

Seventeenth Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SESSION, 2012

H. Res. 17-90

A HOUSE RESOLUTION

Honoring the 75th Birthday of Fraternal Twins, Josepha Borja-Ada and Carlos Borja.

1 **WHEREAS**, Josepha Borja-Ada and Carlos Borja were born on January
2 7, 1937 at the Garapan Japanese Hospital to proud parents †Ignacio Diaz Borja
3 and †Ana Cabrera Arriola-Borja; and

4 **WHEREAS**, Josepha Borja-Ada and Carlos Borja were the youngest in
5 the family of 10 siblings, namely †Francisco Borja, †Manuel Borja, †Vicente
6 Borja, †Magdalena Borja-Palacios, Concolacion Borja-Muna, †Auria Eugenio,
7 Rosa Camacho Borja, and Louise Borja-Quitugua; and

8 **WHEREAS**, at the tender age of 6, Josepha Borja-Ada and Carlos Borja
9 along with their entire family took refuge in the caves of As Teo during the onset
10 of World War II; and

11 **WHEREAS**, only 7 children survived the decimation and onslaught of
12 World War II; and

13 **WHEREAS**, the Borja Family struggled to return to a normal life after the
14 war devastated their village of As Teo; and

1 **WHEREAS**, Josepha Borja-Ada and Carlos Borja returned to farming the
2 earth they grew up on in the hopes of providing food for their family; and

3 **WHEREAS**, at the young age of 10, Josepha Borja-Ada and Carlos Borja
4 and their family moved from As Teo to Camp Susupe ; and

5 **WHEREAS**, Josepha Borja-Ada and Carlos Borja attended school from
6 1st to 9th grade and graduated from the 9th grade which is equivalent to today's
7 high school; and

8 **WHEREAS**, in 1956, Carlos Borja and Olympia Selepeo were joined
9 together in holy matrimony; and

10 **WHEREAS**, the Lord in His infinite wisdom blessed this union with 7
11 children and 27 grandchildren; and

12 **WHEREAS**, Carlos Borja is a faithful husband and a dedicated father to
13 his children and grandchildren; and

14 **WHEREAS**, Carlos Borja is fondly known by his family and friends as
15 Tan Caling; and

16 **WHEREAS**, in 1957, Josepha Borja and Calistro C. Ada were joined
17 together in holy matrimony; and

18 **WHEREAS**, the Lord in His infinite wisdom also blessed this union with
19 7 children and 27 grandchildren;

20 **WHEREAS**, Josepha Borja-Ada is a faithful wife and a dedicated mother
21 to her children and grandchildren; and

1 **WHEREAS**, Josepha Borja-Ada is fondly known by her family and
2 friends as Nan Epa; and

3 **WHEREAS**, in spite of their violent and deprived start in life, Josepha
4 Borja-Ada and Carlos Borja persevered, grew up and went on to build meaningful
5 lives, somehow made stronger for their hardships and experience; and

6 **WHEREAS**, Josepha Borja-Ada and Carlos Borja are also known for
7 their qualities of humility, selflessness, generosity, kindness and love and always
8 greets those around them with a warm smile, positive and kind words that has left
9 lasting impressions on many; and

10 **WHEREAS**, as a special tribute, the Members of the House of
11 Representatives of the Seventeenth Northern Marianas Commonwealth
12 Legislature are honored to congratulate and express best wishes to Josepha Borja-
13 Ada and Carlos Borja on the celebration of their 75th birthday and may they be
14 blessed with good health and many more birthdays to come;

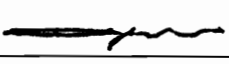
15 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the House of
16 Representatives of the Seventeenth Northern Marianas Commonwealth
17 Legislature that the House hereby honors the 75th Birthday of Fraternal Twins,
18 Josepha Borja-Ada and Carlos Borja; and

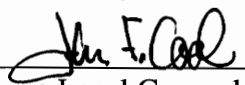
19 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Speaker of the House of
20 Representatives shall certify, and the House Clerk shall attest to the adoption of
21 this resolution and thereafter the House Clerk shall transmit a certified copy to
22 Josepha Borja-Ada; Carlos Borja; the Honorable Benigno R. Fitial, Governor of

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1 the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands; the Honorable Gregorio
2 Kili Camacho Sablan, CNMI Delegate to the United States Congress, 112th
3 United States Congress; Honorable Paul A. Manglona, Senate President,
4 Seventeenth Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature; and the Honorable
5 Donald G. Flores, Mayor of Saipan.

Prefiled 1/26/12

Date: 01/25/12 Introduced by: 
Rep. Joseph M. Palacios

Reviewed by:

House Legal Counsel