



BEFORE THE 2022 JUDICIAL COUNCIL OF GUAM
RESOLUTION NO. JC22-017

RELATIVE TO MEMORIALIZING THE PASSING OF FORMER SENATOR PILAR C. LUJAN

- WHEREAS,** the Judicial Council recognizes with great sadness the passing of former Senator Pilar C. Lujan; and
- WHEREAS,** Pilar Cruz Lujan graduated from George Washington High School in 1951, and obtained a bachelor's degree in secondary education from Siena Heights College in 1955, a Master of Science in Elementary School Administration from Indiana University in 1966 and an Education Specialist Degree from the University of New Mexico in 1970; and
- WHEREAS,** Pilar C. Lujan, a staunch advocate for the education of the children of Guam, served as a schoolteacher, principal, the Assistant and Associate Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction, the Acting Director and Chairwoman of the Department of Education; and
- WHEREAS,** Pilar C. Lujan, a staunch advocate for the preservation of the CHamoru language, served as a consultant in bilingual education and was responsible for the incorporation of CHamoru language and culture curricula in all Guam elementary schools, and was a CHamoru language instructor at the University of Guam; and
- WHEREAS,** Pilar C. Lujan also tirelessly served the people of Guam as a Senator in the 17th, 18th, 19th, 20th, 21st and 22nd Guam Legislatures, and while a Senator, served as the Chair of the Committee on Judiciary and Criminal Justice, Committee on Corrections, Committee on Economic Development, Housing and Community Development, Federal & Foreign Affairs, Committee and the Committee on Health, Welfare and Ecology; and
- WHEREAS,** Pilar C. Lujan also served as a member of the Commission on Self Determination, State Federal Assembly of Law & Justice, Assembly the Legislatures, Economic Development and International Trade Committee, Western Legislative Conference, Executive Committee on Land and Energy and the Western Legislative Conference; and
- WHEREAS,** in her capacity as a representative of the people, Pilar C. Lujan was instrumental in the passage of major milestone legislation and public policies related to the establishment of the Supreme Court of Guam, the advancement of the Judiciary as a separate and equal branch of government and improving the administration of justice through: Public Law 19-06 (establishing the Judicial Building Fund to construct the Guam Judicial Center), Public Law 19-28 (creating the jury and appointed counsel trust funds); Public Law 20-155 (reactivating the Criminal Injuries Compensation Commission); Public Law 20-170 (creating the expedited judicial process for child support); Public Law 20-209 (establishing the Child Protective Act and the Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting Act); Public Law 21-96 (establishing the Crime Victims Bill of Rights); and Public Law 21-147 (establishing the Frank G. Lujan Memorial Court Reorganization Act of 1992); and
- WHEREAS,** upon retirement from the government of Guam, Pilar C. Lujan served as the Chairman of the Board of Directors of the A.B. Won Pat International Airport Authority, overseeing the GIAA expansion, the largest capital improvement project ever done on Guam at the time; and
- WHEREAS,** throughout her career, Pilar C. Lujan was active in the community, volunteering with the Salvation Army, Soroptomist International of Guam, International Women's Club, Phi Delta Kappa Society, American Association of University Women, Guam Women's Issues Task Force, Catholic Daughters of America, and Chairwoman of *Servicio Para I Manamko*; and
- WHEREAS,** Pilar C. Lujan served the Judiciary and legal community of Guam, in and around 1987, as a member of the Judicial Council, a member of the Board of Law Examiners, and a member of the Board of the Public Defender Service Corporation; and
- WHEREAS,** **Pilar C. Lujan was awarded our highest honor, the Judiciary of Guam Hustisia Award in 2015 in recognition of her great contribution to the Judiciary, the rule of law and betterment of our island; and**
- WHEREAS,** Pilar C. Lujan's leadership, foresight, and vision helped to shape the pillars of our education, justice and political systems; and
- WHEREAS,** the Judiciary will forever be grateful for the landmark legislation authored by Pilar C. Lujan, which empowered and enabled the courts to develop and set a course for judicial excellence.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Judicial Council, on behalf of the entire Judiciary of Guam, expresses our sincere condolences and gratitude to the family of the late former Senator Pilar C. Lujan for her immeasurable service and contributions to the administration of justice in Guam.

DULY ADOPTED this 20th day of June 2022.

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