

UNIVERISTY OF GUAM UNIBETSEDÅT GUAHAN BOARD OF REGENTS

RESOLUTION NO. 12-23

RELATIVE TO EXPRESSING APPRECIATION TO P. SONNY ADA FOR HIS SERVICE AS A MEMBER, VICE CHAIRPERSON AND CHAIRPERSON OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS

WHEREAS, upon the completion by P. Sonny Ada of his term as a member of the Board of Regents, the University of Guam community wishes to express its sincere gratitude for his dedication and service; and

WHEREAS, P. Sonny Ada earned a bachelor's degree from University of St. Thomas (St. Paul, Minnesota) in 1983; and

WHEREAS, P. Sonny Ada is a successful businessman, having been employed as a Loan Officer at Bank of Guam (San Francisco) from 1983 to 1985, then with Ada's Trust and Investment, Inc., where he is President of Real Estate and Management from 1985 to present; and having served as a Board Director for Ada's Trust and Investment, Inc.; Nanbo Guam Ltd.; Nanbo-Tamagawa and Associations, Inc.; Marianas Finance; Pacifica Insurance (Saipan); and Ifit Corp.; and

WHEREAS, P. Sonny Ada is a public servant and is active in the community, having served on several Boards including the Guam Lytico & Bodig Board as fundraising Chairman; the Guam Visitors Bureau Board as a Director and Past Chairman; American Red Cross – Guam Chapter Board; COMNAVMAR Business Advisory Board; Guam Chamber of Commerce Board Director and Past Chairman; the Pacific Asia Travel Association as Member, Past Board Director and Past Chairman; the Pacific Islanders in Communication Board of Directors; Archdiocese Finance Council as President; and the University of Guam Board of Regents and UOG Endowment Foundation Board; and

WHEREAS, P. Sonny Ada was appointed on April 29, 2004 to serve the remainder of the unexpired term of former Regent Enrique Castro; he was reappointed and confirmed on May 30, 2006 to serve a full six-year term with the BOR, which ended on August 27, 2012; and

WHEREAS, P. Sonny Ada served as vice Chairperson of the BOR from December 22, 2006 until April 17, 2008 and served as Chairperson of the BOR from April 18, 2008 until April 26, 2012; and

WHEREAS, P. Sonny Ada represented the Board of Regents as a member of the UOG Endowment Foundation Board from April 2004 to June 2008 and as a member of the Regent Nominating Council from May 2008 to June 2008; and

WHEREAS, as a member of the Board of Regents, P. Sonny Ada served on the Budget, Finance, Investments and Audit Committee from April 2004 to May 2006 and from January 2007 to June 2007; on the Physical Facilities Committee as a member from April 2004 to December 2006, as Vice Chairperson from January 2007 to January 2008; and as Chairperson

from January 2008 to April 2008; on the Student Affairs, Scholarship, Alumni Relations and Honorary Degree Committee as Chairperson from May 2006 to December 2006; and

WHEREAS, P. Sonny Ada, through his excellent leadership and acumen, assisted the Board of Regents in its maturation to perform as it does today; and

WHEREAS, P. Sonny Ada, during his four year tenure as BOR Chairperson, has significantly contributed to the unity, collegiality and team spirit of the BOR and between the BOR and the University Community, and the development of relationships with the Business Community at-large; and

WHEREAS, P. Sonny Ada is highly regarded for his commitment and collegiality, having fostered an atmosphere of teamwork and collaboration at all levels of the University; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Regents of the University of Guam, the administration, faculty, staff and students, convey to P. Sonny Ada their sincerest gratitude for his dedication to the University and the people of Guam, for his service as a member, Vice Chairperson, and Chairperson of the Board of Regents, and for his devotion to the growth and prosperity of our island; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be sent to P. Sonny Ada and his family, to the Governor of Guam, and to the Speaker and members of the thirty-first (31st) Guam Legislature.

Adopted this 20th day of September, 2012.

W. Chris Perez, M.D., Chairperson

ATTESTED:

Robert A. Underwood, Ed.D., Executive Secretary