I MINA'TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN 2010 (SECOND) Regular Session

Resolution No. 309-30 (LS)

Introduced by:

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Relative to recognizing and commending the organizers of the Fourth (4th) Women Veterans Conference in celebration of March as "National Women's History Month", acknowledging the honorable contributions and efforts made by women in our community to the people of Guam.

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

WHEREAS, on March 8, 1980, President Jimmy Carter issued a 3 Presidential Proclamation declaring the week of March 8 as the first (1st) 4 History Week", honoring and recognizing 5 "National Women's the contributions of women throughout American history as they played and 6 continue to play a pivotal cultural, social, and economic role within their 7 8 communities; and this effort resulted in a national movement to continue to recognize the contributions of women nationally and internationally, thus 9 proclaiming the month of March as "National Women's History Month"; and 10

11 WHEREAS, the United States Congress has recognized that women of 12 every race, class, and ethnic background have served as leaders in the 13 forefront of every major progressive social change movement, including the 14 securing of rights of suffrage and equal opportunity for women, the 15 abolitionist movement, the emancipation movement, the industrial labor 16 movement, the civil rights movement, and other movements creating a more 17 fair and just society for all; and

WHEREAS, the United States Congress has recognized that despite these contributions that have tremendously shaped the identity of our nation, the role of women in history has been consistently overlooked and undervalued, thus this year's overreaching theme is "Writing Women Back into History"; and

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1 WHEREAS, to celebrate "National Women's History Month", the Guam 2 Vet Center, the Guam National Guard Family Readiness Group, and the 3 Department of Labor are sponsoring the Fourth (4th) Women Veterans 4 Conference, with the primary goal of recognizing the contributions women 5 veterans have made through their military service and within their 6 communities; and

7 WHEREAS, the Conference seeks to provide current information 8 regarding U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs services and benefits available 9 to veterans, and encouraging women veterans to utilize such existing services; 10 to promote greater understanding of women issues by obtaining input from 11 women veterans; and to build resilience through better understanding of 12 issues and promoting the unique role women have within our community; 13 now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that I Mina'Trenta Na Liheslaturan Guåhan does hereby, on 14 15 behalf of the people of Guam, commend the organizers of the Fourth (4th) Women Veterans Conference for their foresight and continued commitment to 16 17 recognizing the contributions women veterans have made for their island, for their nation, and for the world; in celebration of the month of March as 18 19 "National Women's History Month", and to commending all women for their 20 contributions to our island community, and encouraging all island residents to observe this special month by giving respect, recognition and admiration to 21

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our women for the historic contributions to the growth and strength of our
island; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Speaker certify, and the Legislative Secretary 3 attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter 4 5 transmitted to the Guam Department of Labor; to the Guam Vet Center; to the Guam National Guard Family Readiness Group; to the U.S. Department of 6 Veterans Affairs; to the U.S. Navy; to the U.S. Air Force; to the Guam Army 7 National Guard; to the Small Business Administration; to the Honorable 8 Madeleine Z. Bordallo, Member of Congress, U.S. House of Representatives; 9 10 and to the Honorable Felix P. Camacho, I Maga'lahen Guåhan.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY I MINA'TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE 16TH DAY OF MARCH 2010.

TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES Acting Speaker

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RORY J. RESPICIO Acting Legislative Secretary