

***I MINA'TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN***  
**2009 (FIRST) Regular Session**

**Resolution No. 113 (COR)**

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**Relative to recognizing the American Cancer Society Guam Field Office for promoting cancer awareness through the "Relay For Life", and to commending the hardworking volunteers and corporate partners for coordinating, promoting and making this annual event a success.**

1           **BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF I**  
2 ***MINA'TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN:***

3           **WHEREAS**, the American Cancer Society's annual "Relay For Life" has  
4 become one of the most successful charity events nationwide, and is  
5 celebrating twenty-five (25) years of bringing hope to communities  
6 everywhere, and saving lives; and

7           **WHEREAS**, in May 1985, Dr. Gordy Klatt, a colorectal surgeon, spent a  
8 grueling twenty-four (24) hours running and walking over eighty-three (83)  
9 miles at Baker Stadium in Tacoma, Washington, thereby raising the first  
10 Twenty-seven Thousand Dollars (\$27,000) for the fight against cancer; and

11           **WHEREAS**, in 2008, our Guam community continued the tradition of  
12 helping in the fight against cancer, raising Three Hundred Seventy Nine  
13 Thousand Dollars (\$379,000) with ninety-seven (97) teams, and celebrating the  
14 lives of two hundred twelve (212) cancer survivors and their caregivers, who  
15 participated in "Relay For Life 2008"; and

16           **WHEREAS**, the American Cancer Society's "Relay For Life" involves all  
17 facets of the community throughout the nation, including, businesses,  
18 government agencies, individuals, and youth groups with one goal: to  
19 remember those who have lost the battle to cancer, to celebrate the brave men,  
20 women, and children who have survived cancer, and to continue to fight for a  
21 cure; and

1           **WHEREAS**, the American Cancer Society Guam Field Office is largely  
2 made up of volunteers, and the monies it raises are used for research,  
3 education, advocacy, and services to cancer patients; and

4           **WHEREAS**, the “Relay For Life” fundraising has allowed for  
5 advancements in research, including, the mammogram and the pap smear  
6 that exist today due to the work of American Cancer Society-funded research;  
7 and

8           **WHEREAS**, funds raised through “Relay For Life” allow the American  
9 Cancer Society to continue their work to educate adults and children on the  
10 prevention and early detection of cancer, and to allow for cancer information  
11 to be accessible twenty-four (24) hours a day at [www.cancer.org](http://www.cancer.org), and 1-800-  
12 ACS-2345; and

13           **WHEREAS**, the American Cancer Society works to strengthen cancer-  
14 related laws and regulations that benefit the entire community, such as, the  
15 Natasha Protection Act, which bans smoking in public places; and

16           **WHEREAS**, funds raised through “Relay For Life” allow the Guam  
17 Field Office to provide ongoing support programs and services to patients  
18 diagnosed with cancer in Guam, including, but not limited to, transportation  
19 and lodging assistance, medical supplies, nutritional supplement drinks, and  
20 wigs and hats; and

21           **WHEREAS**, the success of the American Cancer Society’s “Relay For  
22 Life” is due to the Relay For Life Team Captains, teams, the hundreds of

1 community volunteers, and numerous corporate sponsors and benefactors,  
2 whose generous contributions help to lead our community toward a future  
3 where cancer will one day not be a threat to the lives of our friends and  
4 family; now, therefore, be it

5       **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina'Trenta Na*  
6 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the  
7 people of Guam, recognize and extend a heartfelt *Si Yu'os Ma'åse'* to the  
8 American Cancer Society Guam Field Office for promoting cancer awareness  
9 through the annual "Relay For Life", for its dedication to finding a cure, for  
10 honoring and celebrating cancer survivors, and for remembering those who  
11 have lost their lives; and be it further

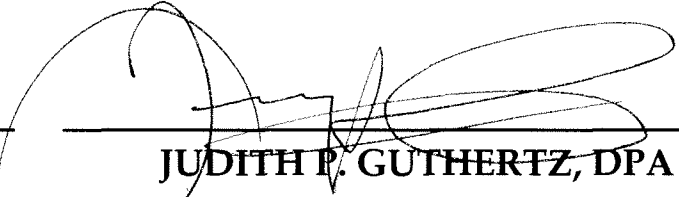
12       **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on  
13 Rules certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and  
14 that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Christina Nocket,  
15 Community Manager-Development of the American Cancer Society Guam  
16 Field Office; and to the Honorable Felix P. Camacho, *I Maga'lahaen Guåhan*.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES  
OF *I MINA'TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN* ON THIS 21<sup>ST</sup> DAY  
OF MAY 2009.



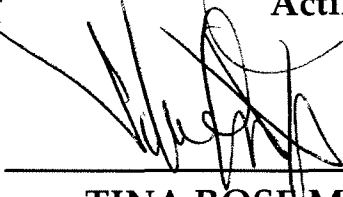
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JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D.  
Speaker



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JUDITH P. GUTHERTZ, DPA  
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