

I MINA'TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
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Committee on Rules
Resolution No. 25 (COR)

Introduced by:

Ray Tenorio

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Relative to commending Guam Animals In Need Inc. for their invaluable service to the people of Guam through their annual Spay and Neuter Assistance Program Clinic, to extend a warm *Un Dungkulo Na Si Yu'us Ma'ase'* to the sponsors of the SNAP Clinic, and to encourage the people of Guam to support GAIN's efforts to control the pet population.

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

WHEREAS, Guam Animals In Need, as Guam's only humane society has to euthanize approximately 4,000 cats and dogs each year even though many of are healthy and adoptable, due to a lack of critical resources like money, space, and good adoptive homes; and

WHEREAS, the island's pet overpopulation problem also costs the taxpayers of Guam thousands of dollars annually, by way of animal control programs aimed at coping with the thousands of homeless cats and dogs; and

WHEREAS, spaying and neutering cats and dogs have shown to drastically reduce the cat and dog overpopulation; and

WHEREAS, a high stray population not only is a nuisance, but can also lead to the spread of disease; and

WHEREAS, this perennial problem has been dramatically reduced by spaying and neutering cats and dogs; and

WHEREAS, veterinarians, national and local animal protection organizations and private citizens have worked with Guam Animals In Need, Inc., to ensure the spaying and neutering of more than 4,000 companion animals through the annual sterilization clinics in the past eight years; and

WHEREAS, these stakeholders have joined together again with Guam Animals In Need, Inc., to advocate the spaying and neutering of companion animals during the eight day clinic from February 3rd - 9th , 2009.

WHEREAS, businesses that have contributed to this year's important clinic include Continental Airlines; Pacific Islands Club, Empire Realty, Anna's Ark, DGX Freight, DoCoMo Pacific, Guahan Waste Control, Island Equipment Company, Pacific Daily News, Sorensen Broadcasting, IT&E, Shell, Guam, Budget Rent-a-Car, Animal Medical Clinic, South Pacific Petroleum Corp., and MCV Broadcasting.

WHEREAS, these businesses deserve proper recognition for their support of the fight to reduce Guam's population of homeless animals; now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that *I Mina'Trenta Na Liheslaturan Gudhan* does hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, commend Guam Animals In Need Inc. for their invaluable service to the people of Guam through their annual Spay and Neuter Assistance Program Clinic; and be it further

RESOVLED, that *I Liherslatura* extends a warm *Un Dungkulo Na Si Yu'us Ma'ase'* to the sponsors of the SNAP Clinic; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the 30th Guam Legislature encourages the people of Guam to support GAIN's efforts to control the pet population; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Speaker certify, and the Secretary of the Legislature attest to, the adoption hereof and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to the Continental Airlines, Pacific Islands Club, Empire Realty, Anna's Ark, DGX Freight, DoCoMo Pacific, Guahan Waste Control, Island Equipment Company, Pacific Daily News, Sorensen Broadcasting, IT&E, Shell, Guam, Budget Rent-a-Car, Animal Medical Clinic, South Pacific Petroleum Corp., and MCV Broadcasting, and to the Honorable Felix P. Camacho, *I Maga'lahaen Guåhan*.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY I MINA'BENTE NUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE _____ DAY OF JANUARY, 2009.

JUDITH T. WON PAT, ED. D.
Speaker

TINA ROSE MUNA BARNES
Secretary of the Legislature

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Chairman, Committee On Rules

RAY TENORIO
Senator and Sponsor