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

Resolution No. 458-30 (COR)

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Relative to recognizing and commending the members of the Red Ribbon Campaign Committee on the occasion of "Red Ribbon Campaign Week", on October 23 to 31, 2010; and to encouraging the people of Guam to support activities that raise awareness in the prevention of substance abuse, and to wear a red ribbon during "Red Ribbon Campaign Week", in recognition of the commitment to a drug-free Guam.

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

WHEREAS, alcohol and drug abuse on our island, and throughout the Nation, have reached epidemic proportions. As an island community, we value the health and safety of our citizens, especially Guam's youth. Today, we face many challenges as we try to protect our loved ones from the ongoing battle of substance abuse; and

WHEREAS, substance abuse, either through the use of drugs or alcohol, not only has a negative effect on individuals, families, businesses and schools, but it is also a contributing factor in the three (3) leading causes of death among adolescents, which are accidents, homicides and suicide; and

WHEREAS, the "Red Ribbon Campaign" began in 1985, after drug traffickers in Mexico City had murdered Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) Agent, Enrique "Kiki" Camarena. His friends and neighbors wore red badges of satin signifying his honor, and to show that they will continue to fight the crimes against illegal drugs. The mission of the Red Ribbon Campaign is to present a unified and visible commitment towards the creation of a DRUG-FREE AMERICA; and

WHEREAS, recognizing the seriousness of this threat, the National Family Partnership initiated the first "Red Ribbon Campaign" in 1986. This grassroots effort emphasized education and the importance of instructing children, teenagers, families, and communities about the dangers of drug and

alcohol abuse. It is now the oldest and largest drug prevention program in 1 the nation, reaching millions of young people, families, and communities 2 3 during the week. Since then, significant progress has been made in reducing 4 drug and alcohol abuse among Guam's young adults; and 5 WHEREAS, this year's Red Ribbon Campaign Week theme is "I AM 6 DRUG FREE", and some of this year's activities include: a 5k Run/Walk; a Poster Contest; a Poetry/Rap Contest; a School Gate Decorating Contest; Red 7 8 Ribbon Waves in Northern, Central and Southern Guam; a "Say Boo to Drug" 9 Community Event; and Education (School) Outreaches, as well as numerous print, TV and radio media events. These events are made possible by the Red 10 Ribbon Campaign Committee, which is comprised of the U.S. Drug 11 12 Enforcement Administration; the Guam Chamber of Commerce; the Guam 13 National Guard Counterdrug Program; the Judiciary of Guam, Juvenile Drug Court; the U.S. District Court of Guam; the U.S. Attorney's Office; the U.S. 14 Probation Office; the Guam Police Department; the Guam Department of 15 16 Education; the Department of Defense Educational Activities; the Guam Fire 17 Department; the Department of Corrections; the Department of Youth Affairs; 18 the Governor's PEACE Project; Sanctuary, Incorporated; Island Girl Power; 19 Youth for Youth Live! Guam; Joint Region Marianas; U.S. Naval Base Guam; the U.S. Naval Hospital; the USS Frank Cable (AS-40); the Department of 20 21 Mental Health and Substance Abuse; Big Brothers and Big Sisters of Guam;

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- 1 Management, Inc.; the Agana Shopping Center; the Guam Premier Outlets;
- 2 Tango, Inc. dba: Micronesia Mall and Stadium Theaters; Hollywood Theaters
- 3 Guam Megaplex Cinemas; the Sorensen Media Group; KIJI FM 104.3;
- 4 KUAM; the Marianas Variety; the Pacific Daily News; the Island Time
- 5 Magazine; the Office of the Governor; the Committee on Education of I
- 6 Mina'Trenta Na Liheslaturan Guåhan; and the Mayors Council of Guam. The
- 7 awareness effort, aimed at Guam's community, will concentrate on promoting
- 8 healthy choices and lifestyles that are both drug and violence free; and
- 9 WHEREAS, it is the goal of this "Red Ribbon Campaign" to involve
- 10 families, schools, businesses, churches, law enforcement agencies and service
- organizations in all aspects of this campaign, and to establish an atmosphere
- 12 that supports awareness, education and on-going initiatives to prevent illegal
- 13 drug use; and
- 14 WHEREAS, on the occasion of "Red Ribbon Campaign Week," I
- 15 Mina'Trenta Na Liheslaturan Guåhan encourages all residents to consider ways
- 16 to participate in this important effort. As we build upon the successes of the
- 17 past, we strengthen the Guam of tomorrow, and with strong resolve and
- 18 creative leadership, protect our community from the preventable dangers of
- 19 alcohol, tobacco and drug abuse; now, therefore, be it
- 20 **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina'Trenta Na*
- 21 Liheslaturan Guåhan does hereby, on behalf of I Liheslaturan Guåhan and the
- 22 people of Guam, recognize and commend the members of the Red Ribbon

- 1 Campaign Committee on the occasion of "Red Ribbon Campaign Week", on
- 2 October 23 to 31, 2010; and does further encourage the people of Guam to
- 3 support activities that raise awareness in the prevention of substance abuse,
- 4 and to wear a red ribbon during "Red Ribbon Campaign Week" in recognition
- 5 of our commitment to a healthy, drug-free lifestyle, and a drug-free Guam;
- 6 and does call upon everyone on Guam to join in the "Red Ribbon Campaign
- 7 Week" activities, and to work all year long to protect our community from the
- 8 dangers of alcohol, tobacco and drug abuse; and be it further
- 9 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on
- 10 Rules certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and
- that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to the members of the Red
- 12 Ribbon Campaign Committee; to the Honorable Madeleine Z. Bordallo,
- 13 Guam's Delegate to the United States Congress; and to the Honorable Felix P.
- 14 Camacho, I Maga'lahen Guåhan.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF *I MINA'TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* ON THE 21ST DAY OF OCTOBER, 2010.

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Speaker

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Chairperson, Committee on Rules

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Legislative Secretary