





*I MINA 'TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN*  
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Resolution No. 108 (LS)

Introduced by:

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Relative to calling on the people of Guam to observe the week of May 16 to 22, 2009 as "Safe Boating Week" and to commending the Guam Safe Boating 2009 Planning Committee for its continued efforts to raise awareness of boaters to always wear life jackets and to practice safe boating habits.

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

3 WHEREAS, Guam has been blessed with a vibrant ocean environment  
4 that provides many leisure opportunities for its people. For generations,  
5 recreational boating has been a favorite way to relax with family and friends;  
6 and

7 WHEREAS, safe boating practices are extremely important to all  
8 citizens of Guam, because the lives of both boaters and non-boaters can be  
9 affected by accidents at sea. Each year, lives and property are needlessly lost  
10 in boating accidents, many of which result from a lack of basic knowledge of  
11 boating and ocean safety; and

1           **WHEREAS**, numerous government agencies, private groups, and  
2 community organizations promote safe boating practices to educate vessel  
3 operators about ocean safety principles by offering safe boating courses,  
4 conducting search and rescue missions, examining boats for safety equipment  
5 and participating in other activities to keep Guam waters safe; and

6           **WHEREAS**, each year, *National Safe Boating Week* is observed across the  
7 United States and Canada to spread a message of boating safety and  
8 encouraging boater education. Important safe boating practices include:  
9 knowing how to properly wear a life jacket; carrying proper safety equipment  
10 on board a vessel, including a VHF radio or Emergency Position-Indicating  
11 Radio Beacons; obtaining boating safety education; having a Vessel Safety  
12 Check; now, therefore, be it

13           **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina' Trenta Na*  
14 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the  
15 people of Guam, declares the week of May 16 to 22, 2009 to be *National Safe*  
16 *Boating Week* and commends the Guam Safe Boating 2009 Planning Committee  
17 for its continued efforts to raise awareness of boaters to always wear life  
18 jackets and to practice safe boating habits; and be it further

19           **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on  
20 Rules certify, and the Secretary of the Legislature attest to, the adoption  
21 hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Gary Wayne  
22 Francis Gumataotao, Chairperson of the 2009 “National Safe Boating Week”  
23 Guam Planning Committee; to Mr. Michael Waterfield, Flotilla Commander of  
24 the United States Coast Guard Auxiliary; to Captain Thomas Sparks,

- 1 Commander of the United States Coast Guard Marianas Section; to the
- 2 Honorable Madeleine Z. Bordallo, Guam's Delegate to the United States
- 3 Congress; and 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 THE \_\_\_\_ DAY  
OF \_\_\_\_\_ 2009.**

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**Judith Won-Pat, Ed,D.**  
Speaker

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**Tina Rose Muña-Barnes**  
Senator and  
Secretary of the Legislature

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**Rory J. Respicio**  
Chairman, Committee On Rules

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**Ray Tenorio**  
Senator and Sponsor