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Resolution No. 438 -30 (LS)

Introduced by:

FRANK B. AGUON, JR.

RELATIVE TO EXPRESSING THE 30TH GUAM
LEGISLATURE'S CONGRATULATIONS, IN
RECOGNITION OF THE LATTE TREATMENT CENTER
RECEIVING AN AWARD OF FULL ACCREDITATION BY
THE JOINT COMMISSION.

1 BE IT RESOLVED BY *I MINA'TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN*
2 *GUÅHAN*:

3 WHEREAS, the Lattee Treatment Center has been providing
4 residential group home services for adolescents and adults with cognitive
5 disabilities since June 2005 and March 2008, respectively, on behalf of the
6 Department of Mental Health & Substance Abuse and the Department of
7 Integrated Services for Individuals for Persons with Disabilities; and

8 WHEREAS, after a successful five year concerted effort, the Latte
9 Treatment Center has been awarded full accreditation by The Joint
10 Commission for a three year term; and

11 WHEREAS, after being weighed against a set of national standards
12 by a Joint Commission Surveyor experienced in the delivery of behavioral

1 health care services, the Joint Commission has now recognized the
2 technical expertise of the staff and quality of the services provided by the
3 Latte Treatment Center; and

4 **WHEREAS**, as a service provider that meets national standards, the
5 services provided facilitates the Department of Mental Health & Substance
6 Abuse compliance relative to the permanent injunction ordered pursuant
7 to U.S. District Court Civil Case CIV 01-00041; and

8 **WHEREAS**, the services provided have significantly minimized the
9 number of off-island referrals for treatment as well as reducing the average
10 treatment time from two to three years off-island, to one year with on-
11 island treatment, which keeps families united and allows for the training of
12 parents and family members; and

13 **WHEREAS**, the people of Guam are benefiting from a significant
14 improvement in the quality of behavioral health care services on Guam,
15 they are as well realizing a major financial savings; and

16 **WHEREAS**, the Latte Treatment Center also serves as a practicum
17 site for University of Guam graduate and under-graduate students
18 studying clinical psychology, social work and counseling, and raising
19 thereby the number and technical competence of health care professionals
20 on Guam; now, therefore, be it

21 **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina' Trenta Na*
22 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby on behalf of the people of Guam,
23 congratulate the management and staff of the Latte Treatment Center in

1 recognition of their significant accomplishment of achieving full
2 accreditation by The Joint Commission for a period of three years; and be it
3 further

4 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee
5 on Rules certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof,
6 and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to the Latte Treatment
7 Center; to the Director, Department of Mental Health & Substance Abuse;
8 to the Director, Department of Integrated Services for Individuals for
9 Persons with Disabilities; to the Director, Department of Youth Affairs; to
10 Plaintiffs' and Defendants' Attorneys, U.S. District Court Civil Case CIV
11 04-00041; and to the Honorable Felix P. Camacho, *I Maga' Lâhen Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON
RULES OF I MINA' TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE ____
_____ DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2010.**

JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed. D.
Speaker

RORY J. RESPICIO
Chairperson, Committee on Rules

TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES
Legislative Secretary