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

Resolution No. 468-30 (COR)

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Relative to congratulating the Saint Anthony Catholic School students and parents, the faculty and staff, and the many alumni who have graced the halls of this fine institution, on the commemoration of the Fiftieth (50th) Anniversary of the School's founding; and to extending a heartfelt *Un Dangkulo Na Si Yuus Ma'ase* to them for their invaluable contributions to the people of Guam.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF I

2 MINA'TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN:

- 3 WHEREAS, in September of 1960, under the leadership and vision of
- 4 Reverend Father Leon Murphy, OFM Cap., and Sister Bernadette Marie Leon

- 1 Guerrero, RSM, Saint Anthony Catholic School in *Tamuning* first opened its
- 2 doors to sixty-four (64) first grade students in only two (2) classrooms. The
- 3 School's humble beginnings were supported by the Sisters of Mercy of the
- 4 Americas, Father Vicente T. Martinez, and Sister Mary Jude, who along with
- 5 Sister Bernadette Marie Leon Guerrero, were among the two (2) pioneering
- 6 teachers of the School; and
- WHEREAS, by the time Saint Anthony Catholic School graduated its
- 8 first class in 1968, the School's excellent reputation and esteem attracted
- 9 hundreds of new students. Despite the damages caused by Super Typhoon
- 10 Karen and other calamities that plagued the island, the School continued to
- 11 expand, adding several new classrooms, a library, and a cafeteria; and
- 12 WHEREAS, Saint Anthony Catholic School continued to develop and
- 13 refine its academic, religious and extracurricular programs in order to grow
- 14 and build its students' academic and Christian character. By 1981, Saint
- 15 Anthony Catholic School was accredited by the Western Association of
- 16 Schools and Colleges (WASC), and the School continues to maintain its high
- 17 accreditation ratings to this day; and
- 18 WHEREAS, in 1995, Saint Anthony Catholic School opted to follow a
- 19 modified school calendar by implementing the Year-Round Education
- 20 Program for the Archdiocese of Agana. This successful change resulted in the
- 21 School being awarded the National "Finalist Merit School Award" for Year
- 22 Round Schools; and

1 WHEREAS, in 1996, Saint Anthony Catholic School welcomed Sister 2 Doris San Agustin, RSM, as its Principal, and under her continued leadership, major renovations and improvements to the School were made. The School 3 4 now boasts the latest technology in its thirty-two (32) classrooms, the two (2) 5 computer labs, the science lab, the library, and the gymnasium/theater. 6 Through the efforts of the current administration, the School Board, and an 7 active Parent Teacher Organization (PTO), the School will continue to see upgrades to its infrastructure to promote excellency in education and a quality 8 9 learning environment; and 10 WHEREAS, through the support of dedicated teachers, faculty, parents and benefactors in the community, Saint Anthony Catholic School has been 11 12 able to develop programs that directly benefit the students of the School, including the creation of a Scholarship Fund in 2002 by the School Board, and 13 the reactivation of the "Rainbow's For All God's Children" support program 14 for grieving children. The Faculty of the School have also been recognized for 15 their great accomplishments by the Archdiocese of Agana, and the Veterans of 16 17 Foreign Wars; and WHEREAS, as a testament to Saint Anthony Catholic School's excellent 18 19 curriculum, their students have received numerous accolades in various local,

curriculum, their students have received numerous accolades in various local, national and international programs, including the Academic Challenge Bowl; MathCounts; Math Olympiads; Spelling Bee; Geography Bee; StudenTreasures; American Scholastic Mathematics Association's Test;

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- 1 Patriot's Pen; and various Science Fairs. The students of Saint Anthony
- 2 Catholic School have also excelled in interscholastic and intramural sports,
- 3 fine arts, and numerous oratorical, essay and poster contests; and
- 4 WHEREAS, as a result of the exceptional morals and curriculum
- 5 learned at Saint Anthony Catholic School, alumni of the School have gone on
- 6 to become some of our island's most productive and successful citizens,
- 7 serving in all three (3) branches of the government of Guam, and in the
- 8 private sector. Alumni of the School include the Honorable Felix P. Camacho,
- 9 I Maga'lahen Guåhan, and various judges, attorneys, lawmakers, and
- 10 businessmen; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Saint Anthony Catholic School will continue to produce
- 12 high-caliber students by maintaining high academic achievement, within the
- 13 context of Catholic values, through its professional faculty, staff and
- 14 administration; now, therefore, be it
- 15 **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules of I Mina'Trenta Na
- 16 Liheslaturan Guåhan does hereby, on behalf of I Liheslaturan Guåhan and the
- 17 people of Guam, commend and congratulate the Saint Anthony Catholic
- 18 School students and parents, faculty and staff, and the many alumni who have
- 19 graced the halls of this fine institution, on the Fiftieth (50th) Anniversary of
- 20 the School's founding; and does further extend Un Dangkulo Na Si Yu'us
- 21 Ma'ase to them for their invaluable contributions to the people of Guam; and
- 22 be it further

RESOLVED, that the Speaker and the Chairman of the Committee of 1 2 Rules certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and 3 that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Sister Doris San Agustin, 4 RSM, Principal of Saint Anthony Catholic School; to Mrs. Cynthia Agbulos, Superintendent of Catholic Schools; to Mr. Herminio Queja, Chairman of the 5 Saint Anthony Catholic School Advisory Board; to Sister Cecilia Camacho, 6 7 RSM, Guam Mercy Administrator of the Sisters of Mercy of the Americas; to Reverend Father Joseph English, OFM Cap., Capuchin Friars; to the Most 8 9 Reverend Anthony S. Apuron, OFM Cap. D.D., Archbishop of Agana; and to

the Honorable Felix P. Camacho, I Maga'lahen Guåhan.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF I MINA TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE 19^{TH} DAY OF OCTOBER 2010.

JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D.

Speaker

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Chairperson, Committee on Rules

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