

Resolution No. 24-04

RELATIVE TO EXPRESSING APPRECIATION TO DR. LEE S. YUDIN FOR HIS DEDICATION AND EXEMPLARY SERVICE IN MULTIPLE KEY ROLES AND AS THE DEAN OF THE COLLEGEOF NATURAL AND APPLIED SCIENCES WITH THE UNIVERSITY OF GUAM FOR 35 YEARS

WHEREAS, upon the retirement of Dr. Lee S. Yudin on February 29, 2024, the University of Guam (UOG) community wishes to express its sincere gratitude for his dedication and service;

WHEREAS, Dr. Yudin received his Bachelor of Science in Tropical Agriculture degree from the University of Hawaii at Manoa in 1982, a Master of Science degree in Entomology from the University of Hawaii at Manoa in 1984, and a Ph.D. in Entomology from the University of Hawaii at Manoa in 1988;

WHEREAS, Dr. Yudin was hired to serve as an Assistant Professor at UOG College of Agriculture and Life Sciences (CALS) in 1989 promoted to Associate Professor at CALS in 1994, obtained the rank of Professor in 1999. As a professor, Lee S. Yudin was the Resident Instruction Coordinator for all undergraduate degree programs at CALS, and conducted research on subterranean termites on Guam, the Philippines, and Taiwan;

WHEREAS, Dr. Yudin was appointed to serve as the Interim Associate Director at CALS from January 2001 to May 2002; and his duties as Interim Associate Director included overseeing all Guam Cooperative Extension activities, including administrative responsibilities for both the College and the United States Department of Agriculture; he also served as a member of the Western Extension Directors Association:

WHEREAS, Dr. Yudin was appointed to serve as an Acting Dean/Director for CALS in 2002; he oversaw the Agriculture Experiments Station (AES), the Guam Cooperative Extension (GCE), and the Resident Instruction (RI) program that includes all administrative responsibilities for the College and related duties with USDA;

WHEREAS, Dr. Yudin was the co-leader of the first pilot program of UOG and the University of Hawaii's cancer research partnership planning grant. The program's aim was to increase the number of minority cancer research investigators, with a special emphasis on the development of Pacific Islander investigators from UOG;

WHEREAS, Dr. Yudin was a board member of administrative boards, such as the Agricultural Development in the American Pacific (ADAP), the Center of Tropical and Subtropical Aquaculture (CTSA), and the Asian Association of Agricultural Colleges and Universities (AAACU) where he also served as the past President;

WHEREAS, Dr. Yudin became Acting Dean of the College of Natural and Applied Sciences (CNAS), Director of the Western Pacific Tropical Research Center (WPTRC), and the Director of the Coo perative Extension Service (CES) in 2002, then Interim Dean/Director in 2003, and the official Dean/Director in 2004;

WHEREAS, Dr. Yudin served as the Interim Director for Guam Sea Grant Program, and he was a representative for the Insular Institutions in the Board Advocacy Committee and Farm Bill Committee in 2010; and in 2018, he served on the Policy Board of Directors for the Board on

Agriculture Assembly, which is a unit of the Association of the Public and Land-grant Universities (APLU) Commission on Food, Environment, and Renewable Resources.

WHEREAS, Dr. Yudin is project director of a 10 million dollar NextGen grant awarded to CNAS from USDA NIFA. The grant program will advance the agriculture and natural resources workforce in the Mariana and Micronesian islands and prepare students from the University of Guam, Northern Marianas College, and Guam Community College to be competitive for jobs in these fields;

WHEREAS, Dr. Yudin published multiple journals and extension publications from 1986 to 2002 on topics pertaining to agriculture and vegetation. He was also active in the local community by participating in and chairing organizations like the St. John's Episcopal Church's Educational Committee, Rotary Club of Guam; Entomological Society of America, Association for International Agricultural and Extension Education, American Association for Higher Education, Hawaii Entomological Society, Sigma Xi, and Gamma Sigma Delta;

WHEREAS, the Academic, Personnel, and Tenure Committee has reviewed this resolution and recommends approval of this resolution expressing appreciation to Dr. Yudin for his service with UOG for 35 years to the Board of Regents (BOR).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the administration, faculty, staff, and students, convey to Dr. Lee S. Yudin their sincerest gratitude for his dedication to UOG and the people of Guam, for his exemplar service as a valued member of the University community, and his devotion to the growth and prosperity of our island and region; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of his resolution will be sent to Dr. Lee S. Yudin, the Governor of Guam, and the Speaker and members of the Guam Legislature.

Adopted this 22nd day of February, 2024.

Sandra H. McKeever, Chairperson

ATTESTED:

Anita Borja Enriquez, D.B.A., Executive Secretary