

***I MINA'TRENTAI SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN***  
**RESOLUTIONS**

Resolution No.	Sponsor	Title	Date Intro	Date of Presentation	Date Adopted	Date Referred	Referred to	PUBLIC HEARING DATE	DATE AUTHORS REPORT FILED	NOTES
116-37 (LS)	Amanda L. Shelton	Relative to recognizing Coach Edwin K. W. Ching for dedicating Fifty-Two (52) years of his life to Guam's swimming athletes; and commending him for his contributions to the swimming and sports community.	5/5/23 2:54 p.m.	5/5/23 6:45 p.m.	5/5/23					

Resolution No. 116-37 (LS)

Introduced by:

Amanda L. Shelton	William A. Parkinson
Chris Barnett	Sabrina Flores Perez
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Yana Rose Nulia Barnes	



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BE IT RESOLVED BY I MINA TRENTAI SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN GUĀHAN:

WHEREAS, Coach Edwin received a Bachelor of Business Administration degree from the University of Hawaii in 1966 and a Doctor of Jurisprudence degree in 1969 from Drake University; and

WHEREAS, while attending the University of Hawaii, Coach Edwin trained as an athlete under Olympic swim Coach Soichi Sakamoto, an inductee into the International Swimming Hall of Fame and the Hawaii Swimming Hall of Fame, who pioneered innovative training methods that went on to become standard throughout the sport of swimming; and

WHEREAS, Coach Edwin came to Guam in 1971 as an attorney for Kaiser Hawaii Kai Development Inc.; and

WHEREAS, Coach Edwin later opened up a private law practice in Guam where he provided legal services to numerous private and governmental clients, including the Port Authority of Guam and the Guam Airport Authority; and

WHEREAS, in 1977 Coach Edwin began teaching swimming to Guam youths at the Hagåtña Pool which at the time had only been open for seven (7) years; and

WHEREAS, in 1978 Coach Edwin started coaching the *Manhoben* Swim Club and in 1986, he became the team's head coach, a position that he holds to this day; and

WHEREAS, in 1991, Coach Edwin was honored by the Guam Amateur Sports Federation for his unwavering support of Guam's swimming athletes and for his consistent advocacy and efforts to provide them with access to training facilities and with opportunities for competition both on and off-island; and

WHEREAS, for fifty-two (52) years, thousands of Guam athletes have been trained by Coach Edwin in the sport of swimming, water safety, and life skills; and

WHEREAS, under Coach Edwin's mentorship, Guam's swimming athletes have developed and evolved to elite levels that allow them to compete globally on the world stage; and

WHEREAS, Coach Edwin has led Guam's swimming athletes to numerous competitions in Hawaii and internationally including among others, the FINA World Swimming Championships, the FINA World Cup Series, the Pan Pacific Swimming Championships, the Micronesian Games, the South Pacific Games, the Hong Kong International Invitational, the Kamehameha Invitational, and the Keo Nakama Invitational; and

WHEREAS, Coach Edwin has led the Guam Olympic Swim Team to six (6) Summer Olympic Games: 1992 Barcelona; 1996 Atlanta; 2000 Sydney; 2004 Athens; 2008 Beijing; and 2012 London; and

WHEREAS, for the 2000 Summer Olympic Games in Sydney, Coach Edwin was chosen to be one of the one-hundred relay Torchbearers to carry the Olympic flame through the streets of Guam as it made its way to Australia; and

WHEREAS, Coach Edwin's passion for Guam's youth and the sport of swimming is well known throughout Guam, Micronesia, and the Oceania regions; and

WHEREAS, Coach Edwin has dedicated many years of his life to coaching many of the island's youth; now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that I *Mina Trentai Siette Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, recognize Coach Edwin K. W. Ching for dedicating Fifty-Two (52) years of his life to Guam's swimming athletes; and commend him for his contributions to the swimming and sports community; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Speaker certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Coach Edwin K. W. Ching; and to the Honorable Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero, *I Magsa'hdagan Guåhan*.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY I MINA TRENTAI SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN GUĀHAN ON THE 5<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF MAY 2023.

  
THERESE M. TERLAJE  
Speaker

  
AMANDA L. SHELTON  
Legislative Secretary



5/5/23

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**2023 (FIRST) Regular Session**

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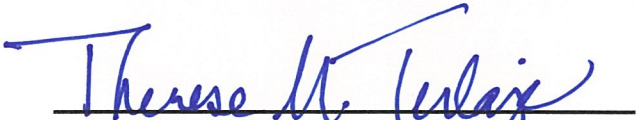
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Speaker

  
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**AMANDA L. SHELTON**  
Legislative Secretary



Office of Senator

**AMANDA L. SHELTON**

Legislative Secretary & Chairwoman

Committee on Maritime and Air Transportation, Parks, Tourism, Higher Education, and the Advancement of Women, Youth and Senior Citizens

*I Mina'trentai Siette Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* • 37th Guam Legislature

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May 5, 2023

MEMORANDUM

To: All Senators

37th Guam Legislature

From: Senator Amanda L. Shelton 

Re: **Presentation Notice for Resolution No. 116-37 (LS)**

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*Buenas yan Håfa Adai!*

**Resolution No. 116-37 (LS) – Amanda L. Shelton.** – Relative to recognizing Coach Edwin K. W. Ching for dedicating Fifty-Two (52) years of his life to Guam's swimming athletes; and commending him for his contributions to the swimming and sports community.

A request for the process of delay and expedite was approved by the Committee on Rules. The resolution will be hand-delivered on May 5, 2023, 6:45PM to the Dusit Thani Resort Main Ballroom.

We look forward to your attendance and participation.

