



I MINA 'TRENTAI SINGKO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
RESOLUTIONS

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BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF *I MINA'TRENTAI SINGKO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN*:

1 **WHEREAS**, Guam and the Marianas Islands have long revered the place of
2 women in society, women today continue to maintain positions of authority in
3 Guam society, in families, and in professional careers whether they are Chamorro
4 or of other ethnic backgrounds. Women on Guam maintaining a central role in
5 decision making is a traditional value that has carried on throughout the centuries
6 despite numerous changes and challenges such as the Christianization of
7 Chamorros in the latter part of the 17th century, and American hegemony
8 beginning in the 20th century. Women were able to maintain their authoritative
9 roles in the face of patriarchal values because of mothers’ traditional custodial
10 roles. Women are responsible for child-rearing, finances, and family
11 responsibilities.

12 **WHEREAS**, the University of Guam Women and Gender Studies Program
13 is an interdisciplinary minor and certificate program in the College of Liberal Arts
14 and Social Sciences designed to provide students with a women-focused
15 curriculum that fully incorporates the concept of gender and is responsive to the

1 issues, experiences, research, and discourse of women in Guam, throughout
2 Micronesia, and across cultures.

3 **WHEREAS**, the Women and Gender Studies Program’s Regional Research
4 Center covers a wide range of topics dealing with the processes, trends, and
5 explanations of family, women, and gender in a changing society. The focus of the
6 Research Center is to aid students in their understanding and development of major
7 theories, issues, and research in the study of women. The Center is designed to
8 provide students with the tools and abilities to assess, discuss, research, analyze,
9 and write about change in gender relations throughout the Region.

10 **WHEREAS**, International Women's Day (March 8) is a global day
11 celebrating the social, economic, cultural and political achievements of women.
12 The day also marks a call to action for accelerating gender parity. No one
13 government, NGO, charity, corporation, academic institution, women's network or
14 media hub is solely responsible for International Women's Day. Many
15 organizations declare an annual IWD theme that supports their specific agenda or
16 cause, and some of these are adopted more widely with relevance than others.
17 International Women's Day is a collective day of global celebration and a call for
18 gender parity. International Women's Day is all about unity, celebration, reflection,
19 advocacy and action.

20 **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina'Trentai Singko' Na*
21 *Lihselaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Lihselaturan Guåhan* and the
22 people of Guam, recognize, honor, and commend the University of Guam College
23 of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences’ Women and Gender Studies Program and
24 Regional Research Center for the work in the advancement of women on Guam, in
25 our region and internationally; and be it further

26 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on
27 Rules certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that
28 copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to the Honorable Lourdes A. Leon
29 Guerrero, *I Maga'håga Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON
RULES OF I MINA'TRENTAI SINGKO NA LIHESLATURAN
GUÅHAN ON THE ___ DAY OF MARCH 2019.**

TELENA CRUZ NELSON
Acting Speaker

REGINE BISCOE LEE
Chairperson, Committee on Rules

AMANDA L. SHELTON
Legislative Secretary