

I MINA'TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
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Resolution No. 37 (COR)

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Relative to congratulating the Guam Police Department, the Judiciary of Guam, and the Guam Community College on the opening of the new Guam Police Department Crime Lab.

1 **BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF I**
2 ***MINA'TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN:***
3 **WHEREAS,** the Guam Police Department has made attempts to
4 construct a new forensic laboratory for over twenty (20) years; and

1 **WHEREAS**, in December 2006, a project coordinator was hired to finally
2 oversee and coordinate the effort; and

3 **WHEREAS**, construction began a year later on the campus of the Guam
4 Community College; and

5 **WHEREAS**, on December 31, 2008, the project was completed, resulting
6 in the most sophisticated forensic science laboratory in Guam's history; and

7 **WHEREAS**, this facility is the first laboratory in the Guam Police
8 Department to have climate and cross contamination controls; and

9 **WHEREAS**, this building is also the first in the Department to be built
10 specifically to house a laboratory; and

11 **WHEREAS**, the Guam Police Department Crime Lab will be able to
12 analyze fingerprints, firearms, tool marks, drugs, serology evidence, and
13 photos, in addition to other Crime Scene Investigation activities; and

14 **WHEREAS**, plans are being made with the Guam Community College,
15 the University of Guam, and the George Washington High School to utilize
16 the laboratory as part of their curriculum; and

17 **WHEREAS**, as the only U.S. facility in the Western Pacific, this
18 laboratory will *not* only deal with local and federal cases in Guam, but also, in
19 the Republic of the Marshall Islands, the Republic of Belau, the
20 Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, the Federated States of
21 Micronesia, and other Pacific islands; now, therefore, be it

1 **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina'Trenta Na*
2 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the
3 people of Guam, congratulate the Guam Police Department, the Judiciary of
4 Guam, and the Guam Community College on the opening of the new Guam
5 Police Department Crime Lab; and be it further

6 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on
7 Rules certify, and the Legislative Secretary attests to, the adoption hereof, and
8 that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Paul R. Suba, Chief of
9 Police; to the Forensic Science Laboratory; to the Judiciary of Guam; to Guam
10 Community College; and to the Honorable Felix P. Camacho, *I Maga'lahen*
11 *Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES
OF I MINA'TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE 8TH DAY OF
FEBRUARY, 2009.**



JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D.

Speaker



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