## 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 AUTHORS REPORT FILED	NOTES
80-37 (COR)	Thomas J. Fisher Christopher M. Dueñas Joanne Brown Telo T. Taitague	Relative to commending and congratulating the people of the municipality of <i>Hågat</i> , Mayor Kevin J.T. Susuico of <i>Hågat</i> , Vice Mayor Christopher J. Fejeran of <i>Hågat</i> , the <i>Hågat</i> Municipal Planning Council, Former Mayor Carol Sablan Tayama of <i>Hågat</i> , and the participants and organizers for hosting and coordinating the Fourteenth (14th) Annual " <i>Hågat</i> Mango Festival"; and to further extend a warm and sincere <i>Un Dangkolo Na Si Yu'os Ma'ase'</i> for their commitment to promoting an enjoyable cultural and culinary experience for the people of Guam.		5/26/23 6:00 p.m.						
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## I MINA'TRENTAI SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN 2023 (FIRST) Regular Session

Resolution No. 80-37 (COR)

Introduced by:

Sabina Flores Perez

Relative to commending and congratulating the people of the municipality of Hågat, Mayor Kevin J.T. Susuico of Hågat, Vice Mayor Christopher J. Fejeran of Hågat, the Hågat Municipal Planning Council, Former Mayor Carol Sablan Tayama of Hågat, and the participants and organizers for hosting and coordinating the Fourteenth (14th) Annual "Hågat Mango Festival"; and to further extend a warm and sincere Un Dangkolo Na Si Yu'os Ma'ase' for their commitment to promoting an enjoyable cultural and culinary experience for the people of Guam.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF I

2 MINA'TRENTAI SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN:

WHEREAS, in 2006, Mayor Carol Sablan Tayama, the first female Mayor of

Hågat, and the Hågat Mayors Office, the Municipal Planning Council of Hågat, and

the residents of the municipality of Hågat organized the first "Hågat Mango Festival"

at the Nimitz Beach Park, which showcased the many uses of mango, culinary skills of

our island community, and the warm southern hospitality of Hågat, subsequently

starting a much-anticipated annual event for both participants and visitors with

activities, contests, displays, entertainment, food, and fun; and

WHEREAS, the first "Hågat Mango Festival" was a great opportunity for the residents of Hågat and the people of Guam to come together and exhibit the various uses of mango and its significance to Guam's culture, as well as to display the creativity and entrepreneurial talents of our people. Festival-goers found delicious food items at the concession vendors who sold mango marinated BBQ sticks, mango salsa salad, homemade mango cheesecake, mango ice pops, mango smoothies. These dishes were entered into contests where a panel of chefs judged each entry to find the winning dishes in the Mango Cook-Off and Dessert Bake-Off Competitions. Besides the concessions, sample booths were also available for people to enjoy different mango dishes such as savory pickled mango, and sweet mango donuts; and

WHEREAS, local families participated in displaying the variety of mango harvests in competitions to choose the "Most Beautiful Mango", the "Biggest Mango," and the "Most Bizarre Mango." The festival included activities for the whole family to enjoy, including games and rides for the children attending; and

**WHEREAS**, the two-day weekend festival was a tremendous success for both the vendors who participated and the community of *Hågat*, inspiring more vendors and participants to join in the following years and showcase their products such as locally made jewelry, crafts, designs, apparel, and more; and

WHEREAS, the Guam Visitors Bureau saw this first festival as a great opportunity for our island to share Guam culture and hospitality and became one of the

1 major sponsors for the festival. Since then, sponsorship from various local business for

2 the festival has grown; and

WHEREAS, in June 2010, the festival was relocated from Nimitz Beach Park to the newly built facility of *Hågat Sagan Bisita*. This change of venue allowed for more activities to be added to the festival, such as the 2K/5K Run/Walk Race, the Canoe Paddle Race, and the "Little Miss Mango Pageant." Later, the "Little Mister and Miss *Måsa* Mango" pageants were added to include and recognize the beautifully aged women contestants as well; and

WHEREAS, in 2015, after nine successful years, Mayor Carol Sablan Tayama and Vice Mayor Kevin J.T. Susuico, who was elected after the passing of Vice Mayor Agustin "Dinga" G. Quintanilla in a special election, decided to extend the 11<sup>th</sup> annual "Hågat Mango Festival" to a three-day event in 2016; and

WHEREAS, the "Hågat Mango Festival" continues to grow every year, attracting Guam residents and visitors to the municipality of Hågat to enjoy food, vendor booths, entertainment, and contests; and

WHEREAS, in 2020, the COVID-19 Pandemic shutdown the "Hågat Mango Festival" for three years, making the "Hågat Mango Festival" of 2023 the fourteenth annual "Hågat Mango Festival", and the first festival held since 2019; and

WHEREAS, the Fourteenth (14<sup>th</sup>) Annual "Hågat Mango Festival", is scheduled to be held on Friday, May 26th to Sunday, May 28<sup>th</sup> at the the Hågat Sagan Bisita; and WHEREAS, the festivities for the 2023 "Hågat Mango Fesitval" will include cooking contests featuring mango as the main ingredient, entertainment and performances from different community groups and organizations, and various

merchandise vendors; and

WHEREAS, the "Hågat Mango Festival" serves as a platform for vendors to showcase their products and services to local residents and visitors from around the world; thus supporting the development of small businesses, encouraging local

1 economic growth, and providing opportunities for the people of Guam to test the

2 commercial viability and sustainability of their products and services; now therefore,

3 be it

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4 RESOLVED, that the Committee on Rules of I Mina'trentai Siette Na

Liheslaturan Guåhan does hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, commend and

6 congratulate the people of the municipality of *Hågat*, Mayor Kevin J.T. Susuico of

7 Hågat, Vice Mayor Christopher J. Fejeran of Hågat, the Hågat Municipal Planning

8 Council, Former Mayor Carol Sablan Tayama of Hågat, and the participants and

9 organizers for hosting and coordinating the Fourteenth (14th) Annual "Hågat Mango

10 Festival"; and to further extend a warm and sincere Un Dangkolo Na Si Yu'os Ma'ase'

11 for their commitment to promoting a cultural and culinary experience for the people of

12 Guam.; and be it further

13 **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

15 the same be thereafter transmitted to Mayor Kevin J.T. Susuico of Hågat, Vice Mayor

16 Christopher J. Fejeran of *Hågat*, to the *Hågat* Municipal Planning Council; to Former

17 Mayor Carol Sablan Tayama of *Hågat*, and to the Honorable Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero,

18 I Maga'hågan Guåhan.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF I MINA'TRENTAL SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE DAY OF MONTH 2023.

THERESE M. TERLAJE Speaker CHRIS BARNETT
Chairperson, Committee on Rules

AMANDA L. SHELTON Legislative Secretary