

I MINA'TRENTAI SAIS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No.	Sponsor	Title	Date Intro	Date of Presentation	Date Adopted	Date Referred	Referred to	PUBLIC HEARING DATE	DATE AUTHOR REPORT FILED	NOTES
254-36 (LS)	Amanda L. Shelton Tina Rose Muña Barnes Telena Cruz Nelson Joe S. San Agustin Clynton E. Ridgell Jose "Pedro" Terlaje Sabina Flores Perez Therese M. Terlaje James C. Moylan Mary Camacho Torres V. Anthony Ada Christopher M. Dueñas Joanne Brown Frank Blas Jr.	Relative to recognizing and congratulating the Students, Alumni, Faculty, Staff, President, and Board of Trustees of the Guam Community College (GCC) on the observance of GCC's 45th Year Anniversary; and to further recognize and commend the GCC 45th Anniversary Committee members for their excellent work in planning, executing, and sharing the celebration of this auspicious and historic event with the community.	1/24/22 12:04 p.m.	TBA						

I MINA'TRENTAI SAIS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
2022 (SECOND) Regular Session

Resolution No. 254-36 (LS)

Introduced by:

Amanda L. Shelton *AShelton*
Tina Rose Muña Barnes *TR*
Telena Cruz Nelson *TCN*
Joe S. San Agustin *JS*
Clynton E. Ridgell *CR*
Jose "Pedro" Terlaje *JPT*
Sabina Flores Perez *SFP*
Therese M. Terlaje *Tmt*
James C. Moylan *JM*
Mary Camacho Torres *May C. Torres*
V. Anthony Ada *VA*
Christopher M. Dueñas *CD*
Joanne Brown *JB*
Frank F. Blas Jr. *FFB*

Relative to recognizing and congratulating the Students, Alumni, Faculty, Staff, President, and Board of Trustees of the Guam Community College (GCC) on the observance of GCC's 45th Year Anniversary; and to further recognize and commend the GCC 45th Anniversary Committee members for their excellent work in planning, executing, and sharing the celebration of this auspicious and historic event with the community.

1 **BE IT RESOLVED BY *I MINA'TRENTAI SAIS NA LIHESLATURAN***

2 ***GUÅHAN:***

3 **WHEREAS**, the Guam Trade and Guam Technical High School began in 1959, offering students
4 specialized training in various vocational education fields; and

5 **WHEREAS**, in November 1977, the Guam Community College was established through Public Law
6 14-77, which absorbed both programs of the Guam Trade and Guam Technical High School as well as the
7 Guam Vocational High School of the Department of Education; and

8 **WHEREAS**, the Guam Community College operates secondary and postsecondary vocational
9 programs, adult and continuing education, community education and short-term specialized training and
10 certification which delivers programs through satellite and on-site settings based on requests of business within
11 the community: and

12 **WHEREAS**, in 1979, GCC was first accredited by Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior
13 Colleges (ACCJC) of the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC). It has held continuous
14 accreditation since then.

15 **WHEREAS**, GCC offers more than 50 courses of study which are job related and prepare students for
16 transfer to four-year colleges and universities with advanced standing in professional and technical degree
17 programs and offers a variety of community service and special programs to prepare students for college
18 experiences including English-as-a-Second Language (ESL), Adult Basic Education, General Education
19 Development (GED) preparation and testing, and an Adult High School Diploma program; and

20 **WHEREAS**, GCC has been served admirably by the following provosts/presidents: John C. Salas,
21 Ph.D., Provost 1978-1983; Stanley B. Malkin, Ph.D., President 1983; Peter R. Nelson, President 1983-
22 1987; Frank A. Rivera, Interim President 1987; Jose L. Ramos, President 1988; John T. Cruz, President 1988-

2000; Herominiano Delos Santos, Ed.D., President 2000-2007 and Mary A. Y. Okada, Ed.D., President 2007-present; and

WHEREAS, In 1993 the GCC Foundation Building formally opened, and the College began offering postsecondary classes during the day

WHEREAS, in 2000, the last Guam Vocational-Technical (Vo-Tech) High School class graduated from the Mangilao campus. GCC subsequently took all its vocational-technical programs (which now total 13 programs) into the island's public high schools, and now reaches three times the number of students that originally attended the Voc-Tech high school; and

WHEREAS, in 1996 GCC began the establishment of curriculum for certificate/associate's degree in Medical Assisting; and

WHEREAS, in 1997 GCC signed a MOA with the Guam Telephone Authority for Electronics instructors to train GTA employees, and the GCC Interpreter Training program graduated its first four students; and

WHEREAS, in 2001, GCC received the first of 20 consecutive "clean" fiscal audits from an independent auditor, and the CISCO Networking Academy launched at the College; and

WHEREAS, in 2002, the Visual Communications associate degree program was established; and

WHEREAS, in 2004, the Associate of Arts degrees in Culinary Arts and Liberal Arts were established; and

WHEREAS, in 2007, the renovated Culinary Kitchen and Multipurpose Auditorium opened. Mary A.Y. Okada, Ed.D., became the first female president/CEO, and the GCC the Faculty Senate was inaugurated; and

WHEREAS, Vocational technical education has since transitioned into career and technical education, or CTE and over the past decade and a half, under the leadership of GCC President Mary Okada, the College has made considerable technological advances in CTE, developed industry advisory committees that meet with faculty and academic administrators,

WHEREAS, in 2009, GCC started creation of a CTE pathway from its 13 CTE courses in the high schools into GCC postsecondary programs, through two specific programs: Dual Credit Articulated Programs

1 of Study, or DCAPS, which allows students to graduate *with college credit*, providing a direct pathway to GCC
2 for the nearly 3,000 students in GCC CTE high school programs; and Dual Enrollment Accelerated Learning
3 program (DEAL), which allows eligible students to enroll in college courses concurrently with high school
4 classes and receive *high school and college credit simultaneously*; and

5 **WHEREAS**, GCC has developed the Early Middle College program. Geared toward first-generation
6 college goers, English language learners, low-income, and non-traditional students, as an alternative to
7 "traditional high school" in which the student takes core classes to fulfill high school graduation requirements,
8 as well as college courses that will count for high school AND college credits. When a student graduates from
9 the Early Middle College program, he or she graduates not only with a high school diploma, but also with a
10 college associate degree or certificate; and

11 **WHEREAS**, GCC now offers One bachelor's degree, 24 associate degree and 17 certificate programs;
12 A U.S. Department of Labor sanctioned Apprenticeship program engaging 390 apprentices in 78 island
13 companies in 91 apprenticeable trades; Continuing Education courses, and An Adult High School program and
14 high school equivalency testing; and

15 **WHEREAS**, in 2018 the ACCJC, GCC's accrediting body, approved GCC for another full seven-year
16 accreditation; and

17 **WHEREAS**, in 2019, GCC launched our Associate of Science (AS) in Practical Nursing, which
18 replaced the previous Practical Nursing certificate; and

19 **WHEREAS**, GCC launched its work-ready boot camps in 2019, with its first Ship Repair
20 Transportation Boot Camp. The second Ship Repair boot camp in August of that year, followed by the first
21 Truck Driving Transportation Boot Camp in September. As the modernization and expansion continue, GCC
22 cut the ribbon for the newly renovated Building 100, now part of Building E, and broke ground on the DNA
23 Forensic Lab in December; and

24 **WHEREAS**, GCC hosted two Workforce Opportunities Reimagined Conferences (WORC) to define
25 the needs of our island during and post-pandemic and as a result of the WORC conferences has designed,
26 developed and implemented work-ready boot camps in 16 distinct and specialized fields of employment:
27 Medical Home Health Aide, Medical Coding & Billing, HVAC, Certified Nursing Assistant, Surveyor

1 Technician, Ship Repair, Construction trades, Diesel Mechanic, Safety Officer, Heavy Equipment, Welding,
2 Truck Driving, Cyber Security, EMT and Security.

3 **WHEREAS**, in September 2021, GCC was recognized by the US Department of Education for our
4 work-ready boot camp model. GCC was awarded First Runner-up in US DOE's Rethink Adult Education
5 contest, from among 203 submissions from 33 states and two territories. GCC This recognition has raised
6 GCC's profile among job training programs and national organizations, prompting multiple requests for GCC's
7 program to be presented at industry forums.

8 **WHREAS**, Since 2009, GCC has been using federal grants and loans to transform its campus, starting
9 with the Anthony A. Leon Guerrero Allied Health Center, opened in 2009; Learning Resource Center
10 (designated Leadership in Energy & Environmental Design (LEED) gold), opened in 2010; Student Center,
11 opened in 2011; Foundation Building (LEED silver), opened in 2012; Building E (LEED gold), opened in 2014;
12 Building 100 (LEED qualified) opened in 2019 and is now part of Building E; Building 300 renovation is
13 expected to complete by mid-2022 and will serve as GCC's new Multipurpose Auditorium; The new Director
14 Gregorio G. Perez Crime Lab Annex is set to complete in February 2022; GCC's Workforce Development
15 Center in Barrigada is set for renovations in 2022 and when completed will support our growing Work-Ready
16 Boot Camp programs for Marine Transportation and related industries; and

17 **WHEREAS**, GCC is at the leading edge of renewable energies for the Government of Guam. The college
18 has eight photovoltaic systems throughout the campus, including two barrel vault walkways. The photovoltaic
19 systems generated 233,599 Megawatts of clean energy in FY20-21, saving GCC \$63,071.73K (\$5,255.97 per
20 month) in power costs; and

21 **WHEREAS**, for 45 years, the Guam Community College's mission of serving the diverse communities
22 of Guam, providing education and vocational training as a premise for lifelong learning has yielded thousands

1 of individuals better trained, better skilled and better prepared for continuing higher educations, for employment
2 and for life; and

3 **WHEREAS**, GCC has been and continues to be committed to providing quality learning opportunities
4 in occupational, vocational-technical, technological, academic, and continuing education reflective of our
5 community and industry needs; and; now, therefore be it

6 **RESOLVED**, that the *I Mina'trentai Sais Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I*
7 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the people of Guam, to recognize and the Guam Community College on the occasion
8 of their forty-fifth 45th Anniversary, its administration, faculty and staff and all the members, past and present,
9 for their contributions in formulation, development and stability of the college; and be it further

10 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson on Committee on Rules certify; and Legislative
11 Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to the Guam
12 Community College (GCC); and to the Honorable Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero, *I Maga'hågan Guåhan*.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY *I MINA'TRENTAI SAIS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* ON THE DAY OF JANUARY 2022.

THERESE M. TERLAJE

Speaker

AMANDA L. SHELTON

Legislative Secretary