

**I MINA'TRENTAI OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN
RESOLUTIONS**

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174-38 (COR)	Therese M. Terlaje	Relative to recognizing Anne Perez Hattori, Ph.D. for her outstanding contributions to scholarship, education, and the preservation to CHamoru history and culture; and to commend her for over twenty-six (26) years of public service to the people of Guam and the Government of Guam; and to congratulate her on her retirement.	5/4/26 1:27 p.m.	5/8/26 11:30 a.m.						

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2026 (SECOND) Regular Session

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Introduced by:

Therese M. Terlaje *TMT*

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1 **BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF *I***
2 ***MINA'TRENTAI OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN*:**

3 **WHEREAS,** Anne Perez Hattori, Ph.D., is a native of *Guahån* and a
4 distinguished scholar, educator, and historian whose work has significantly advanced
5 the study and understanding of Guam, Micronesia, *CHamoru* history and the broader
6 Pacific region; and

7 **WHEREAS,** she is the eldest of nine (9) children born to the late †Fermina Leon
8 Guerrero Perez and †Paul Mitsuo Hattori, and is married to Dr. Naushad Suleman,
9 Professor of Chemistry at the University of Guam, and together they continue to
10 contribute to the academic and intellectual life of Guam; and

11 **WHEREAS,** Dr. Hattori pursued her higher education at the University of
12 Hawai'i at Mānoa, earning a Bachelor of Business Administration in International
13 Business in 1987 before returning in 1993 to pursue graduate study in Pacific Islands

1 Studies, where she earned a Master of Arts in 1995 and a Doctor of Philosophy in
2 History in 1999; and

3 **WHEREAS**, upon completion of her doctoral studies, Dr. Hattori returned to
4 Guam in 1999 and joined the faculty of the University of Guam that same year, where
5 she has since dedicated more than twenty-six (26) years to teaching, research, and
6 service; and

7 **WHEREAS**, she served as a Professor of History, Micronesian Studies, and
8 *CHamoru* Studies programs in the College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences at the
9 University of Guam, where she has educated and mentored generations of students and
10 has served on numerous thesis and doctoral committees, advising scholars whose work
11 has contributed meaningfully to the body of knowledge on Guam, Micronesia, and the
12 Pacific; and

13 **WHEREAS**, Dr. Hattori is the author of the landmark scholarly book *Colonial*
14 *Dis-Ease: U.S. Naval Health Policies and the Chamorros of Guam, 1898-1941*,
15 published by the University of Hawai'i Press, a highly respected academic work that
16 examines the intersections of race, gender, class, and colonial public health policies in
17 Guam and remains one of the most influential studies on Guam's colonial history; and

18 **WHEREAS**, Dr. Hattori is widely renowned across the Pacific region for her
19 scholarly contributions not only to Guam and Micronesian studies, but also to the
20 broader field of Pacific history, and her significant regional and international
21 contributions include serving as a Co-Editor of *The Cambridge History of the Pacific*
22 *Ocean*, Editor of the *Journal of Pacific History*, and President of the Pacific History
23 Association; and

24 **WHEREAS**, in addition to her academic publications, Dr. Hattori has expanded
25 access to historical knowledge through her public scholarship with Guampedia, where
26 she has authored and co-authored numerous educational entries that preserve and share
27 the traditions, culture, and history of the *CHamoru* people; and

1 **WHEREAS**, her Guampedia works include entries such as: *Betel Nut: Cultural*
2 *and Social Aspects; Chenchule’: A System of Receiving; Folktale: Puntan and Fu’una:*
3 *Gods of Creation; Gender and Guam History Textbooks; Perspective: Women in Guam*
4 *History: A Critical Reflection; The 1918 Influenza Pandemic in Guam; and*
5 *Commemorating Our Past, Commandeering Our Future: Guam’s Rocky Road to Self-*
6 *Governance*, each contributing to a deeper understanding of *CHamoru* culture, identity,
7 and history; and

8 **WHEREAS**, through her teaching, mentorship, research, and leadership, Dr.
9 Hattori has demonstrated an unwavering commitment to preserving and elevating
10 *CHamoru* history and to advancing the understanding of Pacific Island peoples through
11 her scholarly approach that emphasizes "vernacular forms of history," recognizing that
12 history is preserved not only in written documents but also in legends, songs, stories,
13 and lived experiences of the people of the Pacific; and

14 **WHEREAS**, she is widely respected within the University of Guam and
15 throughout the region for her dedication to helping students and communities better
16 understand who we are as Pacific Island people and for her belief that history plays a
17 vital role in guiding future generations; now therefore, be it

18 **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina'trentai Ocho Na*
19 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the people
20 of Guam, recognize Anne Perez Hattori, Ph.D. for her outstanding contributions to
21 scholarship, education, and the preservation to *CHamoru* history and culture; and to
22 commend her for over twenty-six (26) years of public service to the people of Guam
23 and the Government of Guam; and to congratulate her on her retirement; and be it
24 further

25 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules
26 certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of

- 1 the same be thereafter transmitted to Dr. Anne Perez Hattori; and to the Honorable
- 2 Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero, *I Maga'hågan Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF
I MINA'TRENTAI OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE DAY OF
MONTH 2026.**

Frank F. Blas, Jr.
Speaker

V. Anthony Ada
Chairperson, Committee on Rules

Sabrina Salas Matanane
Legislative Secretary