




I MINA'TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
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Introduced by:

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Relative to commending the Guam Surgicenter and Pacific Medical Management for saving lives through its Island Cancer Center, and to congratulate both groups on the Center's opening.

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

WHEREAS, radiation treatment for cancer can be the difference between a life saved and a life lost; and

WHEREAS, for the first time since 2002, Guam residents will gain access to this critical form of cancer care at the Island Cancer Center; and

WHEREAS, the Island Cancer Center, an expansion of Guam Surgicenter, was over a year in development and involved an international team from Guam, the U.S. Virgin Islands, New York, Oregon, California, and Hong Kong; and

WHEREAS, both the Guam Surgicenter and Pacific Medical Management have invested in state-of-the-art equipment to treat island residents afflicted with cancer, including a \$1.5 million Linear Accelerator; and

WHEREAS, planning for the center was a collaborative effort, including meetings with with the Guam Comprehensive Cancer Coalition, the American Cancer Society, University of Guam, Guam Memorial Hospital and others; and

WHEREAS, a number of quality healthcare providers are now residents of Guam and part of the center's Cancer Team, including Dr. Theresa Pagliuca, Colin O'Connell, Ph. D, Jim Zhang, Elizabeth Bondie, Garabaldi Famisaran, Christina Martini, Ellie Ongnung and Olynn Rhoads; and

WHEREAS, the Island Cancer Center's treatment philosophy educates and empowers patients so they feel more in control, participate in decisions about their care, build confidence to face challenges, create less stress on the family, and have a winning attitude which can lead to better outcomes; now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that *I Mina'Trenta Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, commend the Guam Surgicenter and Pacific Medical Management for saving lives through its Island Cancer Center; and be it further

RESOLVED, that *I Liheslatura* congratulates both the Guam Surgicenter and Pacific Medical Management for the opening of the Island Cancer Center; 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 Island Cancer Center, the Guam Surgicenter, Pacific Medical Management, and to the Honorable Felix P. Camacho, *I Maga'lahaen Guåhan*.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY I MINA'TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE 14th DAY OF APRIL, 2010.

JUDITH T. WON PAT, ED. D.
Speaker

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