

I MINA'TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN  
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Introduced by:

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Relative to congratulating Ms. Vivian L. Larsen, President/Owner, *Cloud K-9 Grooming* within our islands distinguished small business community awarded the 2009 Minority Small Business Champion of the Year.

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

**WHEREAS**, Ms. Vivian L. Larsen was born in Billings, Montana to Native American parents from the Northern Cheyenne Tribe. At two (2) years of age, she and her siblings were placed in an orphanage and spent time in foster homes over the next two (2) years. Ms. Larsen was adopted by Mr. Calvin and Gen Noble of Libby, Montana at age four (4); and

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

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

**WHEREAS**, as a member of the Northern Cheyenne Tribe, Ms. Vivian L. Larsen has a heartfelt respect for all minority business owners in Guam and being a woman, she has a special compassion for other female entrepreneurs and small business owners. Ms. Larsen understands the challenges that new minority business owners face and how overwhelming it could be for women who are minorities; and

**WHEREAS**, Ms. Vivian L. Larsen became actively involved in our island community by joining and participating with the Guam and Chinese Chambers of Commerce and offering her services to help minority small businesses. She is the vice president of *Unconditional Love* an organization with its mission to improve the quality of life of socially isolated residents of nursing homes, hospitals, senior citizen homes and to enable pet owners to share with others the pleasures provided by their animals. Ms. Larsen

has participated in helping many non-profit organizations on Guam which involve various minority groups; and

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

**RESOLVED**, that the members of *I Mina' Trenta Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* congratulate Ms. Vivian L. Larsen, President and Owner, *Cloud K-9 Grooming* within our islands distinguished small business community awarded the 2009 Minority Small Business Champion of the Year and further extend to her a sincere *Un Dangklo Na Si Yu'os Ma'åse'* for the outstanding contributions she has made for the betterment of our Island Community; and, be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the Speaker certify, and the Secretary of the Legislature attests to, the adoption hereof and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Ms. Vivian L. Larsen and to the Honorable Felix P. Camacho, *I Maga'lalen Guåhan*.