

**I MINA'TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN**  
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**Resolution No. 191-30 (LS)**

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**Relative to congratulating the National AARP, Inc., on its Fifty-first (51<sup>st</sup>) Anniversary and the Guam Chapter 4837, AARP, Inc., on its fifteenth (15<sup>th</sup>) Anniversary, and to commending AARP in promoting independence, dignity and purpose for older persons, enhancing their quality of life and encouraging all "to serve and not to be served".**

1           **BE IT RESOLVED BY I MINA'TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN**  
2 **GUÅHAN:**

3           **WHEREAS**, on July 1, 1958, in Washington, D.C., Dr. Ethel Percy  
4 Andrus and a group of founding members formed the National Retired  
5 Teacher's Association (NRTA), which was transformed into the American  
6 Association of Retired Persons (AARP), and was established as a national  
7 organization representing the interests of older U.S. citizens; and

8           **WHEREAS**, Dr. Andrus, the Association's first (1<sup>st</sup>) President,  
9 approved the application for recognition of the first (1<sup>st</sup>) AARP chapter in  
10 Youngstown, Arizona, in September 1960. Twenty-six (26) years later, in  
11 1984 the Guam Chapter 4837, AARP, Inc., was organized, and was  
12 chartered in 1994 with over three thousand (3,000) members to date; and

13           **WHEREAS**, AARP stresses the importance of community service, an  
14 active and useful life, self-actualization, and development. AARP has  
15 continued to develop networks to form coalitions within the worldwide  
16 aging community, promoting the well-being of older persons  
17 internationally through advocacy, education and service; and

18           **WHEREAS**, the Chapter's mission is to represent AARP at the local  
19 level, providing a link between members, communities, and the  
20 Association's programs and services, whose leadership and commitment to  
21 volunteerism is an invaluable resource in strengthening the Association  
22 and making communities better places to live and work for all people; and

1           **WHEREAS**, the Chapter’s goals and objectives are set across a broad  
2 wide range of functions, including, community service, leadership,  
3 communication, recruitment, fellowship, advocacy and education; and

4           **WHEREAS**, AARP began to standardize the various operating rules  
5 and procedures for its chapters in the mid 1960’s, and in 1965, the AARP  
6 Board of Directors developed the AARP Chapter By-Laws, an important  
7 step in unifying the organization into a viable national association; and

8           **WHEREAS**, today, AARP is a dynamic force in being the most  
9 successful and acknowledged organization in the United States for positive  
10 social change, in delivering on the promise to each member in helping  
11 members make their own choices and reaching their goals and dreams, in  
12 making the most of life after the age of fifty (50), and in being a world  
13 leader on the issue of global aging; and

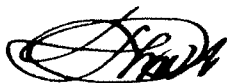
14           **WHEREAS**, Guam Chapter 4837, AARP, Inc., has been a  
15 distinguished recipient of the Annual AARP Chapter Community Service  
16 Award, in sponsoring political debates, and in making the AARP Medicare  
17 Supplemental Plan 1 and the AARP Life Insurance Plan available to  
18 members of the Guam Chapter 4837, AARP, Inc.; and

19           **WHEREAS**, AARP now has offices in each of the fifty (50) states, the  
20 District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands. Together,  
21 states and chapters provide a highly visible, positive image of the  
22 Association regionally and locally, working in tandem to carry out AARP’s  
23 advocacy, education, and service responsibilities; now, therefore, be it

1           **RESOLVED**, that *I Mina'Trenta Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby,  
2 on behalf of the people of Guam, congratulate the National AARP, Inc. on  
3 its Fifty-first (51<sup>st</sup>) Anniversary and the Guam Chapter 4837, AARP, Inc., on  
4 its Fifteenth (15<sup>th</sup>) Anniversary, and does commend AARP in promoting  
5 independence, dignity and purpose for older persons, enhancing their  
6 quality of life and encouraging all "to serve and not to be served"; and be it  
7 further

8           **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker certify, and the Legislative Secretary  
9 attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter  
10 transmitted to Mr. Leland White, AARP Regional Director; to Mr. Tom  
11 Barcinas, President, Guam Chapter 4837, AARP, Inc.; and to the Honorable  
12 Felix P. Camacho, *I Maga'lahaen Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY I MINA'TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THIS 10<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2009.**



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JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D.  
Speaker



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TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES  
Legislative Secretary