
















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

Resolution No.	Sponsor	Title	Date Intro	Date of Presentation	Date Adopted	Date Referred	Referred to	PUBLIC HEARING DATE	DATE AUTHORS REPORT FILED	NOTES
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1 **BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF I**
2 ***MINA'TRENTAI OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN:***
3 **WHEREAS, Enrique “Rick” Ninete was born in March of 1943 to Joaquina**
4 **Latap Rosario and Ignacio Castro Ninete and was raised in the village of Sinajaña. He**
5 **is the father of Cecilia, Joaquina and Esther; and**

1 **WHEREAS**, in the early 1960s, Rick moved from Guam to California with very
2 little money and a desire to travel. After settling in Northern California, Rick began
3 working as a chef for the University of California, Berkeley; and

4 **WHEREAS**, Rick’s passion for tennis was born during a daytrip with his family
5 from Concord, California where a chance encounter with fellow Chamoru, George
6 Sablan, led to a close friendship between the two men where Rick learned the sport of
7 tennis and, after encouragement from George, Rick set out to become a certified tennis
8 instructor; and

9 **WHEREAS**, Rick enrolled in the Vic Braden Tennis Academy Tennis College,
10 trained by one of the country’s most respected tennis instructors in the nation; and

11 **WHEREAS**, as a certified tennis instructor teaching at the public courts of
12 Martinez, Rick developed a strong following of students whose skill levels ranged from
13 beginner to advanced; and

14 **WHEREAS**, by the late 1970s, Rick was the Tennis Director of the City of
15 Piedmont’s Recreation Department, creating programs and contributing significantly
16 the community that was growing around the sport of tennis; and

17 **WHEREAS**, in 1985, during Governor Ricardo J. Bordallo’s stateside trip to
18 recruit Chamoru people living abroad to return to Guam and support the community,
19 Rick was encouraged to move back home to lead the tennis program at the Department
20 of Recreation under Director John Palomo; and

21 **WHEREAS**, despite there being virtually no public tennis courts on Guam when
22 Rick left decades earlier, Rick discovered that the island had twenty-two (22) public
23 tennis courts by the time that he returned; and

24 **WHEREAS**, Rick visited all the schools on Guam at every grade level,
25 introducing tennis to the island’s youth, successfully running clinics that led to after-
26 school programs for the students; and

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2 **WHEREAS**, Rick worked tirelessly to rehabilitate the long-neglected Agana
3 Tennis Courts, originally built for the 1975 South Pacific Games, creating a space for
4 tennis players and enthusiasts to learn and share their love of the sport and, in 2004,
5 the Agana Tennis Courts were renamed as the Enrique Ninete Tennis Court under the
6 Felix P. Camacho administration; and

7 **WHEREAS**, among Rick’s accolades and recognition are the Governor’s
8 Council on Health Lifetime Achievement Award and his inclusion in “Who’s Who in
9 Tennis”, a global publication recognizing distinguished tennis professionals; and

10 **WHEREAS**, Rick’s diligent efforts to promote tennis have seen him introduce
11 the sport to students of all ages and his unwavering dedication to tennis for nearly four
12 decades has fostered generations of athletes, instilling in them the values of
13 perseverance, discipline, and love for the sport; now therefore, be it

14 **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina'trentai Ocho Na*
15 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the people
16 of Guam, recognize Enrique “Rick” Ninete on his retirement from the Department of
17 Parks and Recreation; for his dedication to the sport of tennis and commitment to
18 sharing his passion with the people of Guam; and commend him for his thirty-nine (39)
19 years of service to the people of Guam; and be it further

20 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules
21 certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of
22 the same be thereafter transmitted to Enrique Ninete; and to the Honorable Lourdes A.
Leon Guerrero, *I Maga'hågan Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF
I MINA'TRENTAI OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN ON THE DAY
OF MONTH 2025.**

FRANK F. BLAS, JR.
Speaker

V. ANTHONY ADA
Chairperson, Committee on Rules

SABRINA SALAS MATANANE
Legislative Secretary