

I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
2012 (SECOND) Regular Session

Resolution No. 335-31 (LS)

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Relative to commending and congratulating Ms. Amber K. Castro for her accomplishments as a member of the winning team in the Association of Government Accountants Fifth (5th) Annual Government Finance Case Challenge; and to further extending *Un Dângkolo Na Si Yu'os Ma'åse'* to her for her contributions to the community.

- 1 **BE IT RESOLVED BY *I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN***
2 ***GUÅHAN*:**
3 **WHEREAS, *I Liheslaturan Guåhan*, through the adoption of Resolution No.**
4 **308-31 (LS), recognized and commended the Association of Government Accountants**

1 (AGA) for its contributions in the field of accounting across our country and our
2 island; including the recognition of the AGA Citizen-Centric Government Reporting
3 Initiative, which was launched a few years ago with the intent to foster an innovative
4 means of communication between governments and their citizenry; and

5 **WHEREAS**, on October 20, 2011, the AGA National kicked-off their Fifth
6 (5th) Annual Government Finance Case Challenge, inviting the best undergraduate
7 accounting/financial management/business students in the country to compete.
8 Student teams were to collaboratively analyze and offer a written response to a case
9 centered on creating a U.S. city government Citizen-Centric Report (CCR); and

10 **WHEREAS**, University of Guam (UOG) Accounting Professor Dr. Doreen
11 Crisostomo formed a four (4) member student team from her Fall 2011 BA401
12 “Government Accounting” class, of which Ms. Amber K. Castro was a member.
13 Under the guidance of Dr. Crisostomo, the team of Castro, Ms. Ruren G. Clemente,
14 Mr. Garry K. Yeoh, and Mr. Edward E. Brobesong entered into the AGA National’s
15 competition to prepare a citizen-centric report for the city of Alexandria, Virginia, to
16 include a paper that summarizes the criteria and the justification the team used to
17 decide what information to include and exclude in the performance report; and

18 **WHEREAS**, the UOG team of Castro, Clemente Yeoh, and Brobesong
19 successfully placed as one (1) of the top three (3) finalist teams, along with Old
20 Dominion University, and the University of North Carolina at Pembroke; and

21 **WHEREAS**, all finalist teams were awarded scholarships to attend the AGA’s
22 Tenth (10th) Annual National Leadership Conference in Washington, D.C., which the
23 UOG team accepted; and

24 **WHEREAS**, *I Liheslaturan Guåhan*, through the adoption of Resolution No.
25 308-31 (LS), recognized, commended, and offered its best wishes to the UOG team,
26 which attended the Conference from February 16-17, 2012; and

1 **WHEREAS**, all three (3) finalist teams presented their finalized solutions on
2 February 16, 2012, before a panel of judges and conference attendees, comprised of
3 federal, state and local government leaders; corporate partners; and chief financial
4 officers; and

5 **WHEREAS**, on February 17, 2012, the judges' selection was announced, and
6 the UOG team was selected as this year's Case Challenge winners; and in addition to
7 the honor and recognition of holding the position as this year's winning team, each
8 member of the team will also receive a cash prize and a free one (1) year AGA
9 membership; and

10 **WHEREAS**, the AGA followed through on its promise that this experience
11 would challenge students' moral reasoning, raise their awareness of the importance of
12 government accountability, and open doors to a future career in government; and

13 **WHEREAS**, Ms. Castro, her teammates, and their advisor, followed through
14 on their promise to work their hardest and try their best, for themselves, for our
15 university and for our island; now therefore, be it

16 **RESOLVED**, that *I Mina'Trentai Unu Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby,
17 on behalf of the people of Guam, commend and congratulate Ms. Amber K. Castro for
18 her accomplishments as a member of the University of Guam's winning team in the
19 Association of Government Accountants Fifth (5th) Annual Government Finance Case
20 Challenge; and does further extend *Un Dangkolo Na Si Yu'os Ma'åse'* to Ms. Castro
21 for her contributions to our community by way of her positive representation of our
22 island, which extends farther than our boundaries and puts Guam on the map, as is
23 evidenced by her team's accomplishments at this competition held in the nation's
24 Capitol; and be it further

25 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to,
26 the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Ms.

- 1 Amber Castro, Student Member, AGA Government Finance Case Challenge UOG
- 2 Winning Team; to Dr. Anita Borja Enriquez, Dean of the School of Business and
- 3 Public Administration, University of Guam; and to the Honorable Edward J.B. Calvo,
- 4 *I Maga'lahren Guåhan.*

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY *I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* ON THE 27TH DAY OF FEBRUARY 2012.



JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D.
Speaker



TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES
Legislative Secretary