

**I MINA'TRENTAI SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN  
RESOLUTIONS**

Resolution No.	Sponsor	Title	Date Intro	Date of Presentation	Date Adopted	Date Referred	Referred to	PUBLIC HEARING DATE	DATE AUTHOR/ COMMITTEE REPORT FILED	NOTES
18-37 (COR)	Therese M. Terlaje Sabina Flores Perez William A. Parkinson Joe S. San Agustin Telo T. Taitague Frank Blas, Jr. Roy Anthony Benavente Quinata Amanda L. Shelton Jesse A. Lujan Joanne Brown Christopher M. Dueñas Dwayne T. D. San Nicolas Tina Rose Muña Barnes Chris Barnett	Relative to recognizing January 27, 2023, as National Downwinders Day of Remembrance, for all Americans who worked and lived downwind from nuclear testing sites and were adversely affected by radiation exposure and to commend the Pacific Association of Radiation Survivors for persevering in their support and advocacy for those afflicted with cancers on Guam and to include the people of Guam for RECA compensation.	1/26/23 2:49 p.m.	1/27/23 4:00 p.m.	1/27/23 11:00 a.m.					

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Introduced by:

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BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF I MINA TRENTAI SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN:

WHEREAS, in the early 1940's the United States Government authorized "The Manhattan Project" a top-secret testing and development program; and

WHEREAS, in July 1945, the first atomic bomb successfully exploded at the "Trinity Testing Site" by the United States Government, instituting the beginning of the nuclear era; and

WHEREAS, after embarking into World War II, the United States Government commissioned the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to build considerable quantities of plants, laboratories, and testing sites; and

WHEREAS, the United States Government expanded testing in the South Pacific and failed to warn of the dangers of exposure to radiation, especially to surrounding areas downwind; and

WHEREAS, thousands of Pacific Islanders including the people of Guam were affected by the detonations of nuclear bombs; and

WHEREAS, the National Research Council concluded that, "Guam received measurable radiation from atmospheric testing in the Pacific", and

WHEREAS, the residents of Guam during that time period were recommended to be included in the Radiation Exposure Compensation Act (RECA) as downwinders; and

WHEREAS, the Pacific Association for Radiation Survivors (PARS) advocated to extend and expand RECA to include Guam survivors who were harmed by U.S. nuclear testing as "downwinders" under RECA; and

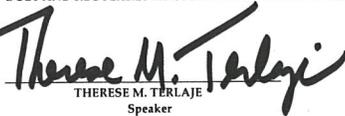
WHEREAS, I Liheslaturan Guåhan has always supported the inclusion of Guam and the passage of S. 2798 and H. 5338, introduced in the U.S. Senate and House of Representatives on September 22, 2021, which would amend the Radiation Exposure Compensation Act to include Guam as a downwinder of the U.S. Pacific test sites, extend the fund claims period, and improve compensation and benefits since the I Mina'trentai Siette Na Liheslaturan Guåhan (the 27<sup>th</sup> Guam Legislature); and

WHEREAS, I Mina'trentai Siette Na Liheslaturan Guåhan (the 37<sup>th</sup> Guam Legislature) and the people of Guam convey our lasting gratitude for PARS's commitment and dedication to ensuring that our people receive equitable compensation for the injustice and suffering they endured during times of war; now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Committee on Rules of I Mina'trentai Siette Na Liheslaturan Guåhan, does hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, recognize January 27, 2023 as National Downwinders Day of Remembrance for all Americans who worked and lived downwind from nuclear testing sites and were adversely affected by radiation exposure and to commend the Pacific Association of Radiation Survivors for persevering in their support and advocacy for those afflicted with cancers on Guam and to include the people of Guam for RECA compensation; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Pacific Association of Radiation Survivors; and to the Honorable Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero, I Magsa' hãgan Guåhan.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF I MINA TRENTAI SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE 27<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF JANUARY 2023.

  
THERESE M. TERLAJE  
Speaker

  
CHRIS BARNETT  
Chairperson, Committee on Rules

  
AMANDA L. SHELTON  
Legislative Secretary



  
MARIE CRUZ  
1/27/23, 3:12 p.m.

***I MINA'TRENTAI SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN***  
**2023 (FIRST) Regular Session**

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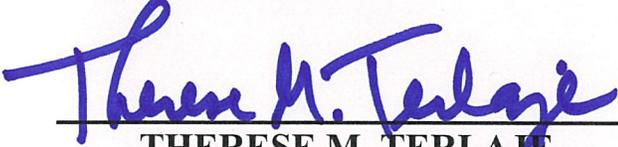
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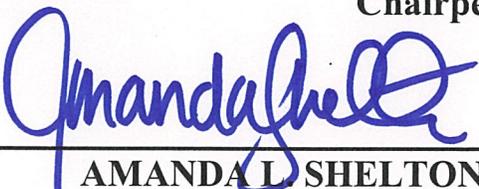
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**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF  
I MINA'TRENTAI SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE 27<sup>TH</sup> DAY  
OF JANUARY 2023.**

  
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**THERESE M. TERLAJE**  
Speaker

  
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**CHRIS BARNETT**  
Chairperson, Committee on Rules

  
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**AMANDAL SHELTON**  
Legislative Secretary



# COMMITTEE ON RULES

Chris Barnett, Chairperson, Committee on Rules

*I Mina'trentai Siette Na Liheslaturan Guåhan*

37<sup>th</sup> Guam Legislature

## COMMITTEE VOTE SHEET

**Resolution No. 18-37 (COR)** – Therese M. Terlaje, Sabina Flores Perez, William A. Parkinson, Joe S. San Agustin, Telo T. Taitague, Frank Blas, Jr., Roy Anthony Benavente Quinata, Amanda L. Shelton, Jesse A. Lujan, Joanne Brown, Christopher M. Dueñas, Dwayne T. D. San Nicolas, Tina Rose Muña Barnes, Chris Barnett. – “Relative to recognizing January 27, 2023, as National Downwinders Day of Remembrance, for all Americans who worked and lived downwind from nuclear testing sites and were adversely affected by radiation exposure and to commend the Pacific Association of Radiation Survivors for persevering in their support and advocacy for those afflicted with cancers on Guam and to include the people of Guam for RECA compensation.”

	INITIAL	DATE	TO ADOPT	TO NOT ADOPT	TO ABSTAIN
<b>Senator Chris Barnett</b> Chairperson	E-Vote	1/27/23	X		
<b>Senator Sabina Flores Perez</b> Vice Chairperson	E-Vote	1/27/23	X		
<b>Speaker Therese M. Terlaje</b> Member	<i>Tmt</i>	1/27/23	X		
<b>Vice Speaker Tina Rose Muña Barnes</b> Member	E-Vote	1/27/23	X		
<b>Legislative Secretary Amanda L. Shelton</b> Vice Chairperson	E-Vote	1/27/23	X		
<b>Senator William Mark Parkinson</b> Member	E-Vote	1/27/23	X		
<b>Senator Roy Anthony Benavente Quinata</b> Member	E-Vote	1/27/23	X		
<b>Senator Joe S. San Agustin</b> Member	E-Vote	1/27/23	X		
<b>Senator Dwayne Thomas Diaz San Nicolas</b> Member	E-Vote	1/27/23	X		
<b>Senator Christopher M. Dueñas</b> Minority Member	E-Vote	1/27/23	X		
<b>Senator Joanne Brown</b> Minority Member					
<b>Senator Thomas J. Fisher</b> Minority Member					
<b>Senator Telo T. Taitague</b> Minority Member	E-Vote	1/27/23	X		
<b>For Sponsor's Office Use Only</b>					
Sponsor Signature: <i>Therese M. Terlaje</i>					
Staff Contact Person: <b>Marie Cruz</b>					
<b>For COR/Clerk's Office Use Only</b>					
<u>11</u> Certified _____ Returned					
Name: <b>Marie Crisostomo</b>					
Date: 1/27/23 11:00 a.m.					
Notes:					



Office of the Speaker  
**THERESE M. TERLAJE**

*I Mina'trentai Siette na Liheslaturan Guåhan* | 37th Guam Legislature  
Committee on Health, Land, Justice and Culture

January 26, 2023

**MEMORANDUM**

To: All Senators, Stakeholders

From: Speaker Therese M. Terlaje *Tmt*

Subject: **Notice of Presentation - Resolution No. 16-37 (COR) and Resolution No. 18-37 (COR)**

*Buenas yan Håfa Adai!*

Please join us for the presentations of legislative resolutions on **Friday, January 27, 2023:**

**1:00 PM**

- **Resolution No. 16-37 (COR)** - Therese M. Terlaje "Relative to recognizing and commending David "Mataga" Lujan Sablan for his contributions as a visual artist, illustrator, ceramist, and wood carver for, among other work, depicting *lina'la manaotaomo'na* (the lifeways of *CHamoru* ancestors), thereby enlightening all the richness and beauty of ancestral *CHamoru* life, people, and accomplishments; the public display of which has deeply empowered the *CHamoru* people and played a notable role in the renaissance of *CHamoru* culture; and for further expressing *Un Dangkolo Na Si Yu'os Ma'ase* to him for his commitment to promoting knowledge and understanding of the legacy of *i manaotaomo'na* for the benefit of future generations."

**4:00 PM**

- **Resolution No. 18-37 (COR)** - Therese M. Terlaje / Sabina F. Perez / William A. Parkinson / Joe S. San Agustin / Telo T. Taitague / Frank F. Blas, Jr. / Roy A.B. Quinata / Amanda L. Shelton / Jesse A. Lujan / Joanne M. Brown / Christopher M. Duenas / Dwayne San Nicolas / Tina Rose Muna Barnes / Darrel C. Barnett "Relative to recognizing January 27, 2023, as National Downwinders Day of Remembrance, for all Americans who worked and lived downwind from nuclear testing sites and were adversely affected by radiation exposure and to commend the Pacific Association of Radiation Survivors for persevering in their support and advocacy for those afflicted with cancers on Guam and to include the people of Guam for RECA compensation"

The presentation will be held at the **Guam Congress Building, Public Hearing Room.**

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