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

Resolution No. 403-31 (LS)

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Relative to recognizing and congratulating *Guma' Mami*, Inc., for thirty-one (31) years of commitment to providing invaluable community-based services to persons with disabilities on Guam; and to further commending those individuals and agencies that have impacted and have been engaged in improving services for persons with disabilities.

BE IT RESOLVED BY I MINA'TRENTAL UNU NA LIHESLATURAN

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- 3 WHEREAS, in May of 2012, Guma' Mami, Inc., a distinguished and
- 4 recognized non-profit corporation, is celebrating thirty-one (31) years of service

excellence and commitment to the island of Guam, and of being a vital service provider that is dedicated to serving Guam's residents with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Directors and employees of *Guma' Mami*, Inc.,

have shown their commitment to providing a wide range of direct care and

invaluable human services, to include stimulating dialogue for public policy

direction, other system change activities and advocacy, and technical consultation;

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WHEREAS, *Guma' Mami*, Inc., has touched the lives of numerous residents with disabilities throughout Guam, and they have contributed to the depth of quality care for persons with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, *Guma' Mami*, Inc., will pay tribute to persons with disabilities, their families, its Board of Directors and staff, during the celebration of *Guma' Mami* Month, from May 1 to May 31, 2012; and

WHEREAS, this year's theme, "Guma' Mami, Inc. – Celebrating Abilities" intends to display the appreciation of the individual strengths and commitment of the individuals and their families to enhance the abilities of people with disabilities, and the desire to embrace integration and inclusion; and

WHEREAS, the "Guma' Mami, Inc. – Celebrating Abilities" theme intends to focus on the promotion of skills and knowledge within the Guma' Mami Board, staff, consumers and family members through various learning opportunities; and

WHEREAS, Guma' Mami, Inc., will kick off its thirty-first (31st) year anniversary celebration with a variety of activities, including a meeting of the General Membership; the Creative Spirits Art by Persons with Disabilities Exhibit; Maila Halom – Open House; and Guma' Mami AmeriCorps – "Growing our Own Celebration"; and

WHEREAS, these events will also provide valuable opportunities to educate the community on the strengths and abilities of individuals with disabilities

and family members in our community, and to facilitate the ongoing process for the promotion of excellence and quality of care; and

WHEREAS, in addition, these activities celebrate the organization's dedication and commitment to serving and supporting people with disabilities; they highlight the organization's ability to serve as a leader in the forefront of progressive social change in the field of disabilities; and allow the community to show gratitude to *Guma' Mami*, Inc., for its generous efforts in advocating and improving the services for people with disabilities; now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that *I Mina' Trentai Unu Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, recognize and congratulate *Guma' Mami*, Inc. for thirty-one (31) years of commitment to providing invaluable community-based services to persons with disabilities on Guam; and does further commend those individuals and agencies that have impacted and have been engaged in improving services for persons with disabilities; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Speaker certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to *Guma' Mami*, Inc.; and to the Honorable Edward J.B. Calvo, *I Maga'lahen Guåhan*.

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

JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D. Speaker

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Legislative Secretary