

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

Resolution No.	Sponsor	Title	Date Intro	Date of Presentation	Date Adopted	Date Referred	Referred to	PUBLIC HEARING DATE	DATE COMMITTEE REPORT FILED	NOTES
384-35 (COR)	Tina Rose Muña Barnes	Relative to recognizing the members of the 2020 Red Ribbon Campaign for their community initiatives against drug, tobacco, and alcohol abuse on the occasion of "Red Ribbon Month" during the month of October 2020; and commending them for their continued efforts in preventing drug, tobacco, and alcohol abuse in our community, and for encouraging youth participation in this year's 2020 National Red Ribbon Campaign theme "Be Happy, Be Brave, Be Drug-Free." During Red Ribbon Week 2020 which takes place from October 23rd to October 31st, 2020.	10/1/20 1:44 p.m.	10/23/20 11:00 a.m.						

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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**, recent government reports note that alcohol and substance abuse
4 are among the highest charged crimes in our island community. According to the
5 Judiciary of Guam’s FY2018 Citizen-Centric Report Possession of Schedule II
6 Controlled Substance on average accounted for thirty-eight percent (38%) of all top
7 felony offenses charged from 2016 to 2018; while on average twenty-five percent (25%)
8 of all top misdemeanor charges during that same period were DUI cases; and

9 **WHEREAS**, families around the world have felt the life-altering effects of
10 tobacco, and alcohol abuse. Across the United States and our island of Guam, Families
11 have experienced or witnessed firsthand the devastating consequences of substance
12 abuse; and as an island bonded by family values and the spirit of inafa’maolek, we value

1 the health and harmony of our people despite the challenges and threats that stem from
2 substance abuse and create despair within our communities. Today, we renew our
3 pledge to protect our loved ones and the community from the sinister effects of
4 substance abuse; and

5 **WHEREAS**, the National Family Partnership organized the first National Red
6 Ribbon Campaign in 1985 to spread drug abuse awareness in honor of Drug
7 Enforcement Administration agent Enrique “Kiki” Camarena, who was kidnapped and
8 brutally tortured before being murdered by drug cartels in Mexico. Camarena had left
9 his office to meet his wife for lunch on February 7th, 1985 but was abducted before he
10 can meet her; and

11 **WHEREAS**, when Camarena’s mother tried talking to her son out of joining the
12 Drug Enforcement Administration, he told her, “I’m only one person, but I want to
13 make a difference.” In response to his murder, Camarena’s friends and neighbors began
14 to wear red stain badges. Parents across the U.S., who were sick and tired of the
15 destruction caused by drugs, tobacco, and alcohol, began forming coalitions with
16 Camarena as their inspiration. Families across the Nation embraced his belief that one
17 person can make a difference and started wearing red ribbons as a symbol of their
18 commitment to raising awareness of the killing and destruction caused by drugs. Since
19 its inception thirty-five (35 years ago, the National Red Ribbon Campaign has touched
20 the lives of millions around the world, including Guam, and continues to mobilize
21 communities and educate the youth on the harmful effects of substance abuse; and

22 **WHEREAS**, the Dededo Drug-Free Organization, now known as Youth for
23 Youth LIVE, initiated Guam’s participation in this national campaign in 1998; and this
24 year’s 2020 Red Ribbon Campaign Committee is comprised of representatives from
25 federal and local government agencies, the U.S. military, non-profit organizations, and
26 the Guam Chamber of Commerce; and

1 **WHEREAS**, the theme for Red Ribbon Week 2020, which takes place from
2 October 23rd to October 31st, 2020 is “Be Happy, Be Brave, Be Drug-Free.” and was
3 created by Tricia Nelson, an elementary student from Cincinnati Ohio. Tricia's theme
4 was chosen from hundreds of submissions through the National Red Ribbon Theme
5 Contest which runs from January 1st through December 2nd. Her theme serves as a
6 reminder that we are all empowered with shaping the communities around us through
7 positivity, bravery, and strength; and

8 **WHEREAS**, the 2020 National Red Ribbon Campaign events and activities on
9 Guam are organized by the Red Ribbon Campaign Committee, and their ongoing
10 awareness will concentrate on promoting healthy choices and lifestyles that are drug,
11 tobacco, and alcohol-free; and, now, therefore be it

12 **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina'trentai Singko Na*
13 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, recognize the
14 members of the 2020 Red Ribbon Campaign for their community initiatives against
15 drug, tobacco, and alcohol abuse on the occasion of “Red Ribbon Month” during the
16 month of October 2020; and commending them for their continued efforts in preventing
17 drug, tobacco, and alcohol abuse in our community, and for encouraging youth
18 participation in this year’s 2020 National Red Ribbon Campaign theme “Be Happy, Be
19 Brave, Be Drug-Free.” During Red Ribbon Week 2020 which takes place from October
20 23rd to October 31st, 2020; and be it further;

21 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chair of the Committee on Rules certify,
22 and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same
23 be thereafter transmitted to the Red Ribbon Campaign Committee; and to the Honorable
24 Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero, *I Maga'hågan Guåhan*.

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

TINA ROSE MUÑA-BARNES
Speaker

RÉGINE BISCOE LEE
Chairperson, Committee on Rules

AMANDA L. SHELTON
Legislative Secretary