

I MINA'TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
2009 (FIRST) Regular Session

Resolution No. 87 (COR)

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Relative to congratulating Ms. Vivian L. Larsen, President/Owner, Cloud K-9 Grooming, on winning the award for the "2009 Minority Small Business Champion of the Year".

1 **BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF I**
2 ***MINA'TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN:***

3 **WHEREAS, Ms. Vivian L. Larsen was born in Billings, Montana, to**
4 **Native American parents from the Northern Cheyenne Tribe. At two (2) years**

1 of age, she and her siblings were placed in an orphanage and spent time in
2 foster homes over the next two (2) years. Ms. Larsen was adopted by Mr. and
3 Mrs. Calvin and Gen Noble of Libby, Montana, at age four (4); and

4 **WHEREAS**, Ms. Vivian L. Larsen moved to Anchorage, Alaska, after
5 graduation to find work. She spent her formative years in Montana and
6 Alaska where wildlife is abundant and nature is exceptionally beautiful. This
7 is where she developed a keen affection towards animals, while still
8 possessing a special pride in being a member of the Northern Cheyenne Tribe;
9 and

10 **WHEREAS**, Ms. Vivian L. Larsen opened her groom and board
11 business, Cloud K-9 Grooming, in November 2004, thus fulfilling her dream
12 to start her own business. Just as passionate as Ms. Larsen was as a minority
13 entrepreneur, she targeted clientele who were as passionate about their pets.
14 She created Cloud K-9 Grooming with a spa-like atmosphere, offering a high
15 end boarding facility, which included a professional pet photography studio,
16 which symbolized the name of the business – Heaven on Earth for Your Pets;
17 and

18 **WHEREAS**, as a member of the Northern Cheyenne Tribe, Ms. Vivian L.
19 Larsen has a heartfelt respect for all minority business owners in Guam, and
20 being a woman, she has a special compassion for other female entrepreneurs
21 and small business owners. Ms. Larsen understands the challenges that new

1 minority business owners face and how overwhelming it can be for women
2 who are minorities; and

3 **WHEREAS**, Ms. Vivian L. Larsen became actively involved in our
4 island community by joining the Guam and Chinese Chambers of Commerce
5 and offering her services to help minority small businesses. She is the Vice
6 President of Unconditional Love – an organization with a mission to improve
7 the quality of life of socially-isolated residents of nursing homes, hospitals,
8 and senior citizen homes; and to enable pet owners to share with others, the
9 pleasures provided by their animals. Ms. Larsen has participated in helping
10 many non-profit organizations on Guam which involve various minority
11 groups; and

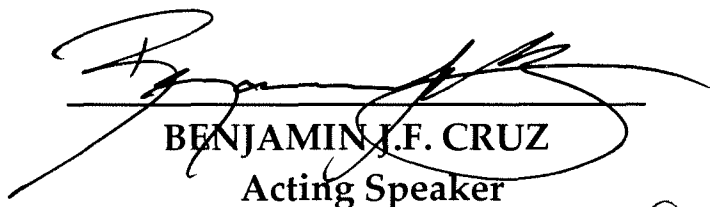
12 **WHEREAS**, Ms. Vivian L. Larsen is an example of what a Minority
13 Champion can accomplish by bringing change in a positive way and offering
14 unique services to our island community. Ms. Larsen has fulfilled her goal of
15 starting her own business and helping the minority community in return;
16 now, therefore, be it

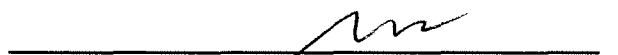
17 **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina'Trenta Na*
18 *Lihselaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Lihselaturan Guåhan* and the
19 people of Guam, congratulate Ms. Vivian L. Larsen, President and Owner,
20 Cloud K-9 Grooming, on winning the award for the “2009 Minority Small
21 Business Champion of the Year”, and does further extend to her a sincere *Un*

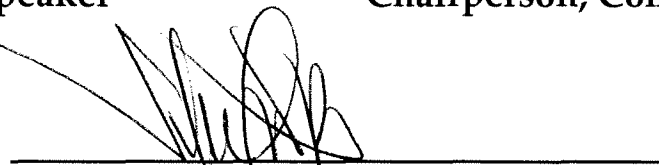
1 *Dangkulo Na Si Yu'os Ma'ãse'* for the outstanding contributions she has made
2 for the betterment of our island community; and be it further

3 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on
4 Rules certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and
5 that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Ms. Vivian L. Larsen; and
6 to the Honorable Felix P. Camacho, *I Maga'lahaen Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES
OF I MINA'TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THIS 23RD DAY
OF APRIL, 2009.**


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Acting Speaker


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Chairperson, Committee on Rules


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Legislative Secretary