

I MINA'TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
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Resolution No. 134 (COR)

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Relative to commending the Twenty-eighth (28th) Annual Pacific Islands Bilingual-Bicultural Association (PIBBA) International Conference Steering Committee, and PIBBA Local Chapter Officers and members in promoting bilingualism and biculturalism in the Pacific, particularly indigenous languages and cultures in the Micronesian Region, most especially during the Twenty-eighth (28th) Annual PIBBA International Conference from June 22 through 25, 2009.

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

3 **WHEREAS**, this year, the Twenty-eighth (28th) Annual Pacific Islands
4 Bilingual-Bicultural Association (PIBBA) International Conference theme is
5 **“Invigorating The Languages And Cultures Of The Pacific”** which translates
6 to *Låsu'on I Kinalamten I Fino' Yan Lina'la' I Pasifiku Siha in Chamoru*,
7 which compels all conference participants to promote the unity of the Pacific
8 in matters relating to bilingual-bicultural activities that will sustain, restore
9 and strengthen the indigenous knowledge and perspectives of native peoples;
10 and

11 **WHEREAS**, PIBBA lobbies for policies which promote bilingual-
12 bicultural and indigenous language and culture activities at the local, regional
13 and national level; and

14 **WHEREAS**, PIBBA establishes channels of communication and
15 disseminates information relevant to bilingual-bicultural and indigenous
16 language and culture activities in the Pacific; and

17 **WHEREAS**, PIBBA encourages the implementation of quality programs
18 of bilingual-bicultural and indigenous language and cultural instruction and
19 activities; and

20 **WHEREAS**, the PIBBA conference serves as a forum for the
21 development of bilingual-bicultural and indigenous language and culture
22 philosophy, education and research in the Pacific; and

1 **WHEREAS**, it becomes the responsibility of today’s indigenous leaders
2 to encourage and educate our children about their heritage, in an attempt to
3 nurture them as the leaders of the future; and

4 **WHEREAS**, it is imperative that the members of PIBBA International
5 and PIBBA Local Chapters be acknowledged as the vanguards who have
6 dedicated their efforts to emphasizing the significance of perpetuating
7 indigenous languages and, by extension, the culture within their educational
8 systems and within their communities; and

9 **WHEREAS**, it is imperative to acknowledge the strong partnerships
10 created by the Pacific Islands Bilingual-Bicultural Association and the Mayors’
11 Council of Guam, the University of Guam, the Guam Preservation Trust, the
12 Guam Historic Preservation Office, the Department of Parks and Recreation,
13 the Council of the Arts and Humanities Agency, the Merizo Municipal
14 Council and Mayor Ernest T. Chargualaf, the *Chamoru* Studies Division of the
15 Guam Public School System, the Guam Visitors Bureau, the Office of *I*
16 *Maga’lahen Guåhan, I Mina’Trenta Na Liheslaturan Guåhan*, and other
17 organizations that continue to carry out the mission to protect, preserve,
18 perpetuate and promote indigenous languages and cultures throughout the
19 Pacific Region. All of these agencies are also worthy of commendation for
20 their assistance in the planning, participation and support of the conference;
21 and

1 **WHEREAS**, all of the people of Guam and Pacific Region are
2 encouraged to attend and participate in the conference presentations and
3 activities; and

4 **WHEREAS**, the following venues are recognized for being the
5 designated conference sites: the Guam Marriott Resort and Spa, Tumon; the
6 College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences, University of Guam, Mangilao;
7 and the Merizo Pier Park and Merlyn G. Cook School; now, therefore, be it

8 **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina'Trenta Na*
9 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, commend
10 the Twenty-eighth (28th) Annual Pacific Islands Bilingual-Bicultural
11 Association (PIBBA) International Conference Steering Committee, and PIBBA
12 Local Chapter Officers and members in promoting bilingualism and
13 biculturalism in the Pacific, particularly indigenous languages and cultures in
14 the Micronesian Region, most especially during the Twenty-eighth (28th)
15 Annual PIBBA International Conference from June 22 through 25, 2009; and
16 be it further

17 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on
18 Rules certify, and the Legislative Secretary attests to, the adoption hereof, and
19 that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Mrs. Rosa Salas Palomo,
20 Co-Chair, Twenty-eighth (28th) Annual PIBBA International Conference and
21 President-Elect, PIBBA; to Ms. Juanita Manibusan, Co-Chair, Twenty-eighth
22 (28th) Annual PIBBA International Conference and President, PIBBA Local

1 Chapter; to the Mayors' Council of Guam; to the College of Liberal Arts and
2 Social Sciences, University of Guam; to the Guam Preservation Trust; to the
3 Guam Historic Preservation Office; to the Department of Parks and
4 Recreation; to the Council of the Arts and Humanities Agency; to the Merizo
5 Municipal Council and Mayor Ernest T. Chargualaf; to the *Chamoru* Studies
6 Division Guam Public School System; to the Guam Visitors Bureau; and to the
7 Honorable Felix P. Camacho, *I Maga'lahaen Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES
OF I MINA'TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THIS 19TH DAY
OF JUNE 2009.**



JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D

Speaker



RORY J. RESPICIO

Chairperson, Committee on Rules



TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES

Legislative Secretary