

I MINA'TRENTAI SAIS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No.	Sponsor	Title	Date Intro	Date of Presentation	Date Adopted	Date Referred	Referred to	PUBLIC HEARING DATE	DATE COMMITTEE REPORT FILED	NOTES
49-36 (L.S)	Therese M. Terlaje Telena Cruz Nelson Sabina Flores Perez	Relative to supporting and recognizing the Guam Coalition Against Sexual Assault & Family Violence and the numerous community advocates, organizations and government agencies in their efforts to raise public awareness during "Sexual Assault Awareness Month", "Child Abuse Prevention Month" and "National Crime Victims' Rights Week" throughout the month of April 2021.	3/26/21 1:00 p.m.	4/1/21 2:00 p.m.	3/26/21					

Resolution No. 49-36 (LS)

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Relative to recognizing the Guam Coalition Against Sexual Assault & Family Violence and the numerous community advocates, organizations and government agencies in their efforts to raise public awareness during "Sexual Assault Awareness Month," "Child Abuse Prevention Month," and "National Crime Victims' Rights Week" throughout the month of April 2021.

BE IT RESOLVED BY I MINA TRENTAI SAIS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN:

WHEREAS, Guam joins the nation in recognizing the observance of "Sexual Assault Awareness Month" during the month of April 2021, which is aimed at emphasizing the unfortunate reality of the alarming number of rape and sexual assault cases in our island community; and

WHEREAS, the Healing Hearts Crisis Center's 2020 statistics reveal that seventy-three (73) sexual assault cases were reported, with fifty (50) of those cases involving minors as victims; and

WHEREAS, the Guam Police Department's 2019 statistics show that two hundred thirty-nine (239) cases of sexual assault were reported - with one hundred twenty-three (123) rape cases, sixty-two (62) fondling cases, ninety-four (94) incest cases, and seven (7) statutory rape cases; and

WHEREAS, the month of April 2021 is a chance to highlight and reflect on the fact that survivors of sexual assault deserve to be treated with dignity, compassion, and respect as sexual assault impacts women, children, and men of all racial, cultural, and economic backgrounds; and it is a reminder that essential services and support programs which provide counseling, medical services, food, and transportation are needed to assist sexual assault survivors as they learn to cope with the consequences of traumatic experiences; and

WHEREAS, the Guam Coalition Against Sexual Assault, in collaboration with the Guam Behavioral Health and Wellness Center and the Healing Hearts Crisis Center, have forged partnerships with government agencies and private organizations to enhance the quality of care for survivors of sexual violence; and

WHEREAS, April 2021 is also "Child Abuse Prevention Month," which is aimed at bringing to light the abuse and neglect suffered by children, and the need to provide programs to prevent child abuse and to assist parents and families affected by child mistreatment; and

WHEREAS, in 2020, Guam's Child Protective Services (CPS) reported that there were two thousand ninety-one (2,091) cases of maltreatment, including physical abuse, sexual abuse, emotional abuse, and various forms of neglect; and made referrals involving teen pregnancy, and children who are at-risk due to drug use by caretakers, exposure to family violence, alcohol abuse, and teen suicide; and

WHEREAS, child abuse prevention programs succeed at the community level because of partnerships forged among families, social service agencies, schools, religious and civic organizations, and law enforcement agencies, which requires effective communication, continuing education, and outreach on the importance of the signs of sexual assault, reporting, and services needed to support survivors; and

WHEREAS, the month of April 2021 is also a time to observe "National Crime Victims' Rights Week" which celebrates the progress made by those before us as we look to a future of crime victim services that is even more inclusive, accessible, and trauma-informed; and

WHEREAS, the shared commitment of the following entities to continue to serve by providing critical services necessary to empower individuals and families affected by sexual assault, abuse and other crime related activities includes: the Guam Coalition Against Sexual Assault & Family Violence; Catholic Social Service; Alice Shelter; Victim Advocates Reaching Out (VARO); Erica's House; Guam Legal Services Corporation; *Guma Mami*, Inc.; Sanctuary, Inc.; Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD); Rainbows for All Children; *Unafa Maolok*; Oasis Empowerment Center; Guam Alternative Lifestyle Association (GALA); WestCare Pacific Islands; *Mañulu* (Big Brothers Big Sisters of Guam); Guam Behavioral Health and Wellness Center; Department of Public Health and Social Services, Child and Adult Protective Services Divisions; Office of the Public Guardian, Superior Court of Guam; Client Services and Family Counseling Division, Department of Youth Affairs; Guam Department of Education; University of Guam; Guam Community College; Public Defender Service Corporation; Victim Service Center, Office of Attorney General; Criminal Investigation Section and Domestic Assault Response Team, Guam Police Department; Department of Corrections Parolees Services; the Sexual Assault Victim Intervention Advocates; the Andersen Family Advocacy Program; and the Naval Family Advocacy Program; now therefore, be it

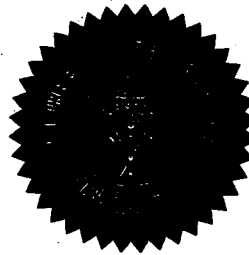
RESOLVED, that *I Mina Trentai Sais Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, recognize the Guam Coalition Against Sexual Assault & Family Violence and the numerous community advocates, organizations and government agencies in their efforts to raise public awareness during "Sexual Assault Awareness Month," "Child Abuse Prevention Month," and "National Crime Victims' Rights Week" throughout the month of April 2021; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Speaker certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to the Guam Coalition Against Sexual Assault & Family Violence; to the Guam Behavioral Health and Wellness Center; to the Healing Hearts Crisis Center; and to the Honorable Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero, *I Maga'hagan Guåhan*.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY I MINA TRENTAI SAIS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE 26TH DAY OF MARCH 2021.

Therese M. Terlaje
THERESE M. TERLAJE
Speaker

Amanda L. Shelton
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Legislative Secretary



4/1/21
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I MINA'TRENTAI SAIS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN
2021 (FIRST) Regular Session

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2 ***GUÁHAN***:
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2 cases in our island community; and

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4 seventy-three (73) sexual assault cases were reported, with fifty (50) of those cases
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8 twenty-three (123) rape cases, sixty-two (62) fondling cases, ninety-four (94) incest
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11 fact that survivors of sexual assault deserve to be treated with dignity, compassion, and
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13 economic backgrounds; and it is a reminder that essential services and support programs
14 which provide counseling, medical services, food, and transportation are needed to
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16 experiences; and

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18 the Guam Behavioral Health and Wellness Center and the Healing Hearts Crisis Center,
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21 **WHEREAS**, April 2021 is also “Child Abuse Prevention Month,” which is
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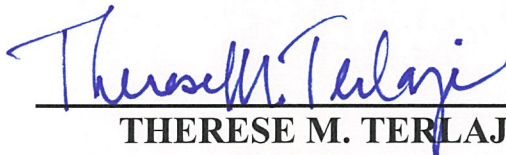
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17 Center; Guam Alternative Lifestyle Association (GALA); WestCare Pacific Islands;
18 *Mañelu* (Big Brothers Big Sisters of Guam); Guam Behavioral Health and Wellness
19 Center; Department of Public Health and Social Services, Child and Adult Protective
20 Services Divisions; Office of the Public Guardian, Superior Court of Guam; Client
21 Services and Family Counseling Division, Department of Youth Affairs; Guam
22 Department of Education; University of Guam; Guam Community College; Public
23 Defender Service Corporation; Victim Service Center, Office of Attorney General;
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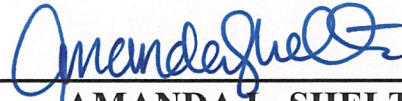
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DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY *I MINA'TRENTAI SAIS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* ON THE 26TH DAY OF MARCH 2021.



THERESE M. TERLAJE
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AMANDA L. SHELTON
Legislative Secretary



Office of the Speaker
THERESE M. TERLAJE

I Mina'trentai Sais na Liheslaturan Guåhan | 36th Guam Legislature
Committee on Health, Land, Justice and Culture

March 30, 2021

To: All Senators, Stakeholders
From: Speaker Therese M. Terlaje *TMT*
Subject: **Notice of Presentation—Resolution No. 49-36(LS)**

Buenas yan Håfa Adai!

Please join us in presenting **Resolution No. 49-36(LS)**—introduced by Speaker Therese M. Terlaje, Senator Telena C. Nelson and Senator Sabina F. Perez- “Relative to recognizing the Guam Coalition Against Sexual Assault & Family Violence and the numerous community advocates, organizations and government agencies in their efforts to raise public awareness during “Sexual Assault Awareness Month,” “Child Abuse Prevention Month,” and “National Crime Victims’ Rights Week” throughout the month of April 2021.”

The presentation will take place on **Thursday, April 1, 2021, 2:00 p.m.** after the Governor’s virtual proclamation signing for Sexual Assault Awareness Month, Child Abuse Prevention Month, Youth Month, and National Crime Victims’ Rights Week.

Please register in advance for this Zoom event:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZ0tdeuqzljH9eX8495m-RdP1MJfgBHWPPQ>

Please wear blue or teal for Child Abuse Prevention Month and Sexual Assault Awareness Month. We look forward to your attendance and participation. *Si Yu’os Ma’åse’!*

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From: Committee on Rules 36GL <cor@guamlegislature.org>
Sent: Friday, March 26, 2021 5:23 PM
To: Speaker Therese M. Terlaje
Cc: Rennae Meno; Clerks
Subject: Re: Request to expedite processing of Resolution No.

Håfa Adai,

COR **approves** your request to expedite processing of Resolution No. 49-36 (LS) during this time. Due to the resolution not meeting the guidelines and time frame of processing, COR is requesting that the sponsor's office assist the Clerk's office if need be for the processing/ routing of the Resolution.

Should you have any questions, please contact Mary Maravilla, COR Director at 472-2461.

Clerks, thank you for processing during this time.

Si Yu'os Ma'åse',



COMMITTEE ON RULES

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On Fri, Mar 26, 2021 at 3:40 PM Speaker Therese M. Terlaje <senatorterlajeguam@gmail.com> wrote:
Hafa Adai COR,

I am respectfully requesting to expedite the processing of Resolution No. 49-36(LS), "**Relative to supporting and recognizing the Guam Coalition Against Sexual Assault & Family Violence and the numerous community advocates, organizations and government agencies in their efforts to raise public awareness during "Sexual Assault Awareness Month", "Child Abuse Prevention Month" and "National Crime Victims' Rights Week" throughout the month of April 2021.**"

The resolution was introduced today. The presentation is scheduled for Thursday, April 1, 2021, at 2:00 p.m.

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully,

Natasha Charfauros
Policy Analyst