MINA'TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN 2009 (FIRST) REGULAR SESSION

Committee on Rules Resolution No. <u>4</u> (COR)

Introduced by:

R.J. RESPICIOM J.T. WON PAT, Ed.D

RELATIVE TO THE BUDGETARY ALLOCATIONS OF I MINA'TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN FOR FISCAL YEAR 2009.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES:

WHEREAS, the Committee on Rules has oversight of the business, budget, design and activities of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan*, is constituted as the policy-making body of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan*, and shall prescribe all policies governing the administration and operations of the budget of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan*, including staff organization, function, personnel requirement and rates of compensation; and

WHEREAS, the Fiscal Year 2009 Appropriations Act, P.L. 29-113, included an
appropriation to the Guam Legislature for Six Million Eight Hundred Thousand Dollars
(\$6,800,000.00) for the period of October 1, 2008 to September 30, 2009; and

WHEREAS, the amount of One Million Seven Hundred Thousand Dollars
(\$1,700,000) was allocated for the first (1st) quarter of Fiscal Year 2009 (FY09), leaving a
balance of Five Million One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$5,100,000); and

13 WHEREAS, *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* has recognized its fiscal responsibilities and 14 has taken into consideration the current economic and fiscal restraints of the 15 Government of Guam in preparing its FY2009 budget. In doing so, it is the intent of *I* 16 *Mina'Trenta Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* to expend lapse funds of the outgoing senatorial offices of *I Mina'Bente Nuebe Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* to cover any budgetary shortfalls;
 now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Committee on Rules does hereby adopt as its budget
request for the remaining nine (9) months of FY09, the sum of Five Million One
Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$5,100,000); now, therefore, be it further

6 **RESOLVED**, that based on this budget request, the following allocations shall 7 also be adopted in accordance with the Standing Rules as the adopted budget for *I* 8 *Mina'Trenta Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* for the remaining nine (9) months of FY09, subject to 9 the availability of funds, subject to further modification and amendment to this adopted 10 budget by the Committee on Rules, and subject to transfer, by the Chairperson of the 11 Committee on Rules, within any various accounts of the Guam Legislature in order to 12 ensure smooth operations:

13	Office of the Speaker	\$272,280;
14	Majority Senatorial Offices/Standing Committees	\$2,052,461;
15	Minority Senatorial Offices/Operations	\$704,295;
16	Central Operations	\$2,505,084;

17 and be it further

18 **RESOLVED**, that the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules is herein directed 19 to withhold five percent (5%) from each of the aforementioned budget allocations, 20 namely the Office of the Speaker, the Majority Senatorial Offices/Standing Committees, 21 the Minority Senatorial Offices/Operations, and Central Operations, to be placed in the 22 Central Operations Reserve Fund, subject to the disbursement of the Committee on 23 Rules; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules is further authorized to withhold a portion of the amount allocated to the Office of the Speaker, to any Majority Senatorial Office/Standing Committee and/or Minority Senatorial Office/Operations, in order to recover any monies equal to the outstanding balance
 owed to the Central Operations Fund of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan*; and be it further

RESOLVED, that each of the aforementioned budget allocations, namely the Office of the Speaker, the Majority Senatorial Offices/Standing Committees, the Minority Senatorial Offices/Operations, and Central Operations, shall be effective January 5, 2009; and be it further; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules
certify, and the Legislative Secretary attests to, the adoption hereof and that copies of
the same be thereafter transmitted to the members of the Committee on Rules of *I Mina'Trenta Na Liheslaturan Guåhan*; to the Honorable Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D., Speaker
of *I Mina'Trenta Na Liheslaturan Guåhan*; to the Honorable Benjamin J.F. Cruz, ViceSpeaker of *I Mina'Trenta Na Liheslaturan Guåhan*; to all other members of *I Mina'Trenta Na Liheslaturan Guåhan*; and to the Clerk of the Legislature.
DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED ON THIS

14 DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED ON THIS _____ DAY OF JANUARY,
15 2009.

JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D Speaker RORY J. RESPICIO Chairperson, Committee on Rules

TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES Legislative Secretary