

I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN
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Resolution No. 78-31 (COR)

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Relative to recognizing and commending the Judiciary of Guam, the U.S. District Court of Guam, and the Guam Bar Association for their outstanding dedication and commitment in the promotion and advocacy of justice and equality for the people of Guam; and to further extending *Un Dangkolo Na Si Yu'os Ma'åse'* to them for the tremendous service they are providing to the island community as we join them in the celebration of Law Week 2011, from April 25 through May 1, 2011, and the commemoration of the Fifty Third (53rd) Nationwide Anniversary of Law Day.

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

3 **WHEREAS**, Law Day has been designated as a wonderful occasion for the
4 recognition and celebration of our nation's great heritage of liberty, justice and
5 equality under the law; and

6 **WHEREAS**, a viable and lively democracy requires the understanding of the
7 nature and basis of the freedom that every American citizen enjoys today, and the
8 acknowledgement of the tremendous responsibility each individual has in the
9 representation of these freedoms; and

10 **WHEREAS**, Law Day provides an opportunity to celebrate the U. S.
11 Constitution and the laws that protect our rights and liberties, and to recognize our
12 responsibility as individual citizens to uphold the values of a free and just society for
13 all; and

14 **WHEREAS**, in 1958, Law Day was established and proclaimed by President
15 Dwight D. Eisenhower, and was reaffirmed through a Joint Resolution by Members of
16 the U. S. Congress in 1961; and

17 **WHEREAS**, all citizens, both young and old, should understand their
18 individual rights and responsibilities under the law to become effective and active
19 participants in our nation's civil life, and positive contributors in society; and

20 **WHEREAS**, Law Day is celebrated annually on May 1st as a special day of
21 celebration by the people of Guam and the nation, to join in the appreciation of every
22 citizen's liberties, and to provide a unique time for a reflection and rededication of the
23 ideals of equality and justice for all under the laws of the land; and

24 **WHEREAS**, the theme of Law Week 2011 is "**The Legacy of John Adams:**
25 **from Boston to Guantanamo**", which encourages individuals to reflect upon a

1 particular time in history which has contributed tremendously towards the formulation
2 of laws that protect the interests of the general public; and

3 **WHEREAS**, Law Week 2011 will provide the people of Guam and the legal
4 community with a chance to understand and appreciate the many challenges and
5 opportunities that have confronted the legal community in the past, and that continue
6 to confront the legal community today, and to consider the transformation of the
7 justice system and the many programs that continue to support the island community;
8 and

9 **WHEREAS**, during the course of Law Week 2011, and through the collective
10 efforts of the Guam Bar Association, the Judiciary of Guam, and the U.S. District
11 Court of Guam, numerous events and presentations have been scheduled that will
12 highlight the activities and services available within Guam's legal community for the
13 benefit of Guam's citizens, to include: Community Outreach Programs; the State of
14 the Judiciary Address; Local and Federal Courthouse Tours; the Swearing-in
15 Ceremony for newly admitted Guam Bar members; the Fairy Tale Mock Trials by our
16 island's youth; the Presentation of the *Hustisia* Award; the Naturalization Ceremony
17 and the Citizen Outreach Programs at the U.S. District Court of Guam; the Law Day
18 Art and Essay Contest; short seminars on a variety of topics from domestic to criminal
19 matters; and the Law Fair at the Micronesia Mall; now, therefore, be it

20 **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina'Trentai Unu Na*
21 *Lihe slaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Lihe slaturan Guåhan* and the people
22 of Guam, recognize and commend the Judiciary of Guam, the U.S. District Court of
23 Guam, and the Guam Bar Association for the tremendous service that our legal
24 community has provided, and continues to provide to all the people of Guam; and
25 does further extend a warmhearted *Un Dångkolo Na Si Yu'os Ma'åse'* and expresses
26 gratitude and appreciation to all our law practitioners, judges, and support personnel

1 within Guam’s outstanding legal community, who continue to promote the proper and
2 timely enforcement and interpretation of the law, and as the Guam community joins
3 the nation in the national celebration of the Fifty Third (53rd) Anniversary of “Law
4 Day” on May 1, 2011, and in the commemoration of Law Week 2011, from April 25
5 through May 1, 2011, with the unique theme of “**The Legacy of John Adams: from**
6 **Boston to Guantanamo**”; and be it further

7 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules
8 certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of
9 the same be thereafter transmitted to the Honorable F. Phillip Carbullido, Chief
10 Justice, Judiciary of Guam; to the Honorable Frances Tydingco-Gatewood, Chief
11 Judge, U.S. District Court of Guam; to the President of the Guam Bar Association;
12 and to 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 THE 21ST DAY OF
APRIL 2011.**



JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D.
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