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Message of Condolences on the passing of Senator of Senator Vicente C. (ben) Pangelinan , former Speaker of the Guam Legislature. 32-14-1829

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**To: Honorable Judith T. Won Pat
Speaker, 32nd Guam Legislature**

From: Mark Forbes

Dear Judy,

I am truly saddened to receive news of the death of our former colleague and good friend, Ben Pangelinan. I will cherish the many times we had in fruitful debates. In the end we put our differences aside and acted with civility and respect for each other's views for the good of Guam and our people.

Ben earned the love and respect from Guam and her people. He exuded confidence through his own convictions showing strength in his core beliefs and principles. His kindness came through his humility and faith in God and the wit that affectionately shared with us comes from his wisdom he gained from his experiences in life. He leaves behind an island that is stronger and more united, a place that the whole world recognizes for our sense of pride and resiliency.

Now, in laying our friend and colleague to rest, we say thank you and bid him farewell. He always said that for Guam, the best was yet to come. We comfort ourselves in the knowledge that this is true for him, too. His work is done, and now a shining city awaits him.

On this very sad moment, on behalf of my wife Cena, my son Sean and myself, allow me to convey to the people of Guam, as well as the bereaved families, my deepest sympathy and profound condolences for such a huge loss in this most unfortunate passing of a true statesman and friend.

Sincerely,

MARK FORBES

Former Speaker, 28th and 29th

Former Senator, 23rd through 29th Guam Legislatures