

I MINA'TRENTAI SAIS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No.	Sponsor	Title	Date Intro	Date of Presentation	Date Adopted	Date Referred	Referred to	PUBLIC HEARING DATE	DATE COMMITTEE REPORT FILED	NOTES
69-36 (LS)	Therese M. Terlaje Telena Cruz Nelson	Relative to recognizing the Judiciary of Guam's Adult and Juvenile Drug Court, the U.S. District Court of Guam's Drug Offender Re-entry (DORE) Program and other therapeutic courts for being the cornerstone of criminal justice reform; and commending them for their commitment to providing support services needed to address substance abuse on our island, as they celebrate "Drug Court Month" during the month of May 2021.	4/23/21 1:25 p.m.	TBA	4/28/21					

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BE IT RESOLVED BY I MINA'TRENTAI SAIS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN:

WHEREAS, the National Association of Drug Court Professionals annually celebrates "National Drug Court Month" in order to bring attention to and celebrate the successes of treatment courts, which work to break the cycle of addiction in families and reduce the number of re-arrests and re-incarcerations; and

WHEREAS, May 2021 marks the thirty-second (32nd) year anniversary of treatment courts, and it is a time to reflect on the positive changes brought to our island community by Drug Courts and other therapeutic courts; and

WHEREAS, treatment courts, which number more than four thousand (4,000) nationwide, are now recognized as the most successful justice system intervention in serving over 1.5 million individuals; and

WHEREAS, treatment courts significantly improve substance use disorder treatment outcomes and substantially reduce addiction and related crime and do so at less expense than any other criminal justice strategy. These courts also improve education, employment, housing, and financial stability, and promote family reunification, reduce foster care placements, and increase the rate of addicted mothers delivering babies who are fully drug free; and

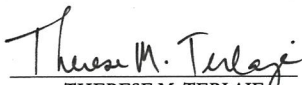
WHEREAS, the Superior Court of Guam established the first Guam Drug Court in 2002, pursuant to Public Law 26-125; and since that time, the Adult and Juvenile Drug Courts have graduated nearly four hundred (400) adults and over one hundred (100) juveniles, respectively, with hundreds enrolled in the programs collectively; and

WHEREAS, treatment courts facilitate community-wide partnerships, bringing together public safety and public health professionals, and demonstrate that when one person rises out of substance use and crime, we all rise; now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that *I Mina'trentai Sais Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, recognize the Judiciary of Guam's Adult and Juvenile Drug Courts, the U.S. District Court of Guam's Drug Offender Re-entry (DORE) Program, and other therapeutic courts, for being the cornerstone of criminal justice reform; and commend them for their commitment to providing the support services that are needed to address substance abuse on our island as they celebrate the observance of "Drug Court Month" during the month of May 2021; and be it further


RESOLVED, that the Speaker certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to the Adult Drug Court and Juvenile Drug Court, Judiciary of Guam; to the Drug Offender Re-entry (DORE) Program, U.S. District Court of Guam; and to the Honorable Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero, *I Maga'hågan Guåhan*.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY I MINA'TRENTAI SAIS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE 23RD DAY OF APRIL 2021.


THERESE M. TERLAJE
Speaker


AMANDA L. SHELTON
Legislative Secretary




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Office of the Speaker
THERESE M. TERLAJE

I Mina'trentai Sais na Liheslaturan Guåhan | 36th Guam Legislature
Committee on Health, Land, Justice and Culture

May 4, 2021

To: All Senators, Stakeholders

From: Speaker Therese M. Terlaje

Subject: **Notice of Virtual Presentations – Resolution No. 68-36 (COR) and 69-36 (COR)**
introduced by **Speaker Therese M. Terlaje / Senator Telena Cruz Nelson**

Buenas yan Håfa Adai!

Please join us for the virtual presentation of the following:

Resolution No. 68-36 (COR) – Relative to recognizing the Judiciary of Guam’s Adult and Juvenile Drug Court, the U.S. District Court of Guam’s Drug Offender Re-entry (DORE) Program and other therapeutic courts for being the cornerstone of criminal justice reform; and commending them for their commitment to providing support services needed to address substance abuse on our island, as they celebrate “Drug Court Month” during the month of May 2021.

Resolution 69-36 (COR) – Relative to recognizing April 26 to April 30, 2021 as “Reentry Court Week”; and commending individuals reentering society with the commitment to be positive and engaged citizens who make meaningful contributions to our island.

The presentation will take place on **Thursday, May 6, 2021**, at **2:30 p.m.** via the Guam Legislature’s Zoom Virtual Platform.

The presentations will be broadcast on local television, GTA Channel 21, Docomo Channel 117/112.4, and stream online via *I Liheslaturan Guåhan*’s live feed on YouTube. A recording of the legislative resolution will be available online via Guam Legislature Media on YouTube after the presentation. We look forward to your participation!

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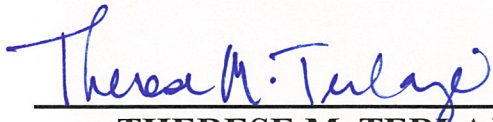
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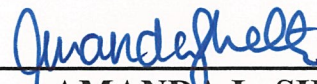
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