

I MINA' TRENTA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
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Relative to recognizing the month of May 2010 as “*Guam Museum Month*”, to celebrating “*I Hinanao-ta*”, The Journey of the *Chamorro* people, and to commending our local community for their continued efforts to preserve Guam’s rich and diverse history.

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

3 **WHEREAS**, the month of May has been recognized as “National
4 Museum Month” by thousands of museum organizations, communities, and
5 states across the country, as well as by the White House and Congress for
6 more than two (2) decades; and

7 **WHEREAS**, the Guam Institute of Natural History and Cultural
8 Heritage, and the Guam Museum Foundation, Inc., joins the American
9 Association of Museums, a conglomerate of members throughout the United
10 States and its territories in commemorating and celebrating the history and
11 tradition of our ancestors; and

12 **WHEREAS**, museums are the inheritors and guardians of the people’s
13 remnants and artifacts in addition to keepers of a unique historical experience
14 and cultural identity; and

15 **WHEREAS**, museums are promoters of culture, history and tradition,
16 are centers of research for scholars, and are an educational resource for
17 schools, colleges, universities, libraries, and other institutions of learning; and

18 **WHEREAS**, our local community, together with museum officials, will
19 celebrate Guam Museum Month with the theme of *“I Hinanao-ta, the*
20 **Journey of the Chamorro people”**, to commemorate the contributions made
21 by the community to the preservation of our heritage – Guam’s history,

1 culture and arts – and to the furtherance and understanding of the people of
2 Guam; and

3 **WHEREAS**, museums enrich the quality of our communities, provide a
4 sense of cultural pride and offer enlightenment for younger generations; and

5 **WHEREAS**, Guam has seen a renewed interest in preserving the
6 island’s rich heritage, and it is notable that our island’s landscape holds
7 several existing museums, as well as a few anticipated museum openings in
8 the near future, including the National Museum of the *Dulce Nombre de Maria*
9 Cathedral-Basilica; the National Park Service, War in the Pacific Museum; the
10 Micronesia Area Research Center, University of Guam; the Pacific War
11 Museum; the *U’zeum* Children’s Discovery Group of Guam; and the highly
12 anticipated Guam Institute of Natural History and Cultural Heritage; and

13 **WHEREAS**, the Guam Institute of Natural History and Cultural
14 Heritage, together with the Guam Museum Foundation, Inc., the Department
15 of *Chamorro* Affairs, the Guam Museum (archives and collections division),
16 and other entities, have been established with a vision, mission, and efforts
17 directly supportive of the preservation and promotion of Guam’s history and
18 culture, and have committed to increasing public awareness of Guam’s
19 history and culture through leadership, advocacy, as well as further research
20 and study programs through continued development of partnerships with the
21 educational institutions, and deserve recognition for their part in

1 commemorating, sharing and upholding *“I Hinanao-ta, the Journey of the*
2 *Chamorro people*; and

3 **WHEREAS**, it is the responsibility of today’s leaders to encourage and
4 educate our children about our rich and diverse heritage, and by doing so
5 inspire them as leaders of the future; and

6 **WHEREAS**, it is equally important to acknowledge the strong
7 partnerships created by Guam Museum Facilities Construction and Cultural
8 Heritage Rehabilitation Task Force for the new facility, named the Guam
9 Institute of Natural History and Cultural Heritage, through its Steering
10 Committee collaborators, and all of Guam’s community organizations that
11 continue to carry out the mission to protect, preserve, perpetuate and promote
12 the *Chamorro* culture and heritage, not only during “Guam Museum Month”,
13 but every single day; now, therefore, be it

14 **RESOLVED**, that *I Mina’Trenta Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on
15 behalf of and the people of Guam, recognize and commemorate the month of
16 May 2010 as “*Guam Museum Month*”, with the theme “*I Hinanao-ta, the*
17 *Journey of the Chamorro people*”; and does encourage the people of Guam to
18 participate in celebrating, promoting, and observing this month of May with
19 various appropriate ceremonies, activities, and programs, and to take action
20 to build the Guam Institute of Natural History and Cultural Heritage; and
21 does hereby salute all of the many collaborators who have assisted in the
22 development of activities and events to promote “*Guam Museum Month*”,

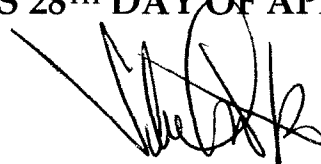
1 with the theme "*I Hinanao-ta, the Journey of the Chamorro people*"; and be it
2 further

3 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker certify, and the Legislative Secretary
4 attest to, the adoption hereof, and the copies of the same be thereafter
5 transmitted to the Guam Museum; to the National Museum of the *Dulce*
6 *Nombre de Maria* Cathedral-Basilica; to the National Park Service, War in the
7 Pacific Museum; to the Micronesia Area Research Center, University of Guam;
8 to the Pacific War Museum; to the *U'zeum* Children's Discovery Group of
9 Guam; and to the Honorable Felix P. Camacho, *I Maga'lahaen Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY I MINA'TRENTA NA
LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THIS 28TH DAY OF APRIL, 2010.**



JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D.
Speaker



TINA ROSE MUNA BARNES
Legislative Secretary