

**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
76-36 (LS)	Therese M. Terlaje	Relative to recognizing May 2021 as "Asthma and Allergy Awareness Month"; and commending Guam's Asthma and Allergy Support Program (GAASP) and health care professionals who treat asthma and allergy-related health conditions for promoting education, spreading awareness on its prevalence, and advancing care.	4/29/21 11:48 a.m.	5/19/21 5:00 p.m.	4/30/21					

Resolution No. 76-36 (LS)

Introduced by:

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

WHEREAS, May 2021 is recognized as "Asthma and Allergy Awareness Month" for the purposes of educating the community about asthma and allergy-related health conditions and advancing care; and

WHEREAS, asthma is a disease that affects the lungs and is one of the most common long-term diseases in children. Attacks happen in the body's airways, which swell and shrink, allowing less air in and out of the lungs and creating mucus that clogs up the airway and causes wheezing, breathlessness, chest tightness and coughing; and

WHEREAS, in the United States, one (1) in thirteen (13), or twenty-five million (25,000,000) people, have asthma and allergies, with increasing numbers each year; and

WHEREAS, asthma accounted for 1.7 million emergency department visits; and on average, ten (10) individuals die from asthma every day; and

WHEREAS, according to the 2019 Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS), a survey study revealed that five thousand five hundred fifty-six (5,556) individuals on Guam have asthma; and

WHEREAS, an allergy occurs when the body's immune system sees a certain substance as harmful and may inflame the skin, sinuses, airways or digestive system, and reactions can range from minor irritation to anaphylaxis, a potentially life-threatening emergency; and more than fifty million (50,000,000) Americans suffer from different types of allergies such as allergies to food, pollen, and drugs; and

WHEREAS, there is no cure for asthma and allergies but these diseases are manageable. Death is preventable with proper treatment and care; however, those with severe asthma and allergies may be at a greater risk of developing serious complications because of COVID-19; and

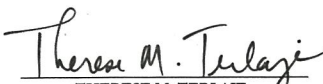
WHEREAS, the mission of the Guam Asthma and Allergy Support Program (GAASP) is to improve the health and well-being of people with asthma and allergies through education, advocacy, networking and activities. Some of its current projects include: data collection from hospitals and clinics to research how many individuals on the island have asthma and allergies; file as a nonprofit organization; recruit members and volunteers; hold monthly support meetings with medical advisors; and attend health fairs and expositions; and

WHEREAS, in May 2021 and in partnership with the Allergy & Asthma Network, GAASP launched the first nationwide Asthma Awareness Month Virtual Fitness Challenge, a month-long initiative encouraging people to get active and live healthier as research has shown regular exercise is linked to improved asthma control and a better quality of life; now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that I Mina'trentai Sais Na Liheslaturan Guåhan does hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, recognize the observance of "Asthma and Allergy Awareness Month" during the month of May 2021; and commend the Guam Asthma and Allergy Support Program (GAASP) and the health care professionals who treat asthma and allergy-related health conditions for promoting education, spreading awareness on its prevalence, and advancing the care of people with asthma and allergies; 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 Guam Asthma and Allergy Support Program (GAASP); 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 30<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF APRIL 2021.

  
THERESE M. TERLAJE  
Speaker

  
AMANDA L. SHELTON  
Legislative Secretary



 5/18/21



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 12, 2021

To: All Senators, Stakeholders

From: Speaker Therese M. Terlaje *TMT*

Subject: **Notice of Presentation— Resolution No. 76-36 (LS)**

*Buenas yan Håfa Adai!*

Please join us in presenting **Resolution No. 76-36 (LS)**— introduced by Speaker Therese M. Terlaje- “Relative to recognizing the observance of “Asthma and Allergy Awareness Month” during the month of May 2021; and commending the Guam Asthma and Allergy Support Program (GAASP) and the health care professionals who treat asthma and allergy-related health conditions for promoting education, spreading awareness on its prevalence, and advancing the care of people with asthma and allergies.”

The presentation will take place on **Wednesday, May 19, 2021, at 5:00 p.m.** at *I Liheslaturan Guåhan's* Public Hearing Room.

We look forward to your attendance and participation. *Si Yu'os Ma'åse'!*

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2021 (FIRST) Regular Session

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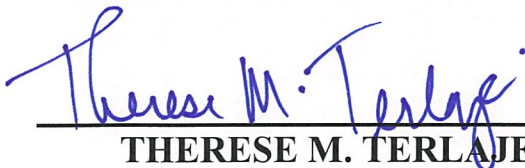
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