

I MINA' TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
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Relative to recognizing the dedicated work of the Officers, Staff and Management of the Guam Customs and Quarantine Agency and to congratulating them on the occasion of the 2010 Guam Customs and Quarantine Week, celebrated with the theme "Enhancing Capabilities through Partnerships and Technology."

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

3 **Whereas**, the week of January 24- 30 has been proclaimed "Guam Customs and
4 Quarantine Week," coinciding with the celebration of International Customs day on
5 January 26, 2010; and

6 **Whereas**, the Guam Customs and Quarantine Agency of Guam celebrates the
7 week with the theme "*Enhancing Capabilities through Partnerships and Technology*;" and

8 **Whereas**, the Guam Customs & Quarantine Agency Mission is as follows: "We
9 are Guam's first line of defense. We protect our ocean borders, safeguard the public
10 from instruments of terror, and foster economic security through international trade
11 and travel while serving with vigilance, integrity and professionalism;" and

12 **Whereas**, Guam Customs and Quarantine Officers perform a significant role in
13 the safety of our island's borders and ports of entry while dutifully performing their
14 missions with courage, pride, and professionalism; and .

15 **Whereas**, Guam Customs and Quarantine officers place their lives in danger
16 every day while protecting the island of Guam from: potential terrorist attacks;
17 importation of illegal drugs & unregistered pharmaceuticals; human trafficking
18 operations; entry of communicable diseases, entry of counterfeits commercial products,
19 and the smuggling of invasive and endangered species; and

20 **Whereas**, Guam Customs Officers serve and protect by upholding the federal
21 and local laws, safeguarding the lives and property of island residents, and protecting

22 the freedom to conduct commerce and trade within the Asia-Pacific region which has
23 transformed to the busiest region in the world; and

24 **Whereas**, weeklong festivities to highlight the fine work of the men and women
25 and the role of the Guam Customs and Quarantine include the following events: a
26 Customs and Quarantine Family Blessing and Memorial Mass at the Hågatña Cathedral
27 Basilica, the Customs and Quarantine Week Proclamation Signing at the Governor’s
28 Conference Room in Adelup, a Customs and Quarantine Wave in Hågatña,
29 appearances on local television and radio talk shows, a Customs and Quarantine Family
30 Movie Night at the Agana Stadium Theaters, a Customs & Quarantine Partnership
31 Team Building Event in Hågatña, a school presentation and outreach at M.U. Lujan
32 Elementary School in Yona, a Customs & Quarantine Dodgeball Tournament in Tiyan,
33 and conclude with a Customs and Quarantine Public Outreach Campaign at the Agana
34 Shopping Center which will feature the 2009 Customs Awards presentations and a
35 Customs and Quarantine Safe Boat Pulling Contest; and

36 **Whereas**, the island community is encouraged to support, recognize, and honor
37 Guam’s customs officers, staff, and management who provide safety and protect the
38 rights and security of our people; now therefore, be it

39 **Resolved**, that *I Liheslaturan Guåhan*, on behalf of the people of Guam hereby
40 recognizes the dedicated work of the Officers, Staff and Management of the Guam
41 Customs and Quarantine Agency and congratulates them on the occasion of the 2010
42 Guam Customs and Quarantine Week, celebrated with the theme “Enhancing
43 Capabilities through Partnerships and Technology; ; and be it further

44 **Resolved**, that the Speaker certify, and the Secretary of the Legislature attest to,
45 the adoption hereof and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to the men
46 and women of the Guam Customs and Quarantine Agency of Guam via its Director,
47 Colonel Dennis Santo Tomas, to the Guam Department of Homeland Security and to
48 the Honorable Felix P. Camacho, *I Maga’lahen Guåhan*.