

***I MINA'TRENTAI SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN***  
**RESOLUTIONS**

<b>Resolution No.</b>	<b>Sponsor</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Date Intro</b>	<b>Date of Presentation</b>	<b>Date Adopted</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>	<b>Referred to</b>	<b>PUBLIC HEARING DATE</b>	<b>DATE AUTHORS REPORT FILED</b>	<b>NOTES</b>
101-37 (LS)	Roy A. B. Quinata	Relative to recognizing the Guam Chamber of Commerce on its Ninety-ninth (99th) Year Anniversary; and commending the organization for advocating for better opportunities for our local businesses to prosper and enhance the economic welfare of our island community.	4/28/23 1:17 p.m.	5/6/23 9:00 p.m.	4/28/23					

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Introduced by:

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BE IT RESOLVED BY I MINA'TRENTAI SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN GUAHAN:

WHEREAS, the Guam Chamber of Commerce was established ninety-nine (99) years ago at a luncheon meeting that was held at the Butler's Hotel on April 26, 1924. The following business pioneers chartered the organization that day: Pedro Martinez, owner of Pedro's Ice Plant; C.C. Butler, proprietor of Butler's Emporium; H.U. Umstad, Manager of Atkins Kroll & Co.; Baltazar J. Bordallo, businessman and statesman; William G. Johnston, owner of Johnston Theater; J.M. Gillespie of Pacific Distributing Corporation; and A.H. White, U.S. Navy Controller; and

WHEREAS, issues that were at the forefront of the founding directors' initiatives included the organization of business interests that would further advance and enhance the economic growth of Guam. Also at the top of the list were a fire insurance education program, trade issues, uniform commercial usages, internal and external transportation infrastructure, and agriculture – all of which have held a place on the Chamber's agenda throughout the years; and

WHEREAS, the Chamber's mission is to create an environment in which local businesses can flourish, which in turn, boosts the economic welfare of the island community; and

WHEREAS, today, the Guam Chamber of Commerce continues to be an organization of citizens that invests its time and money to improve the economic, civic, and cultural well-being of the local community; and

WHEREAS, the Chamber works toward the increasing evolution of highways, recreational areas, new industries, and the expansion of existing industries, all of which increases the demand for services; and the Chamber provides an expanding market for construction, real estate, and insurance professionals by promoting business and appealing to new industries and residents who long to make Guam their home; and

WHEREAS, members of the Guam Chamber of Commerce primarily consist of the business community, which benefits the present and future economic development of our island community; and

WHEREAS, the Guam Chamber of Commerce is a non-profit association of business and professional individuals, and firms, working together to progress and strengthen our social and economic community; and

WHEREAS, the Chamber has assumed the responsibility of strengthening the private sector by proposing solutions to community-wide problems; and in recent years it has involved itself with the problems and possible solutions of government spending levels, the promotion of a larger United States military presence on Guam, providing seminars to enhance business development and management skills, seeking Guam's inclusion in the tax treaties between the U.S. and foreign nations, promoting visa waiver programs to enhance tourism growth, and the removal of federal and local barriers to economic activity and effectiveness on Guam; and

WHEREAS, with the establishment of the *Nal' La' Bonto* Guam program in 2000, the Chamber has expressed its interest in preserving Guam's natural beauty; and to the present day, this program continues to augment the Chamber's involvement in the island's beautification; and

WHEREAS, Guam Chamber of Commerce activities are immeasurable, depending on the organization's desire and ability to carry them out; and the Chamber is active in promoting the area's economy and encouraging business and industrial investment, broadening the tax base, and providing employment. To business prospects and newcomers, the Chamber represents the community's "front door"; and

WHEREAS, the Guam Chamber of Commerce has become increasingly involved in macro-economic issues dealing with education, human relations, environmental, cultural, and governmental issues in which the Chamber has become a feasible force in seeking solutions to some of these problems; and

WHEREAS, most of the work of the Guam Chamber of Commerce is carried out by the Chamber members through a network of committees and a work plan prepared early in the administrative year that provides the layout for the Chamber's work. Volunteers from the Chamber membership are assigned to various committees that include Armed Forces Committee (AFC), Small Business Focus & Development Committee, Guam Young Professionals (GYP), Education/Workforce Development Committee, Membership Development Committee, Chamber Business Women's Network, and Legislative Review; and

WHEREAS, each member of the Guam Chamber of Commerce adheres to a Code of Ethics, which serves as an inspiration for each member to rise above minimum standards. The Chamber proclaims and reaffirms its commitment to the highest of principled free enterprise in the American democratic tradition and in the context of America's outpost in the Pacific Rim; and while each member must find within his conscience his own measure of right or wrong, as a body, the Chamber adopts this Code to encourage its members toward the common good, within its purposes, and when necessary to judge that conduct which is unbecoming of a member of the Chamber; and

WHEREAS, the Guam Chamber of Commerce remains resilient because of its vast membership, which is united in its goal of progressing the general welfare and prosperity of Guam, while being guided by its Code of Ethics; now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that I *Mina'trentai Siette Na Liheslaturan Guahan* does hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, recognize the Guam Chamber of Commerce on its Ninety-ninth (99<sup>th</sup>) Year Anniversary; and commend the organization for advocating for better opportunities for our local businesses to prosper and enhance the economic welfare of our island community; 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 Catherine S. Castro, President, Guam Chamber of Commerce; to the 2023 Executive Committee and Board of Directors of the Guam Chamber of Commerce; and to the Honorable Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero, *I Magsa'bagan Guahan*.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY I MINA'TRENTAI SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN GUAHAN ON THE 28<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF APRIL 2023.

*Therese M. Terlaje*  
THERESE M. TERLAJE  
Speaker

*Amanda L. Shelton*  
AMANDA L. SHELTON  
Legislative Secretary



5/5/23  
3:49  
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***I MINA'TRENTAI SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN***  
**2023 (FIRST) Regular Session**

**Resolution No. 101-37 (LS)**

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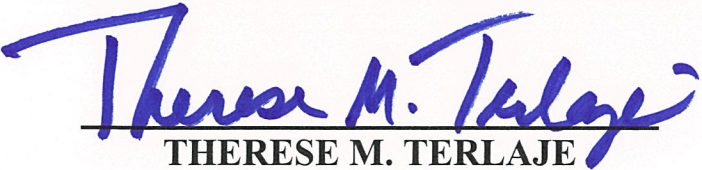
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**From:** Senator Roy Quinata <officeofsenatorquinata@guamlegislature.org>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 3, 2023 10:39 AM  
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**Subject:** Notice of Presentation - Resolution No. 101-37 (LS).  
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**May 3, 2023**

**MEMORANDUM**

**To: All Members of *I Mina'trentai Siette Na Liheslaturan Guåhan***

**From: Senator Roy A. B. Quinata**

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*Buenas yan Håfa Adai!*

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Be advised that this is a time-scheduled presentation.

I look forward to your attendance and participation.

*Si Yu'os Ma'åse'*





OFFICE OF SENATOR  
**ROY A. B. QUINATA**

*I Mina' trentai Siette na Liheslaturan Guåhan* | 37th Guam Legislature  
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