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MINA'TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
2010 (Second) Regular Session

Resolution No. 493-30 (LS)

Introduced by:

FRANK B. AGUON, JR. 

**RELATIVE TO COMMENDING AND
CONGRATULATING THE STAFF AND LEADERSHIP
OF THE AYUDA FOUNDATION IN GUAM AND THE
GUAM MEMORIAL HOSPITAL AUTHORITY FOR
THE LAUNCHING OF THE GMHA MEDICAL
LIBRARY.**

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

2 **WHEREAS**, for many years the Guam Memorial Hospital have an empty
3 space on the fourth floor of the hospital building which was intended to
4 become a Medical Library; and

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6 **WHEREAS**, due to funding problems, the GMH space that was used for
7 medical library in the 1980s and 1990s was eventually used for other
8 purposes and for many years, doctors, nurses and other health
9 professionals have not had that resource; and

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11 **WHEREAS**, this exciting endeavor began in 2007 when the Robert Wood
12 Johnson Foundation (RWJF) awarded the Ayuda Foundation in Guam a
13 year-long grant for \$49,000 to support the rebuilding of the Yap State
14 Medical Library destroyed by Typhoon Sudal in 2004; and

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16 **WHEREAS**, the RWJF grant was written and implemented by Arlene
17 Cohen, a retired University of Guam Librarian and Alice Hadley, the US
18 Naval Hospital Guam Medical Librarian, together with Carlotta Leon

1 Guerrero, the Ayuda Foundation Executive Director, and Walden
2 Weillbacher , the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures Secretariat and
3 member of the Ayuda Foundation Board; and
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5 **WHEREAS**, after the success of establishing the Yap State Hospital Mark
6 Durand Medical Library in April 2008, Hadley and Cohen asked Leon
7 Guerrero and the RWJF to replicate the Yap project; and
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9 **WHEREAS**, the grant was granted to establish new hospital medical
10 libraries throughout the eight (8) other US-affiliated Pacific Islands state
11 hospitals in Palau, the FSM, the Marshall Islands, American Samoa, the
12 CNMI and Guam;
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14 **WHEREAS**, after a Needs Assessment was done by each island, they
15 worked with Michael Epp, Executive Director of the Pacific Islands Health
16 Officers Associate, to draw up a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)
17 that defined the commitments implied in the project encouraging the
18 future sustainability of the libraries; and
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20 **WHEREAS**, these commitments included having each hospital provide a
21 librarian, space for the library, Internet access, a future budget line item for
22 library materials, and support for the librarian's involvement in the Pacific
23 Islands Association of Libraries and Archieves (PIALA); and
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25 **WHEREAS**, the grant was designed to provide funding for books,
26 computers, library automation software, cataloging supplies, and training;
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29 **WHEREAS**, with the establishment of Guam Memorial Hospital Authority
30 Medical Library , the quality of care will be greatly enhanced with the
31 access the library provides ; now, therefore, be it

32 **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina' Trenta na Liheslaturan*
33 *Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, commend the Robert

1 Wood Johnson Foundation, the Ayuda Foundation, the Pacific Islands
2 Health Officers Association, all health ministers throughout the region, the
3 expertise of Arlene Cohen , Alice Hadley and Carlotta Leon Guerrero , the
4 Association of Pacific Island Legislatures Secretariat, University of Guam,
5 and the staff and management of Guam Memorial Hospital Authority for
6 realizing the importance of medical library ; and be it further

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8 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker certify, and the Chairperson of the
9 Committee on Rules certify , and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the
10 adoption thereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to
11 Arlene Cohen, Pacific Islands Library Consultant, to Alice Hadley, US
12 Naval Hospital Guam Medical Librarian, to Carlotta Leon Guerrero, the
13 Ayuda Foundation Executive Director, to Walden Weilbacher , the
14 Association of Pacific Island Legislatures Secreariat, to Peter John D.
15 Camacho, GMHA Administrator and to the Honorable Felix P. Camacho, *I*
16 *Maga'lahaen Guahan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY I MINA 'TRENTA NA
LIHESLATURAN GUAHAN ON THIS _____ DAY OF NOVEMBER
2010.**

JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed. D
Speaker

RORY J. RESPICIO
Chairperson, Committee on Rules

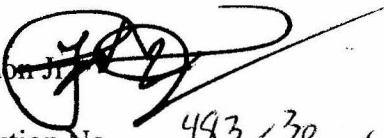
TINA MUNA-BARNES
Legislative Secretary



SENATOR FRANK B. AGUON, JR.
 Chairman, Committee on Economic Development,
 Health & Human Services, and Judiciary
I Mina'Trenta Na Liheslaturan Guåhan
 (Thirtieth Guam Legislature)



MEMORANDUM

TO: All Senators
 FROM: Senator Frank B. Aguon Jr. 
 RE: Presentation of Resolution No. 493-30 (LS)

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Your presence is cordially requested for the presentation of Resolution No. 493-30 (LS)

Relative to recognizing and congratulating the Ayuda Foundation in Guam and the Guam Memorial Hospital Administration for the launching of the Guam Memorial Hospital Authority Medical Library

Date: November 24, 2010 (WEDNESDAY)

Time: 10:00 AM

**Place: 4th Floor, GMH
 Oka, Tamuning**

cc: Clerk of the Legislature
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