

**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
267-37 (LS)	Therese M. Terlaje Sabina Flores Perez Tina Rose Muña Barnes Amanda L. Shelton Telo T. Taitague Joanne Brown Chris Barnett Frank Blas, Jr. Christopher M. Dueñas Jesse A. Lujan William A. Parkinson Roy A. B. Quinata Joe S. San Agustin Dwayne T.D. San Nicolas	Relative to recognizing the Guam Women's Chamber of Commerce (GWCC) on its Tenth (10th) Year Anniversary; and commending its members for their many years of community and humanitarian services to the people of Guam.	11/30/23 3:43 p.m.	12/14/23 1:00 p.m.	11/30/23					

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WHEREAS, it is the sense of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* to recognize the accomplishments of those distinguished citizens of this great island who have devoted themselves to faithfully serving the best interests of our community and the needs of our people; and

WHEREAS, some of these distinguished citizens are members of the Guam Women's Chamber of Commerce (GWCC), which was founded by Anita Borja Enriquez, Antoinette Sanford, Denise Mendiola, Doyon Ahon Morato, Jacqueline Marati, Lourdes Leon Guerrero, Lorraine Okada, Mary Okada, Monica Guzman, Siska Hutapea, and Vanessa Williams, who had a vision to be dedicated advocates for women in business; and with that vision, stature, and boldness they established an organization they felt could best represent women's unique needs and interests here on Guam; and

WHEREAS, this strong group of women also pioneered the "Women Firsts" project in which they featured thirty-four (34) local women who were identified as firsts in their field, and recognized for their achievements, and who were honored at the Government House; and the project was completed with the assistance of Guampedia. The GWCC's vision is to shape the Chamber of Commerce to envision a future where Guam's economy is shaped and influenced by the equal participation of women in business, and it is committed to its mission to facilitate this transformation by empowering and advancing women in business through advocacy, networking, mentorship, and access to essential resources; and

WHEREAS, GWCC has a rich history of contributing to our island's economic development. They established a vital Women's Business Center (WBC) located in the heart of *Hagåtña* which provides essential resources, training, and guidance to women entrepreneurs, enabling them to start and grow their business successfully; and the WBC offers their office space to members and future members to rent out for their business needs, personal events, and strategic meetings; and

WHEREAS, recognizing the significance of healthcare in the business environment, GWCC has worked to facilitate access to health for women in business, ensuring their well-being and that of their employees. GWCC offers access to insurance for all members, including sole proprietors and individuals who own their own small businesses; and

WHEREAS, GWCC hosts leadership conferences that offer a platform where women can gain knowledge and inspiration, and connect with like-minded individuals to further their professional growth. GWCC held their Annual Summit on October 19, 2023, with the theme: "*Fanachu Famalao'an - Women Rising*," in honor of their tenth (10th) year anniversary, which was held at the Dusit Thani Resort Guam with over three hundred seventy-five (375) attendees. The event brought to Guam two (2) off-island speakers who were born and raised here on Guam who spoke about networking, sustainability in the workplace, female disruptors, and taking risks in the workforce; and powering success through people, joy, and Profession, Image, and Exposure (PIE). A variety of masterclasses were offered in the hope of offering attendees a tangible task to take along with them in the next steps of their business journey and venture they may be on at the current time. The event primarily provided networking for the attendees, and the encouragement and empowerment of women, to stamp out any fears they may have, and to encourage all people to come together here on Guam and build the community of business; and

WHEREAS, the Chamber conducts numerous training sessions and workshops aimed at enhancing the skills and competencies of women in business, thus increasing their ability to compete effectively. They offer expert business advisement services to help women-owned businesses to overcome challenges and achieve their goals. The Chamber's mentorship programs pair experienced professionals with those who are just starting out or looking to grow, providing valuable guidance and support; and they are committed to empowering the next generation of female leaders by offering scholarships and internships to deserving young individuals pursuing their education and career aspirations; and

WHEREAS, the Guam Women's Chamber of Commerce (GWCC) is dedicated to breaking down barriers and promoting an inclusive business environment where women are empowered and celebrated for their contributions to our island's economy; now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that *I Mina Trentai Siette Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, recognize the Guam Women's Chamber of Commerce (GWCC) on its Tenth (10th) Year Anniversary; and commend its members for their many years of community and humanitarian services to the people of Guam; 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 Women's Chamber of Commerce; and to the Honorable Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero, *I Maga'hagan Guåhan*.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY I MINA TRENTAI SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE 30TH DAY OF NOVEMBER 2023.


THERESE M. TERLAJE
Speaker


AMANDA L. SHELTON
Legislative Secretary



APC/MSH
12/07/23
4:34 p.m.

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

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Committee on Health, Land, Justice, and Culture

December 7, 2023

MEMORANDUM

To: All Senators, Stakeholders

From: Speaker Therese M. Terlaje *TMT*

Subject: **Notice of Presentation - Resolution No. 267-37 (LS)**

Buenas yan Håfa Adai!

Please join us for the presentation of Resolution No. 267-37 (LS) - **Relative to recognizing the Guam Women's Chamber of Commerce (GWCC) on its Tenth (10th) Year Anniversary; and commending its members for their many years of community and humanitarian services to the people of Guam.**

Resolution No. 267-37 (LS) will be presented on **Thursday, December 14, 2023, at 1:00 p.m., at the Guam Congress Building, Public Hearing Room.**

We look forward to your participation.

Si Yu'os Ma'åse'!

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