

I MINA'TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
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Resolution No. 77 (COR)

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Relative to commending The Serve Guam Commission for improving lives, strengthening communities, and fostering civic engagement through service and volunteering, and to recognizing April 19 - 25, 2009, as "National Volunteer Week".

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

3 **WHEREAS,** “National Volunteer Week” was created in 1974, when
4 President Richard Nixon signed an executive order to establish the week as an
5 annual celebration of volunteering; and

6 **WHEREAS,** “National Volunteer Week” reflects the power that
7 volunteers have to “inspire by example.” Volunteers encourage those they
8 help, motivate others to serve, and “celebrate people in action”; and

9 **WHEREAS,** the executive order also formally launched AmeriCorps, a
10 network of national service programs that engage Americans in intensive
11 service projects to meet the nation’s critical needs in education, environment,
12 public safety, health, and other unmet human needs. The newly created
13 AmeriCorps incorporated two (2) existing national service programs: the
14 longstanding VISTA (Volunteers in Service To America) program, created by
15 President Lyndon Johnson in 1964, and the National Civilian Community
16 Corps (NCCC); and

17 **WHEREAS,** the Serve Guam Commission oversees the local
18 AmeriCorps Programs, including, AmeriCorps University of Guam Success
19 Center; Sanctuary, Incorporated – *Ayuda Para I Komunidad*; Micronesia
20 Business Association – Impact Today!; *Pa’a* AmeriCorps Community *Linala y*
21 *Kuturan Chamorro*; Governor’s Guam Volunteer Center in partnership with
22 University of Guam; and Guam AmeriCorps Alumni Chapter; and

1 **WHEREAS**, our island community will host the 2009 “National
2 Volunteer Week” beginning on Sunday, April 19th and ending on Sunday,
3 April 25th 2009, with the office of *I Maga’lahen Guåhan* promoting community
4 outreach and civic engagement; and

5 **WHEREAS**, National Volunteer Awards will be presented to various
6 organizations, including nonprofits, faith based, community groups,
7 Volunteer Centers, businesses, and local government agencies, and awards
8 are expected to recognize the Guam Memorial Hospital Volunteer
9 Association; Military Partners: Navy Joint Region Marianas, U.S. Air Force,
10 Guam Veterans Organizations, American Legion Post #1, Military Order of
11 the Purple Heart 2006, Army Retirees Association; Agana Shopping Center;
12 Micronesia Mall; public and private schools; community volunteers; and other
13 community partners, in recognition of their volunteer services; and

14 **WHEREAS**, “National Volunteer Week” events include: Sunday, April
15 19th, Thank –A-Volunteer – Thanking the Volunteers of Guam; Monday, April
16 20th, AmeriCorps Cares - AmeriCorps members provides special treats to
17 Guam Memorial Hospital; Tuesday, April 21st through Friday, April 24th,
18 AmeriCorps Reads - AmeriCorps members, along with Clifford & other
19 costumed characters, read at various kindergarten classes; Saturday, April
20 25th, AmeriCorps Celebrates Life - AmeriCorps members sing, entertain and
21 assist St. Dominic’s residents; 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, commend The Serve Guam Commission for improving lives,
4 strengthening communities, and fostering civic engagement through service
5 and volunteering, and does recognize April 19-25, 2009, as “National
6 Volunteer Week”; and be it further

7 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on
8 Rules certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and
9 that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Maria Connelley, Director,
10 and Erica Unpingco, Deputy Director, Guam Department of Labor; to Peter
11 Barcinas, Chairman, and staff; to Doris Aguon, Program Manager, and
12 Scholastica Rivera, Program Officer, Serve Guam Commission; to Claudia
13 Taitano, AmeriCorps University of Guam Success Center; to George L. Salas,
14 Sanctuary, Incorporated, *Ayuda Para I Komunidat*; to Bobbie Roberto,
15 Micronesian Business Association -Impact Today!; to Nicole Calvo, *Pa'a Taotao*
16 *Tano' – Pa'a AmeriCorps Community*, and *Linala y Kuturan Chamorro*; to Dr.
17 Robert A. Underwood, President, University of Guam; and to the Honorable
18 Felix P. Camacho, *I Maga'lahen Guåhan*.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES
OF *I MINA'TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* ON THIS 15TH DAY
OF APRIL, 2009.



JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D.

Speaker



RORY J. RESPICIO

Chairperson, Committee on Rules



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Legislative Secretary