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

Resolution No. 406-31(cor)

Introduced by:

Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr. 4

Relative to proclaiming the month of May as "Guam Nurses' Month" and extending a warm un Dångkolo na si Yu'os Ma'åse to the Guam Department of Education School Nurses for their dedication and commitment in providing quality health care services to the students and employees of GDOE.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÂHAN:

employees in the public school setting; and

WHEREAS, the Guam Department of Education (GDOE) have forty two
(42) School Health Counselors (SHC) and four (4) Licensed Practitioner Nurses
(LPN) who proudly take care of the complex health care needs of more than
thirty thousand Guam children and more than three thousand eight hundred

WHEREAS, School Health Counselors are Registered Nurses that advance the well-being, academic success, and life-long achievements of all students by providing a critical safety net for our island's children including the most fragile;

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School Health Counselors act as liaison to the school WHEREAS, 1 community, parents/guardians, and health care providers on behalf of children's 2 health; and 3 WHEREAS, School Health Counselors support the health and educational 4 success of children and youth by developing and providing health programs and 5 leadership; and 6 WHEREAS, School Health Counselors understand the link between health 7 and learning and are in a position to make a positive difference for children every 8 day; and 9 WHEREAS, School Health Counselors play a vital role in responding to 10 student and staff crisis and emergencies and are members of intervention and 11 referral teams that assist students in achieving their full academic potential; and 12 WHEREAS, all students have a right to have their health needs safely met 13 while in the school setting; and 14 WHEREAS, children are the future and, by investing in them today, we are 15 ensuring our island community for tomorrow; and 16 WHEREAS, School Health Counselors will join their national colleagues 17 on May 09, 2012 in celebrating "National School Nurses Day"; and now, therefore, 18 be it: 19 RESOLVED, I Liheslaturan Guåhan and the people of Guam, commend 20 the services of the Guam Department of Education school nurses and give them a 21 time to honor those island residents who daily devote a profession in servicing the 22 staff and students within GDOE and extend a warm Un Dangkolo Na Si Yu'os 23 Ma'ase' for their contributions to the community of Guam; and be it further 24 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairman of the Committee on Rules 25 certify, and the Secretary of the Legislature attest to, the adoption hereof, and that 26 copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Taling Taitaino, Interim 27

- 1 Superintendent of Guam Department of Education; Julietta Quinene, Administrator
- of Committee on Health and Nursing Services; and to the Honorable Edward J.B.
- 3 Calvo, I Maga'lahen Guåhan.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF *I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* ON THE 9th DAY OF MAY, 2012.

JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D Speaker RORY RESPICIO
Chairman, Committee on Rules

TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES
Legislative Secretary