

**I MINA'TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
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Resolution No. 203-D (COR)

Introduced by:

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Relative to recognizing and congratulating the Guam Vet Center and all participants, sponsors and organizers on the occasion of the 7th Annual Guam Veterans' Creative Arts Showcase from November 6 – 8, 2009.

1 **BE IT RESOLVED BY I MINA'TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN:**
2 **Whereas,** the Guam Vet Center, along with its counterparts abroad are
3 community-based and a part of the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs; and
4 **Whereas,** the Vet Centers program was established by the U.S. Congress in 1979
5 to address the needs of the "Vietnam era" Veterans as they make the transition back to
6 everyday life in their respective communities; and
7 **Whereas,** the overall mission of Vet Centers is to provide the highest quality of
8 clinical and social services and positive community-based activities for Veterans, which
9 include a broad range of counseling, outreach, and referral services to eligible Veterans;
10 and
11 **Whereas,** the services of the Guam Vet Center continue to provide valuable
12 support to those who have previously served in the armed forces and those who
13 continue to do so today; and
14 **Whereas,** the Guam Vet Center provides human health and support services
15 such as readjustment counseling, marital and family counseling, substance abuse

1 information and referral, sexual trauma counseling and, community education and
2 liaison with various organizations on-island; and

3 **Whereas**, the Guam Vet Center hosts as part of its community outreach effort,
4 the Annual Guam Veterans' Creative Arts Showcase, an event which celebrates the
5 creative expression and talents of Guam Veterans; and

6 **Whereas**, the Annual Guam Veterans' Creative Arts Showcase helps promote
7 increased positive interaction between Veterans and the larger Guam community, and
8 promotes the creative arts and diverse cultural traditions of our island, as well as fosters
9 healing, closure and a sense of returning home for all Veterans, especially those who
10 have served in time of war; and

11 **Whereas**, the Guam Vet Center, with continued sponsorship from community
12 businesses and organizations, is able to successfully host an annual Guam Veterans'
13 Creative Arts Showcase; and

14 **Whereas**, the proud sponsors for this year's Creative Arts Showcase, November
15 6 – 8, 2009, are the Agaña Shopping Center and the Guam Council on the Arts and
16 Humanities Agency (CAHA); now, therefore, be it

17 **Resolved**, that *I Mina'Trenta Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of the
18 people of Guam, recognize and congratulate the Guam Vet Center on the occasion of
19 the 7th Annual Guam Veterans' Creative Arts Showcase, and all participants, and proud
20 sponsors of the event; and, be it further

21 **Resolved**, that the Speaker certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the
22 adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Ms. Cathy
23 Illarmo, Team Leader, Guam Vet Center; to Mr. Steve Reeves, Acting Regional
24 Manager, Readjustment Counseling Service, Pacific Western Region 4B, U.S.
25 Department of Veterans Affairs; to Ms. Tes Reyes, Assistant General Manager and
26 Marketing Director, Agaña Shopping Center; to Mr. Patrick Bamba, Executive Director,
27 Guam Council on the Arts and Humanities Agency; to the Honorable Madeleine Z.
28 Bordallo, Guam Delegate to U.S. Congress; and to the Honorable Felix P. Camacho, *I*
29 *Maga'lahaen Guåhan*.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY *I MINA'TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN*
GUÅHAN ON THE ____ DAY OF NOVEMBER 2009.

JUDITH T. WON PAT
Speaker

TINA ROSE MUÑA-BARNES
Legislative Secretary