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BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF I MINA’TRENTAI DOS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN:

WHEREAS, 2014 marks the 46th year anniversary of UOG’s Charter and the 62nd year anniversary of the founding of the UOG, which was established in 1952 as
the Territorial College of Guam, and renamed to the University of Guam in 1968 with its charter; and

WHEREAS, since its founding, UOG has graduated over 14,700 students, who serve as the foundation of our island’s and region’s professional workforce and who strengthen our economy as they establish themselves in businesses and in the community as accountants, scientists, nurses, teachers, entrepreneurs, social workers, and many other specialties; and

WHEREAS, UOG alumni maintain a strong, vibrant presence in all sectors of our community and play a major role in the political, economic, and social development in our region; and

WHEREAS, UOG, as the only four-year, U.S. accredited, land-grant institution in the Western Pacific, is a public comprehensive university offering 15 masters degree programs, 34 bachelors degree programs, and one associate degree in nursing program; and

WHEREAS, UOG achieved an unprecedented 8-year accreditation by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges Senior Commission (WASC) in 2009; as well as program-specific accreditation by the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing, Inc., for the nursing programs; accreditation by the Council on Social Work Education for the undergraduate social work program; accreditation by the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education for the education programs; and accreditation by the International Assembly for Collegiate Business Education for the business administration programs; and

WHEREAS, the University of Guam is committed to academic quality as evidenced by its accreditation from these nationally recognized accrediting bodies, its academic programs, and its research units, which are nationally and internationally
recognized for its scholarly work and contributions to the community and the region;

and

WHEREAS, the WASC Interim Report Committee noted, in response to the 2013 Interim Accreditation Report submitted by UOG, “There is much to praise including: significant improvements in the financial situation; a campus culture of collaboration and shared governance; strong presidential leadership; open, transparent and ongoing communication to constituents; and success in enrollment management, program review, and assessment efforts. The University of Guam is to be commended for these accomplishments.”; and

WHEREAS, UOG’s enrollment has grown an average of 2.5% over the last five years, reaching a high of 3,836 students for the Fall 2013 semester; the University also had managed a complex array of over 500 grants, and contracts of over 39 Million Dollars in FY 2013; and

WHEREAS, despite the austere financial environment, through the support of I Liheslaturan Guåhan (the Guam Legislature) and the Administration, UOG has been able to maintain its tuition rates without an increase since 2009; and

WHEREAS, UOG and the UOG Endowment Foundation have launched an aggressive capital campaign plan designed to provide the financial support necessary to build a 21st century campus that offers physical facilities that enable UOG students, faculty and visitors to engage in UOG’s mission, “Ina, Diskubre, Setbe – To Enlighten, To Discover, To Serve” utilizing up-to-date technology and resources; and

WHEREAS, UOG’s Statement of Greatness was endorsed by the UOG Board of Regents on September 19, 2013, in Resolution No. 13-18, which states: “The University of Guam’s unique geographical location and its commitment of expertise to the needs of Guam and the Micronesian Region jointly provide the basis for
greatness. The University functions as an intellectual conduit for the people and
institutions of the Region, East Asia, and the world to learn from one another, within
an American higher education framework. Greatness consists of leadership in (1)
learning, teaching, discovery, and service that preserve the essential strengths of the
Region’s cultures and natural resources, and (2) applying those strengths to new
challenges in flexible, multiple ways that transform the students of the University, the
University’s partners, and the University itself.”; and

WHEREAS, this year’s 2014 theme is “The Road to Greatness – Chalan Para
I Ma’gas,” which is reflective of UOG’s path on its journey to becoming a great UOG
through improved efficiency and efficacy, and pursuing opportunities to further serve
the island and region through international collaboration and engagement in the
region and throughout the world; and

WHEREAS, Robert A. Underwood, Ed.D., President of the University,
appointed the 2014 Charter Day Committee to organize this year’s activities, whose
membership includes: Dr. Velma Yamashita and Dr. Joseph Rouse, Co-Chairpersons;
and Committee members: Dr. Vicky Alave, Norman Analista, Derick Baza-Hills, Dr.
Michael Bevacqua, Danny Buncayao, Rose Camacho, Janice Campos, Diane Cruz,
Swingly Dismas, Tess Dueñas, Orana Elsegini, Mye Ganan-Flores, Dr. Peter Houk,
John Howerton, Ray Jualin, Dr. Elizabeth Kelley-Bowman, Clifford Kyota, Jonas
Macapinlac, Felix Mansapit, Mark Mendiola, Jonathan Nguyen, David Okada,
Connie Quinata, Diana Sablan, Cris Toves, Debbie Toves, Louise Toves, and Elvie
Tyler; now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Committee on Rules of I Mina’Trentai Dos Na
Lihesluran Guåhan does hereby, on behalf of I Lihesluran Guåhan and the
people of Guam, officially observe the UOG’s Charter Day Celebration, commend the
UOG students, alumni, faculty, staff, administration and Board of Regents for their
many achievements throughout UOG’s rich history on the occasion of the UOG 46th Charter Day Celebration, and congratulate UOG on the celebration of its 62nd Year Anniversary; and does further acknowledge the UOG President, faculty, staff, students, administration, the Board of Regents, and the 2014 Charter Day Committee for their work in continuing to invest in and strengthen the institution for the benefit of the people of our island and the region; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee Rules certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Mr. Derick Baza-Hills, President, UOG Student Government Association; to Mr. Edwin Reyes, President, UOG Staff Council; to Dr. Nicholas Goetzfridt, President, UOG Faculty Senate; to Dr. Robert A. Underwood, 10th President of UOG; to Dr. W. Chris Perez, Chairperson of the UOG Board of Regents; and to the Honorable Edward J.B. Calvo, I Maga’lahen Guåhan.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF I MINA’TRENTAI DOS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE 25TH DAY OF FEBRUARY 2014.

[Tina Rose Muñá Barnes]
Acting Speaker

[Rory J. Respicio]
Chairperson, Committee on Rules

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