

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
209-37 (COR)	Roy A. B. Quinata	Relative to posthumously recognizing John F. Siguenza, "Johnny Cake" for his contributions and commitment to preserving, perpetuating, and promoting the <i>CHamoru</i> culture and traditions of our island community; and expressing sincere condolences to his family on his passing on behalf of the people of Guam.	9/26/23 1:01 p.m.	9/30/23 9:20 a.m.	9/27/23 3:05 p.m.					

Resolution No. 209-37 (COR)

Introduced by:

Roy A. B. Oumata

Chris Barnett	William A. Parkinson
Frank Blas, Jr.	Sabina Flores Perez
Jeanne Brown	Joe S. San Augustin
Christopher M. Dueñas	Dwayne T.D. San Nicolas
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Jesse A. Lujan	Telo T. Tattague
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BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF *I MINA'TRENTAI SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN*:

WHEREAS, John F. Siguenza, also known as “Johnny Cake,” was born on May 25, 1953, in Yigo; and he is the son of †Johnny and †Antonia Tudela Siguenza and is the third (3rd) child among twelve (12) siblings: Albert, †Paul, †Barbara, †Lola, Florence, Martha, Catherine, Julie, Norma, Helen, Donna, and reared brother Francis Blas; and

WHEREAS, Johnny is the father of Johnnye Antonia Siguenza; the grandfather of Nathan Bryant, Imani Bryant, and Aaron Lewis; a great grandfather of †Ramon Bryant, Aamir Bryant, and Moana Bryant; and a partner to Kawing S. Lawson for nineteen (19) years; and

WHEREAS, after being away from Guam for twenty (20) years, Johnny Cake returned home and was shocked by the changes that had taken place on the island; and it was his experience in *Matá' pang* that led to one of his first discoveries of ancient items and his commitment to showcase and teach the *CHamoru* culture and traditions; and

WHEREAS, Johnny Cake has been a devoted member of *I Nasion CHamoru* since its inception, always advocating for the cause of indigenous rights, decolonization, and fostering unity within the *CHamoru* community; and

WHEREAS, Johnny Cake has selflessly dedicated numerous hours over the years to volunteer and make significant contributions to *I Sagan Kotturan CHamoru*. Additionally, he serves as a curator for the *Kosas Antigu* Museum, exhibiting his personal collection of ancient archaeological artifacts, including the sacred item gifted to him by *Tāotaomo'na*, which he proudly wears around his neck; and

WHEREAS, Johnny Cake was a whole-hearted participant in the community, and he would make presentations to schools during “*CHamoru* Month” to present *CHamoru* objects and talk about the *CHamoru* language and culture; and

WHEREAS, as Johnny Cake was known for sharing traditional practices to help people better understand and cultivate their customs, beliefs, and respect for the *Tāotaomo'na* (spirits of ancestors); and he was featured in KUAM's *Tāotaomo'na* Tales, in which he recounts his experiences with the *Tāotaomo'na* and how they've played a major role in his life and have led him to uncover artifacts belonging to the ancient *CHamoru*; and he had lived a spiritual lifestyle to better connect with the *Tāotaomo'na* and honor their presence; and

WHEREAS, Johnny “Cake” Siguenza would inherit the culture of our ancestors through the guidance of the *Tāotaomo'na*, and seek to share them with the future generations of our island to preserve the history of those who lived here before us; now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina'trentai Siette Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the people of Guam, posthumously recognize John F. Siguenza, “Johnny Cake” for his contributions and commitment to preserving, perpetuating, and promoting the *CHamoru* culture and traditions of our island community; and express sincere condolences to his family on his passing on behalf of the people of Guam; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to the family of the late John F. Siguenza, “Johnny Cake”; and the Honorable Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero, *I Maga'hågan Guåhan*.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF *I MINA'TRENTAI SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* ON THE 27TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2023.

Therese M. Terlaji
THERESE M. TERLAJI
Speaker

Chris Barnett
CHRIS BARNETT
Chairperson, Committee on Rules

Amanda L. Shelton
AMANDA L. SHELTON
Legislative Secretary



Kristen Garmoo
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9/29/23
9:29 AM

I MINA'TRENTAI SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
2023 (FIRST) Regular Session

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12 and fostering unity within the *CHamoru* community; and

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16 personal collection of ancient archaeological artifacts, including the sacred item gifted
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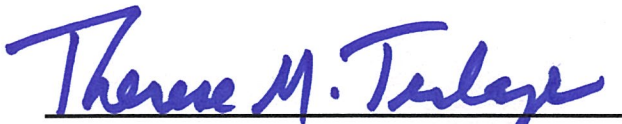
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7 **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina'trentai Siette Na*
8 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the people
9 of Guam, posthumously recognize John F. Siguenza, “Johnny Cake” for his
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Speaker



CHRIS BARNETT
Chairperson, Committee on Rules



AMANDA L. SHELTON
Legislative Secretary



COMMITTEE ON RULES

Chris Barnett, Chairperson, Committee on Rules

I Mina'trentai Siette Na Liheslaturan Guåhan

37th Guam Legislature

COMMITTEE VOTE SHEET

Resolution No. 209-37 (COR) – Roy A. B. Quinata. – “Relative to posthumously recognizing Johnny Franklin Siguenza, “Johnny Cake” for his contributions and commitment to preserving, perpetuating, and promoting the *CHamoru* culture and traditions of our island community; and expressing sincere condolences to his family on his passing on behalf of the people of Guam.”

	INITIAL	DATE	TO ADOPT	TO NOT ADOPT	TO ABSTAIN
Senator Chris Barnett Chairperson	EVOTE	9/27/23	✓		
Senator Sabina Flores Perez Vice Chairperson	EVOTE	9/27/23	✓		
Speaker Therese M. Terlaje Member	EVOTE	9/27/23	✓		
Vice Speaker Tina Rose Muña Barnes Member	EVOTE	9/27/23	✓		
Legislative Secretary Amanda L. Shelton Member	EVOTE	9/27/23	✓		
Senator William A. Parkinson Member	EVOTE	9/27/23	✓		
Senator Roy A. B. Quinata Member	<i>RQ</i>	9/26/23	✓		
Senator Joe S. San Agustin Member	EVOTE	9/26/23	✓		
Senator Dwayne T. D. San Nicolas Member	EVOTE	9/26/23	✓		
Senator Joanne Brown Minority Member	EVOTE	9/27/23	✓		
Senator Christopher M. Dueñas Minority Member	EVOTE	9/26/23	✓		
Senator Thomas J. Fisher Minority Member	EVOTE	9/27/23	✓		
Senator Telo T. Taitague Minority Member	EVOTE	9/26/23	✓		
For Sponsor's Office Use Only					
Sponsor Signature: <i>Roy A. B. Quinata</i>					
Staff Contact Person: RennaeV C. Meno					
For COR/Clerk's Office Use Only					
<u>13</u> Certified _____ Returned					
Name: Joaquin 'Quin' P. Taitague					
Date: September 27, 2023 at 3:05 p.m.					
Notes:					



OFFICE OF SENATOR

ROY A. B. QUINATA

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Committee on Infrastructure, Economic Development, Simon Sanchez High School, Disabilities Services, Self-Determination and Historic Preservation, Housing, Public Accountability, and the Guam Buildup

September 27, 2023

MEMORANDUM

To: All Members of *I Mina'trentai Siette Na Liheslaturan Guåhan*

From: Senator Roy A. B. Quinata 

Subject: Notice of Presentation - Resolution No. 209-37 (COR)

Buenas yan Håfa Adai!

Please join me on **Saturday, September 30, 2023**, at **9:20 a.m.**, Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church, *Yigo*, in presenting **Resolution No. 209-37 (COR)** - "Relative to posthumously recognizing Johnny Franklin Siguenza, "Johnny Cake" for his contributions and commitment to preserving, perpetuating, and promoting the CHamoru culture and traditions of our island community; and expressing sincere condolences to his family on his passing on behalf of the people of Guam."

I look forward to your attendance and participation.

Si Yu'os Ma'åse'