

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

Resolution No.	Sponsor	Title	Date Intro	Date of Presentation	Date Adopted	Date Referred	Referred to	PUBLIC HEARING DATE	DATE COMMITTEE REPORT FILED	NOTES
91.35 (LS)	Amanda L. Shelton Régine Biscoe Lee Jose "Pedro" Terlaje	Relative to recognizing April 2019 as "Child Abuse Prevention Month" with the theme "Strong and Thriving Families", and commending the employees of the Child Protective Services Division and the Bureau of Social Services, and volunteers of community-based organizations who provide services and care for children.	3/28/19 11:40 a.m.	4/1/19 8:00 a.m.						

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Introduced by:

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Relative to recognizing April 2019 as “Child Abuse Prevention Month” with the theme “Strong and Thriving Families”, and commending the employees of the Child Protective Services Division and the Bureau of Social Services, and volunteers of community-based organizations who provide services and care for children.

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

3 **WHEREAS**, one thousand three hundred sixty-four (1364) child welfare
4 referrals were made here on Guam in 2018, which represents two thousand thirty-nine
5 (2039) children; and

6 **WHEREAS**, child abuse can lead to various physical, mental, and emotional
7 health issues, the long-term effects of which affect our entire island community and
8 should be acknowledged and addressed by everyone; and

9 **WHEREAS**, child abuse is preventable when families, communities, and
10 government organizations work together to provide safe and nurturing environments for
11 children; and

12 **WHEREAS**, the Bureau of Social Services Administration of the Department of
13 Public Health and Social Services advocate with community-based organizations and

1 government agencies to educate parents, intervene, and prevent abuse and neglect of
2 children; and

3 **WHEREAS**, research has shown that parents and caretakers who have resources
4 and support systems are more likely to provide a safe and healthy home for their
5 children; and

6 **WHEREAS**, “Child Abuse Prevention Month” is a nationwide recognition of
7 the importance of families and communities working together to prevent child abuse
8 and neglect, and promotes the social and emotional well-being of children and families;
9 and

10 **WHEREAS**, our island community joins the nation in recognizing the month of
11 April 2019 as “Child Abuse Prevention Month” with the theme, “Strong and Thriving
12 Families”; now, therefore be it

13 **RESOLVED**, that *I Mina'trentai Singko Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby,
14 on behalf of the people of Guam, recognize April 2019 as “Child Abuse Prevention
15 Month” with the theme “Strong and Thriving Families”, and commending the
16 employees of the Child Protective Services Division and the Bureau of Social Services,
17 and volunteers of community-based organizations who provide services and care for
18 children; and be it further;

19 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules
20 certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of
21 the same be thereafter transmitted to the Bureau of Social Services Administration of
22 the Department of Public Health and Social Services; to the Child Protective Services
23 Administration Division of the Department of Public Health and Social Services; and
24 to the Honorable Lourdes Leon Guerrero, *I Maga'hågan Guåhan*.

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

TINA ROSE MUÑA-BARNES
Speaker

AMANDA L. SHELTON
Legislative Secretary