

**I MINA'TRENTAI SINGKO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN**  
**RESOLUTIONS**

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**2020 (SECOND) Regular Session**

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1           **BE IT RESOLVED BY *I MINA'TRENTAI SINGKO NA LIHESLATURAN***  
2 ***GUÅHAN*:**

3           **WHEREAS**, on Guam, *CHamoru* society is traditionally matrilineal, whereby  
4 land and resources were passed through maternal lines of inheritance; and

5           **WHEREAS**, women on Guam lead in all facets of society, in all the major  
6 professions and businesses, and are politically engaged and active in the church and  
7 community; and

1           **WHEREAS**, these extraordinary women anchor us to our CHamoru values and  
2 encourage future generations to fight for progress on Guam and around the world on  
3 issues such as gender equality, climate change, affordable health care, and better  
4 educational and employment opportunities; and

5           **WHEREAS**, on March 9, 1980, U.S President Jimmy Carter issued a  
6 Presidential Proclamation declaring the week of March 8 as the first (1<sup>st</sup>) “*National*  
7 *Women’s History Week*,” honoring and recognizing the contributions of women  
8 throughout American history; and

9           **WHEREAS**, the U.S Congress then designated the month of March 1987 as  
10 “*Women’s History Month*” and since 1988, U.S Presidents have issued annual  
11 proclamations designating the month of March as “*Women’s History Month*”; and

12           **WHEREAS**, in 2019, Guam made history for having the most women  
13 represented in all branches of government with voters electing the island’s first female  
14 governor, majority women in the legislature, and a female chief justice and federal  
15 judge; and

16           **WHEREAS**, during Women’s History Month, we celebrate the remarkable  
17 women locally, nationally, and globally who have overcome barriers and paved the way  
18 for women to not only participate in our government, but also, to lead and shape the  
19 lives of others and communities in positive ways; and

20           **WHEREAS**, *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* has adopted numerous resolutions  
21 recognizing “*Women’s History Month*” and “*International Women’s Day*,” and the  
22 equal rights and inherent human dignity of women are enshrined in the Charter of the  
23 United Nations; and

24           **WHEREAS**, March 8 is recognized throughout the world as “*International*  
25 *Women’s Day*,” a day for all people to celebrate the gifts of diversity while embracing  
26 the values of equality; and for women worldwide to continue contributing to social,

1 economic, cultural, and political achievements; and as a time to reflect on the progress  
2 made, to call for change, and to celebrate acts of courage and determination by women  
3 who have played an extraordinary role in the history of their countries and communities;  
4 and

5 **WHEREAS**, the 2020 Women’s History Month theme, selected and published  
6 by the National Women’s History Alliance, is “*Valiant Women of the Vote*,” which  
7 celebrates the women who have fought for women’s right to vote in the United States  
8 and in honor and recognition of the centennial of the 19<sup>th</sup> Amendment and the women  
9 who have fought and continue to fight to ensure voting rights for all; and

10 **WHEREAS**, women’s work is constantly being redefined; and today, women  
11 have the power to change the destiny of a family, neighborhood, a village, our island,  
12 this nation, and our world; and

13 **WHEREAS**, women’s rights are human rights, a fundamental knowledge that  
14 should be recognized by all; and

15 **WHEREAS**, despite the advancements of women on Guam and in the United  
16 States, much remains to be done to ensure that women realize their full potential as  
17 equal members of society;

18 **WHEREAS**, our island is honored and blessed to have such inspiring women  
19 who tirelessly devote themselves to the overall advancement of our community, through  
20 programs that empower girls and young women to value themselves and strive to be the  
21 best in their pursuits and fight through solidarity to erase mistreatment, exploitation,  
22 and trafficking of women around the world; now, therefore be it

23 **RESOLVED**, that *I Mina'trentai Singko Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby,  
24 on behalf of the people of Guam, observe and commemorate “*Women’s History*  
25 *Month*” during the month of March 2020 as a time to celebrate women of every race,  
26 class, and ethnic background and the many historical contributions and achievements

1 by courageous women to the growth and strength of our island; and to further recognize  
2 and commend the great *CHamoru* and Guamanian women whose contributions and  
3 achievements have paved the way toward progress and success for; and be it further  
4 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the  
5 adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to the many  
6 women organizations on Guam; and to the Honorable Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero, *I*  
7 *Maga'hågan Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY *I MINA'TRENTAI SINGKO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* ON THE DAY OF MONTH 2020.**

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**TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES**  
**Speaker**

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**AMANDA L. SHELTON**  
**Legislative Secretary**