TWENTIETH COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS YOUTH CONGRESS

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A YOUTH CONGRESS RESOLUTION

To honor and recognize Mrs. Christine Torres Igisomar for her distinguished military service, exemplary leadership, and contributions to the Commonwealth and the United States; and to recognize her continued service as President of Mount Carmel School, her alma mater.

WHEREAS, Mrs. Christine Torres Igisomar is a proud daughter of the Northern Mariana Islands who graduated with honors from Mount Carmel School on Saipan in 2002, demonstrating early academic achievement and laying the foundation for a life of service; and

WHEREAS, following graduation, Mrs. Igisomar enlisted in the United States Coast Guard, completed Recruit Basic Training, and served aboard the USCGC Mellon before attending the Naval Academy Preparatory School and the United States Coast Guard Academy, where she earned a Bachelor of Science in Government and received her commission as an Ensign; and

WHEREAS, during her Coast Guard career, Mrs. Igisomar served aboard the USCGC Jarvis, participating in fisheries enforcement patrols in the Bering Sea and counter-narcotics operations off Central America, and held preparedness and

emergency-response assignments at Sector Corpus Christi, where she coordinated major exercises involving more than 400 responders; she also earned a Master of Public Administration in Government and Policy from Grand Canyon University in January 2013; and

WHEREAS, from 2013 to 2015, Mrs. Igisomar served as a Liaison Officer with the Coast Guard International Port Security Program, participating in 24 overseas engagements and working with Caribbean partner nations to strengthen port security and maritime security training, including efforts in Guyana associated with a reported 32-percent improvement in port security performance; and

WHEREAS, beginning in 2015, Mrs. Igisomar served as a Command Duty Officer at Coast Guard Sector Los Angeles/Long Beach, overseeing operations across a 350-mile coastline and more than 200 miles offshore, including search and rescue, law enforcement, port security, environmental protection, and marine safety; and

WHEREAS, as documented in House Joint Resolution No. 20-9, her operational service included more than 80 search and rescue cases and 107 marine safety and pollution response cases, resulting in 136 lives saved or assisted and approximately $2.1 million in property saved or assisted; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Igisomar spearheaded the Coast Guard Women's Mentoring and Leadership Group and led Coast Guard recruitment outreach in the Northern Mariana Islands in 2017 and 2018, reaching more than 750 students and

young adults and helping more than 20 applicants complete basic training or enter the process of joining the service; and

WHEREAS, her military and civilian honors include the Alexander Hamilton Preparedness Award, Rear Admiral Joseph M. Vojvodich Mentoring Award, Federal Asian Pacific American Council Military Meritorious Service Award, Coast Guard Commendation Medal, Coast Guard Achievement Medal, two Letters of Commendation, Military Outstanding Volunteer Service Medal, and Global War on Terrorism Service Medal; her service was also recognized by the Twentieth Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature through House Joint Resolution No. 20-9 in 2018; and

WHEREAS, following her distinguished career, Mrs. Igisomar retired from the United States Coast Guard, concluding a significant chapter of military service marked by leadership, professionalism, and dedication to the safety and security of the Nation; and

WHEREAS, following her retirement, Mrs. Igisomar returned to her alma mater, Mount Carmel School on Saipan, and assumed the position of President, continuing her commitment to leadership, education, mentorship, and the development of young people; and

WHEREAS, her transition from military service to educational leadership demonstrates that a life of service continues through new opportunities to guide, educate, and empower future generations of the Commonwealth.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Twentieth Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands Youth Congress, that the Youth Congress hereby honors and recognizes Mrs. Christine Torres Igisomar for her distinguished service in the United States Coast Guard, her professional accomplishments, and her lasting contributions to the Commonwealth and the United States of America; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Youth Congress recognizes Mrs. Igisomar's retirement from the United States Coast Guard and commends her subsequent assumption of the presidency of Mount Carmel School on Saipan, her alma mater, as a continuation of her commitment to leadership, education, and service; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Youth Congress acknowledges Mrs. Igisomar as an example to the youth of the Commonwealth of the opportunities made possible through education, perseverance, discipline, and dedication, and encourages future generations to pursue their aspirations and serve their communities; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Sponsor of this Resolution or the Speaker's designee shall present a certified original copy to Mrs. Christine Torres Igisomar; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Speaker shall certify, and the Legislative Secretary shall attest to the adoption of this resolution and transmit a certified copy to the Honorable Edmund S. Villagomez, Speaker of the House of

Representatives (24th Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature); the Honorable Karl R. King-Nabors, President of the Senate (24th Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature); the Honorable David M. Apatang, Governor of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands; and the Honorable Kimberlyn King-Hinds, CNMI Delegate to the House of Representatives (119th United States Congress)

Date: 11/14/2026 Introduced by: 

Senator Christopher JN. Dela Cruz