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

Resolution No. 6 (LS) As amended.

Introduced by:

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Relative to recognizing the accomplishments and dedication of the late Honorable Rosa Aguigui Reyes, the first *Chamorro* woman to be elected to the First Guam Congress in 1946; and extending humble and sincere condolences to her family on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the People of Guam.

BE IT RESOLVED BY I MINA'BENTE ÑUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN
 GUÅHAN:

3 WHEREAS, the late Honorable Rosa Aguigui Reyes was born on 4 February 7, 1915 to Bienvenida Mata Tyquiengco and Ignacio Babauta 5 Aguigui (both deceased); and WHEREAS, Rosa Aguigui Reyes graduated from Agana High School
 before World War II; and

3 WHEREAS, Rosa Aguigui Reyes attended the College of Guam, and 4 was part of its first graduating class, obtaining her Associate's Degree in 5 Education; and

6 WHEREAS, Rosa Aguigui Reyes attended the University of Hawaii as a
7 grant recipient and received a distinguished award; and

8 WHEREAS, the University of Guam conferred upon her an Honorary 9 Doctorate of Humane Letters in recognition of her pioneering achievements 10 and accomplishments; and

WHEREAS, in 1946, Rosa Aguigui Reyes was the first *Chamorro* woman
to be elected to the First Guam Congress; and

WHEREAS, Rosa Aguigui Reyes was instrumental in assisting Laura
Thompson on the publication of her book on the anthropology of Guam's
history and culture, thus passing her knowledge and wisdom to the people of
Guam; and

WHEREAS, Rosa Aguigui Reyes was an educator for thirty-three (33)
years and a principal for eleven (11) years with the Guam Public School
System; and

WHEREAS, she positively influenced many of Guam's children so that,
in 1983, she became one of the earliest inductees to the Guam Educators' Hall
of Fame; and

WHEREAS, Rosa Aguigui Reyes was very active in the upkeep and
beautification of San Dimas Parish and participated in the preparation of the

village fiestas for visitors who came to celebrate the village Patron Saint's Day;
 and

WHEREAS, Rosa Aguigui Reyes considered all the people in her life as
family, those younger than her, she considered them her children, those of her
peers, her brothers and sisters, and she loved them all unconditionally; and

6 WHEREAS, Rosa Aguigui Reyes shared her knowledge and wisdom of 7 the *Chamorro* language, culture, and traditions with the people of Guam, but 8 more importantly, helped instill in them a deep sense of honor and respect for 9 one another; and

WHEREAS, Rosa Aguigui Reyes is survived by the love of her life, her
 spouse, Ignacio Mendiola Reyes, former Commissioner of *Malesso* and by
 many family members and friends; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that *I Mina'Bente Ñuebi Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby
 authorized to pay funeral expenses for the late Rosa Aguigui Reyes, *not* to
 exceed Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00); and be it further

16 **RESOLVED,** that *I Mina'Bente Ñuebi Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does 17 hereby, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the people of Guam, recognize 18 the outstanding contributions of the first *Chamorro* woman to be elected to the 19 First Guam Congress in 1946 and extends humble and sincere condolences to 20 the Reyes and Aguigui families; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Speaker certify, and the Secretary of the
Legislature attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be
thereafter transmitted to her husband, Ignacio Mendiola Reyes; to the Merizo
Mayor's Office; and to the Honorable Felix P. Camacho, *I Maga'lahen Guåhan*.

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DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY I MINA'BENTE \tilde{N} UEBI NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE 19th DAY OF FEBRUARY 2007.

RAYTENORIO MARK FORBES Speaker Senator and

Senator and Secretary of the Legislature