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

Resolution No. 339-31 (LS)

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Relative to recognizing and congratulating the Students, Alumni, Faculty, Staff, President, and Board of Regents of the University of Guam (UOG) on the observance of the University of Guam 2012 Charter Day celebration, and its Sixtieth (60th) Year Anniversary; and to further recognizing and commending the UOG 2012 Charter Day Committee members for their excellent work in continuing the traditional annual celebration of this auspicious and historic event.

BE IT RESOLVED BY I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN

2 **GUÅHAN**:

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WHEREAS, the University of Guam (UOG), a land grant institution, will be celebrating its Sixtieth (60th) Year Anniversary throughout the year 2012, and will observe its Charter Day on March 13, 2012; and

WHEREAS, the University of Guam (UOG) began as the Territorial College of Guam, which was founded in 1952 as a two (2)-year teacher training institution within the Department of Education offering Associate of Arts degree programs in elementary education and liberal arts, and non-credit courses in vocational education. It was located at the former George Washington High School campus in *Mongmong*, and it initially received accreditation in 1959 for three (3) years as a junior college. In 1961, the College relocated to its present one hundred (100)-acre campus overlooking *Pago Bay* in *Mangilao*, and became a four (4)-year degree granting institution; and

WHEREAS, the Territorial College of Guam was renamed to the "University of Guam" by the Ninth (9th) Guam Legislature after being accredited for the maximum period by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC) in 1968. The University offered both undergraduate and graduate programs to its students, and it obtained land grant status on June 23, 1972 through U.S. Congressional Action with the passage of U.S. Public Law 92-318; and

WHEREAS, UOG administrative autonomy was granted on October 4, 1976, with the enactment of Public Law 13-194, "The Higher Education Act of 1976," which became effective on November 3, 1976. The Act, with subsequent amendments, established the University as a non-membership, non-profit corporation under the control and operation of a nine (9)-member Board of Regents appointed by *I Maga'lahi* (the Governor), with the advice and consent of *I Liheslatura* (the Legislature); and

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WHEREAS, since its inception in 1952, close to thirteen thousand (13,000) students from Guam, the Pacific region, and the world have received their undergraduate and graduate degrees from the University. UOG's record of service to

- 1 the people of the Micronesian region, whether it is in coral reef research, service to
- 2 individuals with disabilities, on-site degree programs, or outreach through
- 3 communications networks, which includes daily reports to the small isolated islands
- 4 of our region, is unmatched; and
- 5 WHEREAS, the University of Guam's first Charter Day was proclaimed on
- 6 December 17, 1968, by the Honorable Manuel F.L. Guerrero, Governor of Guam,
- 7 through Executive Order 74-09; and
- 8 **WHEREAS**, the year 2012 marks the Sixtieth (60th) Year Anniversary of the
- 9 founding of the University of Guam, and the Forty-fourth (44th) Charter Day
- 10 celebration; and
- 11 WHEREAS, the University of Guam, in its quest to maintain its tradition of
- 12 excellence, continues to contribute to the island and the region's social, cultural,
- 13 political, and economic advancement; and
- 14 WHEREAS, the theme for this year's 2012 Charter Day: "Celebrating the Triton
- 15 Spirit," highlights the University's critical role in the development of the island and the
- 16 region over the past sixty (60) years, and its continuing mission for the next sixty (60)
- 17 years; and
- 18 WHEREAS, the UOG 2012 Charter Day activities will showcase Guam's rich
- 19 cultural, social, educational, and recreational activities with all the people of Guam and
- 20 Micronesia invited to its Mangilao campus; and
- WHEREAS, the President of the University has appointed the 2012 Charter Day
- 22 Committee to organize this year's activities, whose membership includes: David Okada,
- 23 Chairperson; and Committee Members, Norman Analista, Bennet Chargualaf, Joanne
- 24 Diego, Janet Dirige, Swingly Dismas, Pamela Eastlick, Joe Fernandez, Dr. Lourdes
- 25 Ferrer, Herb Garcia, Pamela Garcia, Norma Guevarra, John Howerton, Dr. Venus
- 26 Ibarra, Chris Mabayag, Troy McVey, Mark Mendiola, Cathleen Moore-Linn, Carlene

- 1 Okiyama, Bill Palomo, Perry Pangelinan, Robert Paulino, Dr. Yvette Paulino, Dave
- 2 Quintanilla, Zander Refilong, Yoichi Rengiil, Jesse Rosario, Joe Rouse, Diana Sablan,
- 3 Dr. Marilyn Salas, Dr. Michelle Santos, Eloisa Silverio, Therese Terlaje, Louise Toves,
- 4 Frank Troy, Elvie Tyler, Dr. Julie Ulloa-Heath, Suzanne Wilkins, and Velma
- 5 Yamashita; now therefore, be it
- 6 **RESOLVED,** that *I Mina'Trentai Unu Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on
- 7 behalf of the people of Guam, recognize and congratulate the Students, Alumni,
- 8 Faculty, Staff, President, and Board of Regents of the University of Guam on the
- 9 observance of the University of Guam 2012 Charter Day celebration, and on the
- 10 occasion of the UOG Sixtieth (60th) Year Anniversary; and does further commend the
- 11 members of the UOG 2012 Charter Day Committee for their work in continuing the
- 12 traditional annual celebration of this auspicious and historic event; and be it further
- 13 **RESOLVED,** that the Speaker certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to,
- 14 the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Mr. Jesse
- 15 J. Quenga, President, UOG Student Government Association; to Dr. Robert A.
- 16 Underwood, President of the University of Guam; to Mr. P. Sonny Ada, Chairman of
- the UOG Board of Regents; and to the Honorable Edward J.B. Calvo, *I Maga'lahen*
- 18 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

FINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES

Legislative Secretary