

MINA'TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
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Resolution No. 344-30 (LS)

Introduced by:

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Relative to observing "*Doctors' Day*" on March 25, 2010 and being celebrated this year on April 29, 2010, and to commend the medical staff of Guam Memorial Hospital Authority and all licensed physicians on Guam for their dedication and endeavors in ensuring the people of Guam are afforded the best health care possible.

1 BE IT RESOLVED BY I MINA'TRENTA NA L IHESLATURAN
2 GUÅHAN:

3 WHEREAS, "*Doctors' Day*" was established in commemoration of
4 the memorable day in 1842 when Dr. Crawford W. Long discovered and
5 utilized Ether to anesthetize patients, making him the first doctor to
6 perform painless surgery; and

7 WHEREAS, "*Doctors' Day*" is observed annually nationwide on
8 March 25th and is being celebrated on April 29, 2010, and is a day in which
9 physicians are recognized and honored for the profound role that they
10 perform in the well-being of their patients; and

11 WHEREAS, seventy-five (75) years ago, "*Doctors' Day*" was
12 established on Guam in observance of physicians who have devoted their
13 lives to the health and well-being of our Island community; and

1 **WHEREAS,** Guam saw its first Chamorro civilian doctor, Mr.
2 Ramon Manalisay Sablan, who through his efforts and others, laid the path
3 to promote the profession of medicine on our island; and

4 **WHEREAS,** in an effort to improve patient care on Guam, doctors at
5 Guam Memorial Hospital Authority (GMHA) assiduously seek to upgrade
6 their skills and enhance their knowledge of the advances made in medical
7 science and technology; and

8 **WHEREAS,** in their concern with the delivery of health care services
9 to the people of Guam, GMHA doctors partake in discussions and
10 participate in the development of health policy issues by serving as
11 members on various organizations including the Guam Medical Society,
12 Guam Licensing Boards, Community Task Forces, and Blue Ribbon
13 Committees; and

14 **WHEREAS,** representing twenty-five (25) specialties and
15 subspecialties , the one hundred fifty (150) doctors of GMHA spend
16 countless, uncompensated hours in multidisciplinary departmental and
17 committee meetings in order to assist the Hospital in attaining
18 accreditation; and

19 **WHEREAS,** the physicians of the GMHA also actively work to shape
20 public policy, perform volunteer work and are committed to various forms
21 of community service; and

22 **WHEREAS,** in an effort to enhance patient care services , the medical
23 staff of GMHA have been instrumental in the implementation of quality

1 assurance and improvement plans at the Hospital, thus, providing clinical
2 direction and leadership; and

3 **WHEREAS**, in deference to the myriad of contributions made to the
4 health, welfare and betterment of our island community, recognition and
5 commendation are in order; now, therefore be it

6 **RESOLVED**, that *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of the
7 people of Guam, recognize the professionalism of the medical staff of
8 Guam Memorial Hospital Authority (GMHA); and be it further

9 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker certifies and the Legislative Secretary
10 attests to the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter
11 transmitted to the PeterJohn Camacho, GMHA Administrator; Dr. Thomas
12 Shieh, President-Elect, Guam Medical Association; Dr. Patrick Santos,
13 President, Guam Medical Association; Dr. Sam Friedman, President, Guam
14 Medical Society; Dr. Vincent Dueñas, President, GMHA Medical Staff; and
15 to the Honorable Felix P. Camacho, *I Maga' Låhen Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY I MINA'TRENTA NA
LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE _____ DAY OF APRIL 2010.**

Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D.
Speaker

Tina Rose Muña Barnes
Senator and
Secretary of the Legislature