

I MINA'TRENTAI SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN
RESOLUTIONS

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Introduced by:

Jesse A. Lujan 

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BE IT RESOLVED BY *I MINA'TRENTAI SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN*:

WHEREAS, August 2024 recognizes nationally "Child Support Awareness Month"; and

WHEREAS, the Office of the Attorney General's (OAG) "*Love Your kids*" program involves custodial and non-custodial parents providing all forms of support for their children to help them succeed in life; and

WHEREAS, the Attorney General's Office's "*Love Your Kids*" program relies on the premise that both parents naturally want their children to be as strong and well-adjusted as possible, and to also be better than the parents were in life; and

WHEREAS, the Attorney General's Office's role in protecting Guam's children involves not just protecting them against harm, but also ensuring that our Community's

1 children receive as much financial and emotional support that both parents can provide
2 to them; and

3 **WHEREAS**, love is the foundation upon which Guam’s children will grow and
4 flourish into being its future leaders, entrepreneurs, teachers, business people, parents,
5 and overall good, productive, and law-abiding citizens; and

6 **WHEREAS**, although part of the Attorney General’s duty is to administer the
7 child support guidelines to both parents to provide for Guam’s children’s *bare minimum*
8 financial resources that they need to live, the Attorney General also implemented the
9 “*Love Your Kids*” program that encourages both parents to give more than a bare
10 minimum to their children so that their kids can truly succeed in life; and

11 **WHEREAS**, having both parents in a child’s life is infinitely better than
12 depriving the child of one or both of their parents in order to socialize their child,
13 thereby helping their child understand where they come from, who they are, and help
14 them discover the gifts and talents that they have; and

15 **WHEREAS**, the Attorney General’s Access and Visitation Program
16 supplements the resources available to both custodial and non-custodial parents to focus
17 on their children, such as sharing custody and spending actual time with their children,
18 and not just the money needed to raise their children; and

19 **WHEREAS**, with the recent passage of Public Law Number 37-100, the
20 Attorney General’s Office, along with other leaders has finally resolved the millions of
21 dollars owed to unlocatable custodial parents sitting in government accounts for the past
22 over 30 years with a solid procedure to either locate those parents, or dispose of the
23 funds pursuant to a Judge’s order so that other children may be helped; and

24 **WHEREAS**, *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* fully supports the Attorney General and his
25 staff’s efforts to unite custodial and non-custodial parents under the common and shared
26 goal of helping their children to succeed; now therefore, be it

27 **RESOLVED**, that *I Mina'trentai Siette Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby,
28 on behalf of the people of Guam, recognize the observance of the Office of the Attorney
29 General’s “*Love Your Kids Month*,” during the month of August 2024; and commend

1 them for promoting the importance of both custodial and non-custodial parents
2 providing financial, physical, educational, and emotional support for their children; and
3 be it further

4 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the
5 adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to the Honorable
6 Douglas B. Moylan, Attorney General of Guam, and the Office of the Attorney General;
7 and to the Honorable Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero, *I Maga'hågan Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY *I MINA'TRENTAI SIETTE NA*
LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE DAY OF 2024.**

THERESE M. TERLAJE
Speaker

AMANDA L. SHELTON
Legislative Secretary