

I MINA'TRENTAI SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN

RESOLUTIONS

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Introduced by:

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Relative to recognizing the FSM community of Guam on the observance of “FSM Independence Day”; and commending the FSM community on the occasion of its Thirty-eight (38th) Year Anniversary as an independent nation.

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

WHEREAS, Micronesia is a region in the western Pacific that is comprised of thousands of islands, including Guam, the Federated States of Micronesia (FSM), the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI), the Republic of Palau, the Republic of the Marshall Islands (RMI), the Republic of Nauru, and the Republic of Kiribati; and

WHEREAS, the FSM, which attained its independence on November 3, 1986, is comprised of the island states of Chuuk, Yap, Kosrae, and Pohnpei; and

WHEREAS, Guam is a unique island inclusive of various cultures and is currently home to thousands of individuals who are of FSM descent; and

WHEREAS, the people of Guam continue to have a strong relationship with the FSM community of Guam, one that has been built by years of friendship, kinship, and a shared sentiment of wanting all Guamanians to prosper and succeed; and

WHEREAS, the contributions by members of Guam's FSM community have proven to be invaluable and beneficial to the overall success of Guam and its people; and

WHEREAS, over thousands of families in Guam's FSM community are making an investment in Guam's future by raising their children here; and

WHEREAS, over thousand members of Guam's FSM community are contributing to the island's economy through their employment, with the vast majority working in Guam's private sector; and

WHEREAS, there are members of Guam's FSM community which are also serving in the United States Armed Forces, the Reserves, or the National Guard, and more are veterans; and

1 **WHEREAS**, with the support from many community partners, including the FSM Association
2 of Guam, the FSM Consulate Office, the *Mañe'lu* or the Micronesian Resource Center, members of
3 Guam's business community, the regional leaders from the FSM national and state governments, along
4 with members of the FSM community on Guam, will celebrate the occasion of "FSM Independence
5 Day" on this day Saturday, November 2, 2024, with the theme "Unity in Diversity; Celebrating Our
6 Heritage and Future"; now therefore, be it

7 **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina'trentai Siette Na Liheslaturan Guåhan*
8 does hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, recognize the FSM community of Guam on the
9 observance of "FSM Independence Day"; and commend the FSM community on the occasion of its
10 Thirty-eight (38th) Year Anniversary as an independent nation; and be it further

11 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules certify, and
12 the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter
13 transmitted to His Excellency Wesley W. Simina, President, Federated States of Micronesia; The
14 Honorable Esmond B. Moses, Speaker of the 23rd FSM Congress; The Honorable Johnny Silbanuz,
15 FSM, Acting Consul General to Guam; to The Honorable James C. Moylan, Guam Delegate to the
16 United States Congress; and to The Honorable Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero, *I Maga'hågan Guåhan*.

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

THERESE M. TERLAJE
Speaker

CHRIS "MALAFUNKSHUN" BARNETT
Chairperson, Committee on Rules

AMANDA L. SHELTON
Legislative Secretary