

DELFINA MOJICA BASA
ADVOCATE FOR THE HANDICAPPED



Delfina Mojica Basa was born on December 20, 1932, in Cavite, the Philippines. Her early education was in the Philippines until 1954 when she graduated with a B. S. degree in physical education and a minor in health at the Philippines Women's University. In 1975, she pursued further education at the University of Guam, where she finished her Master's degree in school administration. Other institutions she attended were Ithaca College, New York; State University of Utah; and San Diego State University, California.

Mrs. Basa's outstanding contributions in the field of the humanities and service include initiating the First Guam Special Olympics. In the years 1977 through 1983, she won the following awards: 1977, Outstanding Woman of the Year Award for providing sports competition for the mentally disabled; 1976-80, awards for providing sports competition for the disabled islandwide, presented by Senator Edward Kennedy, President of the Joseph F. Kennedy, Jr., Foundation, Washington, D.C.; Bendix Corporation in Connecticut; Outstanding Filipino Overseas, and outstanding volunteer award by the Department of Human Services, Washington, D.C., for the following services: providing competition for Guam's disabled, chairperson for the Protection and Advocacy Office, and the first citizen advocate for the Marianas Association for Retarded Citizens.

Mrs. Basa also enjoys membership in other associations, such as: Board Member, Guma Mami and MARC; Filipino Community of Guam; American Red Cross; Western Pacific Association of the Disabled; and the Admiral Nimitz Golf Club. She is married to Tom Basa and resides in Dededo, Guam.