



**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**  
**SIXTEENTH NORTHERN MARIANAS COMMONWEALTH LEGISLATURE**  
**THIRD REGULAR SESSION, 2009**

**House Resolution No. 16-72**

**Introduced by Representatives:** Edwin P. Aldan, David M. Apatang, Oscar M. Babauta, Diego T. Benavente, Joseph N. Camacho, Francisco S. Dela Cruz, Joseph P. Deleon Guerrero, Victor B. Hocog, Heinz S. Hofschneider, Raymond D. Palacios, Arnold I. Palacios, Justo S. Quitugua, Joseph C. Reyes, Rosemond B. Santos, Ramon A. Tebuteb, Ralph DLG. Torres, Stanley T. Torres, and Ray N. Yumul

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**A HOUSE RESOLUTION**

Conveying the sincere condolences and sympathy of the House of Representatives of the Sixteenth Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature to the bereaved family of the late Honorable Joaquin G. Adriano, on the occasion of his untimely passing and paying tribute to his services to the people of the Commonwealth and fond memory.

1           **WHEREAS**, the Late Honorable Joaquin G. Adriano was born on January 29, 1959  
2 to proud parents Jose Gusman Adriano and Magarita Gillimon Adriano and was called to his  
3 eternal rest on January 22, 2009 at the age of 49; and

4           **WHEREAS**, the Late Honorable Joaquin G. Adriano, a loving husband, proud  
5 grandfather, and devoted father to four beautiful children, namely Joaquin, Jr., Carlene,  
6 Yvonne, and Shane; and

7           **WHEREAS**, the Late Honorable Joaquin G. Adriano graduated from Marianas High  
8 School in 1978; and

9           **WHEREAS**, the Late Honorable Joaquin G. Adriano studied Criminal Justice at  
10 Northern Marianas College in 1979; and

11           **WHEREAS**, the Late Honorable Joaquin G. Adriano has always sought to give to the  
12 community, starting with his services in 1978 as a Police Officer I; and

13           **WHEREAS**, in 1984, the Late Honorable Joaquin G. Adriano served as Police  
14 Sergeant Commander under the Division of Boating Safety of the Department of Public  
15 Safety; and

16           **WHEREAS**, the Late Honorable Joaquin G. Adriano as Police Captain was  
17 transferred to the Department of Public Safety in Tinian as Operational Commander in 1987;  
18 and

1           **WHEREAS**, the Late Honorable Joaquin G. Adriano, a man with great vision,  
2 continued his services to the public as a member of the 4<sup>th</sup> Tinian and Aguiguan Municipal  
3 Council in the capacity of Chairman, facilitating and bravely pioneering the Second  
4 Senatorial District into uncharted territory; and

5           **WHEREAS**, the Late Honorable Joaquin G. Adriano provided aid to the residents of  
6 the Commonwealth as the Precinct 5 Representative from 1994-1997, ensuring the growth of  
7 the Commonwealth for years to come; and

8           **WHEREAS**, the Late Honorable Joaquin G. Adriano, a man with great vision, was  
9 granted the vote of confidence by the residents of Tinian and Aguigan to represent them as  
10 Senator in the 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, and 14<sup>th</sup> Legislature in various capacities, creating constructive  
11 legislation and tirelessly working towards the betterment of the people; and

12           **WHEREAS**, the Late Honorable Joaquin G. Adriano served as the Legislative  
13 Secretary of the 12<sup>th</sup> Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature, Chairman of the  
14 Committee on Federal Relations and Independent Agencies, and Chairman of the Tinian and  
15 Aguiguan Legislative Delegation; and

16           **WHEREAS**, the Late Honorable Joaquin G. Adriano, a man with lasting enthusiasm,  
17 was voted Floor Leader of the Senate by his colleagues in the 13<sup>th</sup> Commonwealth  
18 Legislature, where he also served as the Chairman of Rules and Procedure, Chairman of  
19 Executive Appointments and Government Investigations, Chairman of Federal Relations and  
20 Independent Agencies, and Chairman of the Tinian and Aguiguan Legislative Delegation;  
21 and

22           **WHEREAS**, the Late Honorable Joaquin G. Adriano, a person with devotion, served  
23 the people of the Commonwealth as President of the Senate in the 14<sup>th</sup> Commonwealth  
24 Legislature and as Secretary of the Tinian and Aguiguan Legislative Delegation; and

25           **WHEREAS**, the Late Honorable Joaquin G. Adriano retired from the CNMI  
26 Government on January 10, 2006, but continued his pursuit of public service as he was  
27 appointed by the Honorable Jose P. San Nicolas, Mayor of Tinian in 2008 as the official  
28 representative to 702 negotiations (CIP Coordinator) under the covenant, until his untimely  
29 passing; and

30           **WHEREAS**, it would be extremely difficult to find a person with similar compassion  
31 and devotion to public service, like that of the Late Honorable Joaquin G. Adriano, a man

1 who has dedicated his life to family and to the Residents of this Great Commonwealth,  
2 contributing with all generosity and unselfish dedication of his precious time;

3 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the House of the Sixteenth  
4 Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature, expresses its sincere condolences to the  
5 bereaved family of the Late Honorable Joaquin G. Adriano and pays tribute to his fond  
6 memory and commends his numerous accomplishments to the people of the Commonwealth;  
7 and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that the Speaker of the House, of the Sixteenth Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature shall certify and the House Clerk shall attest to the adoption of this resolution and the House Clerk shall thereafter transmit certified copies to the bereaved family of the Late Honorable Joaquin G. Adriano, the Honorable Benigno R. Fitial, Governor of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands; the Honorable Pete P. Reyes, President of the Senate of the 16<sup>th</sup> Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature; the Honorable Jose P. San Nicolas, Mayor of Tinian; and to the Honorable Antonio H. Borja, Chairperson of the 12<sup>th</sup> Tinian and Aguiguan Municipal Council.

*Adopted by the House of Representatives on January 27, 2009*

**CERTIFIED BY:**

**ATTESTED TO BY:**

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**ARNOLD I. PALACIOS**  
SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE

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**EVELYN C. FLEMING**  
HOUSE CLERK