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

Resolution No.  $458^{30}$  (COR)

Introduced by:

ATURAN GUÅHAN Ilar Session Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D. T. R. Muna Barnes Judith P. Guthertz, DPA

**RELATIVE TO PROCLAIMING THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 23 - 31,** 2010 AS "RED RIBBON CAMPAIGN WEEK" AND TO **ENCOURAGE THE PEOPLE OF GUAM TO SUPPORT ACTIVITIES** THAT RAISE AWARENESS AND ENCOURAGE PREVENTION OF SUBSTANCE ABUSE AND TO CALL UPON EVERY RESIDENT TO WEAR Α RED RIBBON THROUGHOUT THE WEEK IN **RECOGNITION OF THEIR COMMITMENT TO A HEALTHY,** DRUG-FREE LIFESTYLE AND OUR COMMITMENT TO A DRUG-FREE GUAM.

## 1 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF I

2 MINA'TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN:

WHEREAS, alcohol and other drug abuse in our island and the Nation has reached epidemic proportions, as an Island community, we value the health and safety of all our citizens especially Guam's youth. Today, we face many challenges as we try to protect our teenagers from the ongoing battle of substance abuse; and

WHEREAS, substance abuse, either through the use of drugs or alcohol, not
 only has a negative effect on individuals, families, businesses, and schools, it is also a
 contributing factor in the three leading causes of death among adolescence –

#### 1 accidents, homicides, suicide; and

WHEREAS, the "Red Ribbon Campaign" started when drug traffickers in Mexico City murdered Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) agent Enrique "Kiki" Camarena, in 1985. Friends and neighbors wore Red badges of satin signifying his honor and to show that they will continue to fight the crimes against illegal drugs. The mission of the Red Ribbon Campaign is to present a unified and visible commitment towards the creation of a DRUG-FREE AMERICA; and

8 WHEREAS, recognizing the seriousness of this threat, the National Family 9 Partnership initiated the first "Red Ribbon Campaign" in 1986. This grassroots 10 effort emphasized education and the importance of instructing children, teenagers, 11 families, and communities about the dangers of drug and alcohol use. It is now the 12 oldest and largest drug prevention program in the nation reaching millions of young 13 people, families, and communities during the week. Since then, significant progress 14 has been made in reducing drug and alcohol abuse among Guam's young adults; and

WHEREAS, with this year's theme "I AM DRUG FREE" some of this year's 15 activities include a 5K Run/Walk, a Poster Contest, a Poetry/Rap Contest, a School 16 17 Gate Decorating Contest, Red Ribbon Waves in Northern, Central and Southern Guam, a "Say Boo to Drugs" Community Event, Education (School) Outreaches, as 18 well as numerous print, TV and radio media events. These events are made possible 19 by the Red Ribbon Committee comprised of the U.S. Drug Enforcement 20 Administration, Guam Chamber of Commerce, Guam National Guard Counterdrug 21 Program, Judiciary of Guam - Juvenile Drug Court, District Court of Guam, U.S. 22 Attorney's Office, U.S. Probation Office, Guam Police Department, Guam 23 Department of Education, Department of Defense Educational Activities, Guam Fire 24 25 Department, Department of Corrections, Department of Youth Affairs, the Governor's PEACE Project, Sanctuary Incorporated, Island Girl Power, Youth for Youth Live! 26

Guam, Joint Region Marianas, U.S. Naval Base Guam, U.S. Naval Hospital, USS 1 2 Frank Cable (AS-40), Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse, Big Brothers Big Sisters of Guam, Firefighters Organization for Activities and Morale, 3 Advance Management, Inc., Agana Shopping Center, Guam Premier Outlets, Tango, 4 Inc. dba: Micronesia Mall and Stadium Theaters, Hollywood Theaters-Guam 5 Megaplex Cinemas, Sorensen Media Group, KIJI FM 104.3, KUAM, Marianas 6 Variety, the Pacific Daily News, Island Time Magazine, Office of the Governor, I 7 Mina'trenta Na Liheslaturan Guåhan - Committee on Education, and the Mayors' 8 Council of Guam. This awareness effort, aimed at Guam's community, will 9 concentrate on promoting healthy choices and lifestyles that are both drug and 10 violence free; and 11

WHEREAS, it is the goal of this "*Red Ribbon Campaign*" to involve families, schools, business, churches, law enforcement agencies and service organizations in all aspects of this campaign and establish an atmosphere that supports awareness, education and on-going initiatives to prevent illegal drug use; and

WHEREAS, on the occasion of "*Red Ribbon Week*," *I Mina'trenta Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* encourages all residents to consider ways to participate in this important effort. As we build upon the successes of the past, we strengthen the Guam of tomorrow, and with strong resolve and creative leadership, protect our community from the preventable dangers of alcohol, tobacco and other drug abuse; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that *I Mina'trenta Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby request *I Maga'lahen Guåhan* to proclaim the week of October 23 – 31, 2010 as "*Red Ribbon Campaign Week*" and to encourage the people of Guam to support activities that raise
 awareness and encourage prevention of substance abuse; and be it further

26 **RESOLVED**, that *I Mina'trenta Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby call

upon every resident to wear a red ribbon throughout the week in recognition of their
commitment to a healthy, drug-free lifestyle and our commitment to a drug-free
Guam; and be it further

4 **RESOLVED,** that *I Mina'trenta Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby urge all 5 citizens to join in the week's activities and to work all year long to protect our 6 community from the dangers of alcohol, tobacco and other drugs; and be it further

**RESOLVED,** that the Speaker and the Chairman of the Committee on Rules
certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof and that copies of
the same be thereafter transmitted to the members of the Red Ribbon Campaign
Committee; to the Mayors' Council of Guam, to the Honorable Madeleine Z.
Bordallo, Guam's Delegate to the United States Congress; and to the Honorable Felix
P. Camacho, *I Maga'låhen Guåhan*.

# DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE OF RULES OF *I MINA' TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* ON THE \_\_\_\_ DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2010.

Judith T. Won Pat, E.d.D. Speaker Rory J. Respicio Chairperson, Committee of Rules

Tina Rose Muna Barnes Legislative Secretary



## OFFICE OF THE SPEAKER I MINA' TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN | 30<sup>th</sup> GUAM LEGISLATURE JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D.

October 5, 2010

### MEMORANDUM

To: All Senators

From: Speaker Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D.

RE: Notice of Presentation of Resolution No. \_\_\_\_ (COR)

Please join me in presenting *Resolution No. \_\_\_\_\_ (COR)* relative to proclaiming the week of October 23-31, 2010 as "*Red Ribbon Campaign Week*" and to encourage the people of Guam to support activities that raise awareness and encourage prevention of substance abuse and to call upon every resident to wear a red ribbon throughout the week in recognition of their commitment to a healthy, drug-free lifestyle and our commitment to a drug-free Guam.

The resolution will be presented on Saturday, October 23, 2010 at 11:00 a.m. at the Guam Premier Outlets (GPO) Food Court.

cc: Clerk's Office Protocol Sergeant-at-Arms All Media