

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
459-37 (LS)	Therese M. Terlaje	Relative to recognizing Bishop Ryan P. Jimenez on his appointment by Pope Francis to serve as the Archbishop of the Archdiocese of <i>Agaña</i> , Guam; and commending him for his service and dedication to the Catholic Church and the people of the Pacific region.	8/15/24 12:59 p.m.	8/15/24 5:00 p.m.	8/15/24					

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Introduced by:

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Relative to recognizing Bishop Ryan P. Jimenez on his appointment by Pope Francis to serve as the Archbishop of the Archdiocese of *Agaña*, Guam; and commending him for his service and dedication to the Catholic Church and the people of the Pacific region.

BE IT RESOLVED BY I MINA'TRENTAI SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN:

WHEREAS, the Holy Father, Pope Francis, has appointed Bishop Ryan P. Jimenez, currently the head of the Diocese of *Chalan Kanoa* on Saipan, to serve as the new Archbishop of the Archdiocese of *Agaña*, Guam, marking a significant and hopeful transition for the Catholic community of Guam; and

WHEREAS, this appointment comes after a period of significant challenges for the Archdiocese of *Agaña*, which has undergone two (2) leadership changes since 2016; and

WHEREAS, Archbishop-elect Jimenez's appointment was officially announced in Rome on July 6, 2024, and his installation will take place on the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary at the *Dulce Nombre de Maria* Cathedral-Basilica in *Hagåtña*, Guam, as per the Episcopal Conference of the Pacific (CEPAC); and

WHEREAS, Archbishop-elect Jimenez has a distinguished record of service within the Catholic Church, currently serving as the President of CEPAC, the Vice-President of the Federation of Catholic Bishops Conferences of Oceania (FCBCO), and as a consultant to the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops' Subcommittee on Asian and Pacific Islander Affairs; and

WHEREAS, born and raised in the Philippines, Archbishop-elect Jimenez migrated to the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands in 1995, where he began his religious vocation teaching at *Eskuelan San Francisco de Borja*, a Catholic school on the island of Rota, before being accepted into the seminary program of the Diocese of *Chalan Kanoa*, Saipan in 1999; and

WHEREAS, Archbishop-elect Jimenez was ordained to the priesthood on June 8, 2003, and has since dedicated his life to the service of the Catholic Church, being appointed as Apostolic Administrator of *Chalan Kanoa* in Saipan in 2010 and later as its second (2nd) Bishop in 2016; and

WHEREAS, the appointment of Archbishop-elect Jimenez is a moment of renewal and hope for the Catholic Church in Guam, bringing with it the promise of continued spiritual leadership, healing, and growth for the faithful; now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that *I Mina'trentai Siette Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, recognize Bishop Ryan P. Jimenez on his appointment by Pope Francis to serve as the Archbishop of the Archdiocese of *Agaña*, Guam; and commend him for his service and dedication to the Catholic Church and the people of the Pacific region; 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 Archbishop Ryan P. Jimenez, Archdiocese of *Agaña*; and to the Honorable Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero, *I Maga'hågan Guåhan*.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY I MINA'TRENTAI SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE 15TH DAY OF AUGUST 2024.

Therese M. Terlaje
THERESE M. TERLAJE
Speaker

Chris Barnett
CHRIS BARNETT
Acting Legislative Secretary



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MARIE CRUZ
8/15/24, 2:55 PM

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THERESE M. TERLAJE
Speaker



CHRIS BARNETT
Acting Legislative Secretary



Office of the Speaker
THERESE M. TERLAJE

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Committee on Health, Land, Justice, and Culture

August 15, 2024

MEMORANDUM

To: All Senators, Stakeholders

From: Speaker Therese M. Terlaje *TMT*

Subject: **Notice of Presentation - Resolution No. 459-37 (LS)**

Buenas yan Håfa Adai!

Please join us for the presentations of **Resolution No. 459-37 (LS)** - “Relative to recognizing Bishop Ryan P. Jimenez on his appointment by Pope Francis to serve as the Archbishop of the Archdiocese of *Agaña*, Guam; and commending him for his service and dedication to the Catholic Church and the people of the Pacific region.”

Resolution No. 459-37 (LS) will be presented on **Thursday, August 15, 2024, at 5:00 p.m., at the *Dulce Nombre de Maria Cathedral-Basilica in Hagåtña.***

We look forward to your participation.

Please Note that the Committee on Rules has waived the 24-Hour Notice of Presentation.

Si Yu'os Ma'åse'!

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