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

Resolution No. 589.31 (COR)

Introduced by:

Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr.

Relative to recognizing and congratulating the Western Visayas College of Science & Technology (WVCST) Alumni Association, Guam Chapter in celebration of the coronation of their 2012 queen in celebration of their 20th year anniversary and to express a sincere *Un Dångkolo Na Si Yu'os Ma'åse* to the officers and members for their service and dedication to the community of Guam.

1 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF

2 I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN:

3 WHEREAS, the pioneers of the WVCST Alumni Association of Guam 4 laid the foundation of the organization through gatherings that were held for the 5 last twenty (20) years to conduct their community affairs; and

6 WHEREAS, the WVCST Alumni Association, Guam Chapter consists of 7 Alumni of WVCST College in Iloilo, Philippines who migrated to Guam since 8 after World War II as tradesmen, technicians, craftsmen, teachers and engineers, 9 who call now Guam their home, and their families and friends in their respective 10 Guam Community who consist the members of this non-profit organization; and

WHEREAS, the WVCST Alumni Association, Guam Chapter, established in 1993, as a non-profit organization, has been actively supporting other non-profit organizations in Guam every year, such as the American Red Cross, the American Cancer Society and Guam Community College; and is an active member of the
Filipino Community of Guam, an umbrella association of more than 40 Filipino
groups in Guam; and have been supporting other disaster and relief operations of
the Guam Community such as the recent China, Haiti, Indonesia and Japan
Earthquakes and calamities in the Philippines, most recent are due to Typhoon
"Frank", Typhoon "Undoy", Typhoon "Sendong" and "Jabagat" flooding; and

7 WHEREAS, the objectives of the organization include fostering unity and close relationships among WVCST Alumni and other Filipino's on Guam and the 8 9 people in their respective Guam community, preserving the cherished traditions of 10 the Filipino People and promoting this cultural heritage exemplified in supporting 11 Filipino Community activities such as the annual Santacruzan by the Filipino 12 Ladies Association of Guam, the annual activities of the Filipino Community of Guam such as the celebration of the Philippine Independence and Heritage Month 13 14 in June and the Christmas Parol Contest in December and other cultural and 15 community activities, and the sharing of cultures and recognizing the interdependence that exist between Guam's rich diversity of cultures; promoting 16 17 educational and scientific efforts in their respective fields of work and community, 18 promoting the technological skills of the Alumni, the transfer of skills to fellow 19 Guamanians and helping in the re-building of the Guam and its economy; and 20 actively promoting civic, social and morale welfare in the communities they live; 21 and

WHEREAS, the WVCST Alumni Association, Guam Chapter throughout its twenty (20) years of existence, has contributed countless times to improve the quality of life of more than a hundred of poor but deserving students by sponsoring their education to finish a college course in their Alma Mater, the Western Visayas College of Science and Technology in Iloilo City, Philippines; that in 2005 raised more than a million *Pesos* to fund and complete the 1 construction of the WVCST Alumni Hall in the School Campus; and locally 2 provided financial support every year to selected students in the Guam Community 3 College. The association also continues to foster camaraderie within its members, 4 and with other Filipino organizations and to provide assistance to people in need 5 on Guam, and in the Philippines when unforeseen calamities arises and 6 elsewhere in the world where there are disasters that needs global support like the 7 recent Japan Earthquake and Philippine flooding; and

8 WHEREAS, 2011-2012 officers and board members of the organization 9 President: William I. de la Peña; Vice President: Jose M. Dy; Treasurer: Julieto 10 Sontillanosa; Assistant Treasurer: Romeo del Castillo; Auditor: Norberto Dolor; 11 Secretary: Fernabel D. de la Peña; Asst. Secretary: Elesiah Ann Malaga; Business 12 Manager: Enriqueta Retiro; Public Relations Officer: Fely A. Dy; Peace Officers: 13 Noel Semolava & Joemarie Saloma; Board of Directors: Blanca Imbo, Ma. Fe 14 Napalan, Estella Saloma & Bel Gicole all provided invaluable leadership and 15 stewardship for the association; now, therefore be it

16 **RESOLVED,** *I Mina'Trentai Unu Na Liheslaturan Guåhan*, does hereby, 17 on behalf of the People of Guam, recognize and commend the WVCST Alumni 18 Association, Guam Chapter on their selection and Coronation of their Anniversary 19 Queen in celebration of their 20th Year Anniversary and to express a sincere Un 20 Dångkolo Na Si Yu'os Ma'åse to the officers and members for their service and 21 dedication to the community of Guam; be it further

RESOLVED, that the Speaker of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the Chairman of the Executive Committee certify, and the Secretary of the Legislature attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to the President of the WVCST Alumni Association Guam, 26 2011 to 2012, to the Honorable Consul General Bayani Mangibin, representative

- 1 Philippine Consulate General to Guam; and to the Honorable Edward J.B.
- 2 Calvo, I Maga'lahen Guåhan.

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

JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D Speaker

RORY RESPICIO Chairman, Committee on Rules

TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES Legislative Secretary