I MINA'TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN 2009 (FIRST) Regular Session

Committee on Rules Resolution No. 38

Introduced by:

Ray Tenorio Edward J.B. Calvo

Relative to commending the Guam International Reading Association for the launch of Read-A-Thon 2009, to extend a warm Un Dångkulo Na Si Yu'us Ma'ase' to the sponsors of this annual event, and to encourage the people of Guam to support the IRA's mission to make reading a lifelong habit for young readers.

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

WHEREAS, for over twenty years, the Guam International Reading Association (IRA) has organized the largest event geared toward promoting reading with students: the Read-A-Thon; and

WHEREAS, in 2008, Four Thousand Twenty-Eight (4,028) students raised over One Hundred Thirty-Two Thousand Dollars (\$132,000) that directly funded teacher grants, author visits, books for both teachers and students, and attendance at the annual International Reading Association Convention; and

WHEREAS, the IRA has been able to secure the participation of the Guam Public School System, private schools and day care centers this year; and

WHEREAS, the goal of the 2009 Read-A-Thon is to raise at least One Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$150,000); up to Ninety-Eight Percent of that figure will directly benefit the aforementioned programs and prizes; and

WHEREAS, this year's event would not be made possible without the generous support of sponsors like the Bank of Guam, Continental Airlines Sky Team, MCV Cable Cares, and the Pacific Daily News; and

WHEREAS, the success of the Read-A-Thon is dependent on the pledges of the community; now therefore, be it

**RESOLVED,** that *I Mina'Trenta Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, commend the Guam International Reading Association for the launch of Read-A-Thon 2009; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the Legislature extends a warm *Un Dångkulo Na Si Yu'us Ma'ase'* to the sponsors of this annual event; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that *I Liheslatura* encourages the people of Guam to support the IRA's mission to make reading a lifelong habit for young readers; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the Speaker certify, and the Secretary of the Legislature attest to, the adoption hereof and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to the International Reading Association, the Bank of Guam, Continental Airlines Sky Team, MCV Cable Cares, the Pacific Daily News and to the Honorable Felix P. Camacho, *I Maga'lahen Guåhan*.

## DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY *I MINA'TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* ON THE <u>14th</u> DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2009.

Speaker

Secretary of the Legislature

RORY RESPICIO Chairman, Committee On Rules RAY TENORIO Senator and Sponsor