

I MINA' TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
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Introduced By:

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Relative to recognizing and observing September 2012 as
Childhood Cancer Awareness Month on Guam in honor of
all families who have lost their loved ones and families who
continue to battle through childhood cancer

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

3 **WHEREAS**, every year, thousands of children across America are diagnosed
4 with cancer; and

5 **WHEREAS**, cancer is a life threatening illness that remains the leading cause of
6 death by disease for children under the age of 17 and below; and

7 **WHEREAS**, this heartbreaking disease continues to scar families and
8 communities in a way that may never fully heal despite the discovery of new
9 treatments; and

10 **WHEREAS**, thanks to the ongoing advances in research and treatment, the five-
11 year survival rate has increased from under 50% to 80% in the past ten years; and

12 **WHEREAS**, during Childhood Cancer Awareness Month, we remember the
13 young lives that were taken too soon, stand with the families who face childhood
14 cancer today, and rededicate ourselves to combating this terrible illness;

1 **WHEREAS**, the objective of Childhood Cancer Awareness Month is to put a
2 spotlight on the types of cancer that largely affect children and to help raise funds for
3 research and family support; and

4 **WHEREAS**, families, caregivers, charities, and research groups across the United
5 States observe September as Childhood Cancer Awareness Month; and

6 **WHEREAS**, Guam proclaim September as Childhood Cancer Awareness Month
7 for the first time in honor of all loved ones lost and families who are battling through
8 childhood cancer; now, therefore be it

9 **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina' Trentai Unu Na Liheslaturan*
10 *Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, recognize and observe September
11 2012 as Childhood Cancer Awareness Month on Guam in honor of all loved ones lost
12 and families battling through childhood cancer; and be it further

13 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules certify,
14 and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be
15 thereafter transmitted to the American Cancer Society; to the parents of Taylor Marie Rosario
16 Cruz; parents of Caleb John Terlaje Cruz; parents of Abigail Francesca Cruz; and to the
17 Honorable Edward J.B. Calvo, *I Maga'lahaen Guåhan*.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF I MINA' TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THIS ___ DAY OF _____ 2012.

JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D.
Speaker

RORY J. RESPICIO
Chairperson, Committee on Rules

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