

I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
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Resolution No. 149-31 (COR)

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Relative to recognizing and commending the Guam Homeless Coalition, and to further extending a warm *Un Dângkolo Na Si Yu'os Ma'åse'* to them for their selfless dedication and service to the people of Guam.

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

3 **WHEREAS,** the Guam Homeless Coalition was created with the mission to
4 stay committed to the provision of housing and supportive services for individuals and
5 families who become homeless; and

1 **WHEREAS**, the Guam Homeless Coalition believes and recognizes that
2 quality housing should be tailored to meet the needs of the homeless individual and
3 families; and

4 **WHEREAS**, the vision of the Guam Homeless Coalition is to ensure that
5 homeless individuals and families regain housing stability through the expansion and
6 implementation of a comprehensive community-based housing delivery system to
7 prevent and to end homelessness; and

8 **WHEREAS**, the organization carries out this vision by: coordinating and/or
9 integrating homeless-related programs for smooth transition throughout our
10 continuum of care system; implementing an effective and efficient delivery system of
11 services to prevent homelessness and to move homeless families into permanent
12 housing; developing an accessible and comprehensive system which receives
13 individuals and families in need of care and moves them through a system toward
14 independent living and sustainability; and developing strong homeless programs and
15 services with sustainable links; and

16 **WHEREAS**, to address the growing demand for homeless services, the Guam
17 Homeless Coalition, through its lead agency, the Guam Housing & Urban Renewal
18 Authority (GHURA), searched for and applied for funding; and

19 **WHEREAS**, in December 2000, Guam became the first U.S. Territory to
20 receive Continuum of Care funds for the homeless from the U.S. Department of
21 Housing and Urban Development, to implement new shelter programs for the
22 homeless; and

23 **WHEREAS**, the Guam Homeless Coalition is comprised of government
24 agencies, non-profit organizations, and the private sector, that come together for the
25 purpose of responding to the needs of homeless youth, families, and single adults; and

1 **WHEREAS**, Guam Homeless Coalition members include the organizations
2 that operate shelters for homeless youth, families and single adults, and mainstream
3 agencies that provide supportive services; and

4 **WHEREAS**, with the help of these members, the Guam Homeless Coalition
5 has been able to make a significant positive impact on the island community by
6 addressing the issue of homelessness; and

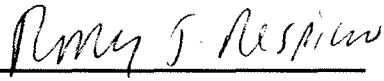
7 **WHEREAS**, the Guam Homeless Coalition conducts various activities and
8 sponsors programs to help combat homelessness; and

9 **WHEREAS**, the Guam Homeless Coalition takes the lead role in the annual
10 homeless count around the island to collect data that is used by homeless service
11 providers, the community, and policymakers in developing programs and facilities to
12 assist and benefit our homeless population; now therefore, be it

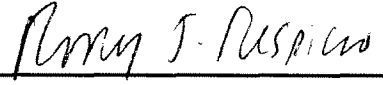
13 **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina'Trentai Unu Na*
14 *Lihe slaturan Guåhan*, does hereby, on behalf of *I Lihe slaturan Guåhan* and the
15 people of Guam, extend a sincere *Un Dångkolo Na Si Yu'os Ma'åse'* to the Guam
16 Homeless Coalition and all its members, for their hard work and dedication to ensure
17 that the homelessness among the island is ended; and be it further

18 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules
19 certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of
20 the same be thereafter transmitted to the Guam Homeless Coalition; and to the
21 Honorable Edward J.B. Calvo, *I Maga'lahaen Guåhan*.

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



RORY J. RESPICIO
Acting Speaker



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