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MEMORANDUM

To: Rennae Meno
   Clerk of the Legislature

   Attorney Therese M. Terlaje
   Legislative Legal Counsel

From: Senator Rory J. Respicio
   Majority Leader & Rules Chair

Subject: Referral of Resolution No. 279-32 (COR)

As Chairperson of the Committee on Rules, I am forwarding my referral of Resolution No. 279-32 (COR). Please ensure that the subject resolution is referred, in my name, to the respective sponsor, as shown on the attachment.

I also request that the same be forwarded to all Senators of I Mina’trentai Dos na Liheslaturan Guåhan.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact our office at 472-7679.

Si Yu’os ma’åse!

(1) Attachment
Relative to promoting affordable alternative regional transportation between Guam and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands by means of a Ferry Service or similar vessels.

BE IT RESOLVED BY I MINA’ TRENentai DOS NA LIHESLaturan GUåHAN:

WHEREAS, despite being one island chain, in recent years the lack of sufficient volume of affordable alternative interisland transportation, the ocean between Mariana Islands has divided Guam and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands and has been an obstacle to economic and social development; and

WHEREAS, additional alternative passenger and cargo vessels will provide much needed capacity that will allow for the rapid transportation of people and goods between the islands; and

WHEREAS, the lack of passenger and cargo capacity combined with the present high costs of travel, interisland shipping, and commodities have been the main obstacles to our tourism industry and interisland trade and economic development; and

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WHEREAS, with added passenger and cargo capacity at the short transit time and costs that ferries and similar vessels can provide, will allow many more people to travel, increase the agricultural and industrial production based on the existence of adequate transportation infrastructure and logistics; and

WHEREAS, the addition of a ferry or similar vessel based sea route between the islands of Guam and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands will be an integral component of achieving this goal; and

WHEREAS, the addition of a ferry or similar vessel based sea route between the islands will be especially beneficial to the promotion of trade between Guam and the Island of Rota and expand the tourism market in both islands; and

WHEREAS, the government of Guam is committed to the sustainable development of not only Guam, but also the Commonwealth of the Northern Marianas as One Marianas; and now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that I Mina' Trentai Dos Na Lihe slaturan Guahan does hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, express its full support for promoting affordable alternative regional transportation between Guam and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands by means of a Ferry Service or other similar passenger and cargo vessel; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Speaker certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to the Honorable Edward J.B. Calvo, I Maga'låhen Guahan, to the Honorable Eloy Inos, the Governor of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, to the Honorable Joseph Deleon Guerrero, Speaker of the House of Representatives, and the Honorable Ralph Dlg. Torres, President of the Senate of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.
DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED I MINA’ TRENTAI DOS NA
LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THIS __ DAY OF _____________ 2013.

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JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D.  TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES
Speaker                  Legislative Secretary