I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN 2011 (FIRST) Regular Session

Resolution No. 43-31 (COR)

Introduced by:

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Relative to recognizing and commending the Administration, Faculty, Staff, Parents and Students of the Guam Department of Education for their ongoing efforts to create a positive learning environment; for the key role they play in promoting excellence in education and ensuring a brighter and stronger future for Guam; and on the observance of the week of March 14 through March 19, 2011, as "Public Schools Week: Our Commitment to Excellence".

1 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF *I* 2 *MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN:*

WHEREAS, the Guam Department of Education, a single unified school district consisting of grades Kindergarten through Twelve (12), serves over thirty thousand (30,000) students in twenty-seven (27) elementary schools, eight (8) middle schools, five (5) high schools, and an alternative school; and

WHEREAS, parent and community involvement is a significant factor in the
quality of our schools and the success of our students; and

9 WHEREAS, the goal of "Public Schools Week" is for schools to showcase an 10 appreciation of its diverse cultures, and to promote a positive relationship amongst 11 each other; and

WHEREAS, "Public Schools Week" is also intended to build unity among
schools, families, students, and other members of the community; and

WHEREAS, our schools and students on Guam will celebrate the week-long event with daily themed activities, exhibits and displays showcasing student accomplishments and performances; and

WHEREAS, school leaders depend on and stand together in commending the network of support for school communities, which includes the Guam Education Board, elected officials, businesses, community and faith-based organizations, and community members-at-large, in promoting constant student achievement and school success; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina'Trentai Unu Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the people of Guam, congratulate the Administration, Faculty, Staff, Parents and Students of the Guam Department of Education on the observance of the week of March 14 through March 19, 2011, as "Public Schools Week: Our Commitment to Excellence"; and does further commend the Schools, Students, Parents, and Teachers on Guam for their ongoing contributions to education, and for the key role they play in promoting excellence in education, and ensuring a brighter and stronger future for Guam; and be it further

5 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules 6 certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of 7 the same be thereafter transmitted to Dr. Nerissa Bretania Underwood, Superintendent 8 of Education, Guam Department of Education; to the Guam Education Board; and to 9 the Honorable Edward J.B. Calvo, *I Maga 'lahen Guåhan*.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF *I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* ON 14TH THE DAY OF MARCH 2011.

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