of
16 Mindszenty High School in 1976; and

17 **WHEREAS**, in 1976, Mr. Abaday met his wife Roberta, a missionary
18 teacher from the United States, in Belau, and they married in 1977, beginning
19 thirty (30) years of living life to the fullest; and

20 **WHEREAS**, in 1978, Mr. Abaday left Belau to further his education,
21 earning a Master's in International Affairs from Ohio University, Athens,
22 Ohio in 1979 and a Master's in Political Science and a Certificate in Public
23 Administration from Ohio University in 1981; and

1 **WHEREAS**, in 1981, the Abadays moved to Guam and Mr. Abaday
2 began his teaching career on Guam at Father Duenas Memorial School; and

3 **WHEREAS**, in 1986, the Abadays left Guam briefly only to return in
4 1987 to work in the Guam Public School System; and

5 **WHEREAS**, Mr. Abaday was a teacher at Untalan Middle School from
6 1987 to 1988; he then taught at John F. Kennedy High School from 1988 to his
7 untimely passing in 2007; and

8 **WHEREAS**, Mr. Abaday's numerous accomplishments included
9 organizing the mock trial program for the Department of Education, co-
10 authoring of the social studies curriculum and performance standard for the
11 Department of Education, being named a Guam Teacher of the Year 2001
12 finalist, and more; and

13 **WHEREAS**, Mr. Abaday's numerous civic involvements included
14 serving on the Board of Directors for the Guam Humanities Council, IRA
15 membership and Read-A-Thon committees, the Governor's Commission on
16 Educational Excellence, and others; and

17 **WHEREAS**, Mr. Abaday's love of teaching and passion for Language
18 Arts and Social Studies left a deep impression on the thousands of students
19 who have studied in his classroom; and

20 **WHEREAS**, Mr. Abaday has been bestowed with the honor of being one
21 of Guam's premiere educators by the Guam Chapter of the Phi Delta Kappa
22 and is being inducted into the "Guam Educator's Hall of Fame"; now,
23 therefore, be it

24 **RESOLVED**, that *I Mina'Bente Nuebi Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does
25 hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, congratulate the family of the late


1 Mr. Alvaro Mabugnon Abaday on his induction into the Guam Educator's
2 Hall of Fame, Phi Delta Kappa, Guam Chapter, 2007; and recognize his thirty
3 four (34) years of contributions and dedication to the education of the youth of
4 Guam and Belau; and be it further

5 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker certify, and the Secretary of the
6 Legislature attest to, the adoption hereof and that copies of the same be
7 thereafter transmitted to Ms. Roberta Abaday; to Ms. Barbara Gillman,
8 President of the Guam Educator's Hall of Fame, Phi Delta Kappa, Guam
9 Chapter; and to the Honorable Felix P. Camacho, *I Maga'lahaen Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY I MINA'BENTE NUEBI NA
LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE 2nd DAY OF MAY 2007.**



MARK FORBES
Speaker



RAY TENORIO
Senator and
Secretary of the Legislature