


**I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
2011 (FIRST) REGULAR SESSION**

2011 MAY 23
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Resolution No. 115-31 (cor)

Introduced by:

A.A. Yamashita, PhD 

**RELATIVE TO COMMENDING THE UNIVERSITY OF
GUAM, SCHOOL OF EDUCATION MASTER OF ARTS IN
TEACHING PROGRAM, PROGRAM CHAIR DR. JOHN
SANCHEZ, AND THE FIRST GRADUATES OF THE
MASTERS OF ARTS IN TEACHING PROGRAM.**

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

3 **WHEREAS,** the teaching profession continues to be a crucial
4 component of the foundation of our democratic society;

5 **WHEREAS,** the shifting landscape of families, economics, schooling,
6 and societal norms influences the required competencies and attitudes of
7 the teaching profession;

8 **WHEREAS,** higher education across the globe has implemented
9 relevant, meaningful programs that meet these shifts in a profession that
10 continues to address recruitment and retention challenges;

11 **WHEREAS,** The University of Guam, School of Education Masters
12 of Arts in Teaching is one such program;

13 **WHEREAS,** the Masters of Arts in Teaching program prepares
14 candidates with an undergraduate degree in other fields for the world of
15 teaching as certified secondary classroom teachers;

16 **WHEREAS,** Dr. John Sanchez initiated this program when he
17 developed and implemented an accelerated certification program also
18 known as Fast Track in 2007 and field-tested this alternative method of

1 teacher preparation for those professionals seeking a career change over
2 a 3 year period resulting in the certification of teachers in secondary
3 education.

4 **WHEREAS**, Dr. John Sanchez used this knowledge and experience
5 in the Fast Track program to create the Master of Arts in Teaching which
6 met the same certification goal, but also permitted the graduates to obtain
7 a master's degree which focused upon theory, pedagogy, research, and
8 practicum in issues relevant to the 21st Century such as technology and
9 diversity;

10 **WHEREAS**, as three cohorts completed the certification program
11 since its inception in October 2009, we celebrate the first cohort of 24
12 teachers who have completed the Master of Arts in Teaching program in
13 May 2011; now, therefore, be it

14 **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules, on behalf of *I*
15 *Mina'trentai Unu Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the people of Guam does
16 hereby, recognize, commend and thank Dr. John Sanchez, Program Chair
17 for the Masters in Arts in Teaching program, for his leadership in the
18 development and implementation of this innovative teacher preparation
19 program; and be it further

20 **RESOLVED**, that the graduates of the first graduating cohort of
21 the Masters of Arts in Teaching - Hedi Frieders, Roy Ausec, Evelyn V.
22 Caraig, Gemma Vi Doculan, Catherine Erne, Denise Sulla Mathews, Lorena
23 Morgan, Martina J. Nelson, Gloria P. Obias, Yvonne Patnude, Flora-Rose
24 Paulino, Frankie Perez, Ellen A. Petra, Karrie Runles, Juan P. Serrano,
25 Catherine B. Techaira, Sheena Unangst, Erika Becht Dooley, Clint
26 Gianchand , Sabina F. Perez, Sung Yul Kim, Ervin Santiago, Amanda G.

1 Sanchez Wooley, Maria Christina R. Diaz, be commended for their
2 commitment to building the future of our island; and be it further
3 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the
4 Committee on Rules certify, and the Secretary of the Legislature attests to,
5 the adoption hereof and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted
6 to Dr. John Sanchez and to the Honorable Edward Baza Calvo, *I*
7 *Maga'lahaen Guåhan.*

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

JUDITH T. WON PAT, ED.D.
Speaker

RORY J. RESPICIO
Chairperson, Committee on Rules

TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES
Secretary of the Legislature



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
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May 22, 2011

MEMORANDUM

TO: Patricia Santos
Clerk of the Legislature

FROM: Senator Aline A. Yamashita, PhD 

SUBJECT: Resolution: Masters of Arts in Teaching program

Hafa adai. Please find attached a resolution for introduction relative to
Commending the UoG Masters of Arts in Teaching program.

A resolution presentation is planned for:

TIME: 6 pm

DATE: Wednesday, May 25, 2011

VENUE: Marriott Hotel

Thank you for your time, attention and assistance regarding this matter.

Attachments (1)