## I MINA'TRENTAI SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No.	Sponsor	Title	Date Intro	Date of Presentation	Date Adopted	Date Referred	Referred to	PUBLIC HEARING DATE	DATE AUTHORS REPORT FILED	NOTES
	Chris Barnett	Relative to recognizing the observance of "National Arts and Humanities Month" during the month of October	10/3/23	10/6/23						
212.27 (COD)		2023 in celebration of all forms of artistic expression and all cultures on Guam, and as a means to encourage	12:59 p.m.	5:30 p.m.						
212-37 (COR)		island residents to recognize those men and women who have dedicated their lives to connecting the arts and								
		humanities on Guam.								

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Resolution No. 212-37(COR)

Introduced by:	Chris Barnett
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Relative to recognizing the observance of "National Arts and Humanities Month" during the month of October 2023 in celebration of all forms of artistic expression and all cultures on Guam, and as a means to encourage island residents to recognize those men and women who have dedicated their lives to connecting the arts and humanities on Guam.

## BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF *I*MINA'TRENTAI SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN:

- WHEREAS, The Guam Council on the Arts and Humanities Agency (CAHA),
- 4 then called the Insular Arts Council (IAC), was established in 1967 by Dr. Pedro
- 5 Sanchez at the Territorial College of Guam, in an effort to administer the provisions
- 6 outlined in Public Law 89-209 that established the National Foundation of the Arts and
- 7 Humanities, enacted by President Lyndon B. Johnson in 1965; and
- 8 **WHEREAS,** the agency was dedicated to the development of programs in music,
- 9 visual arts, cultural heritage, literature, and arts education; and
- 10 **WHEREAS,** in 1975, the late Governor Ricardo J. Bordallo re-established the
- 11 Insular Arts Council as an independent arts agency of the Government of Guam, a
- designation that was further reinforced by Governor Paul Calvo in 1981; and

WHEREAS, Guam Public Law 16-122, enacted in 1982 by then Acting Governor Joseph Ada, formally established the Guam Council on the Arts and Humanities, recognizing CAHA as the official state arts agency; and

**WHEREAS,** Public Law 18-8 was enacted to ensure CAHA's existence in the support of arts on Guam, with numerous programs to include the issuance of grants to individuals and organizations for the perpetuation of arts and culture on Guam; and

WHEREAS, CAHA's vision statement is, "To inspire creativity and expression" and their mission statement is "CAHA exists to encourage and promote the artistic practice of our artisans and create opportunities for Guam residents to learn, experience, express and appreciate art and artistic talent in all its forms,"; and

WHEREAS, October is "National Arts and Humanities Month" (NAHM), a collective recognition of the importance of arts and culture in the United States, launched over 30 years ago as National Arts Week in honor of the twentieth anniversary of the National Endowment for the Arts and National Endowment for the Humanities; and

WHEREAS, in 1993, it was re-established by Americans for the Arts national arts partners as a month-long celebration with the goals of focusing on equitable access to the arts at local, state, and national levels; encouraging individuals, organizations, and diverse communities to participate in the arts; allowing government and businesses to show their support of the arts; and raising public awareness about the positive impact of the arts and humanities in our communities and lives; and

WHEREAS, the arts are a national asset that should be available to all people, everywhere, and NAHM is an opportunity for everyone to help change public perception and promote the crucial role of the arts and humanities in promoting individual well-being, addressing trauma, connecting cultures, highlighting inequities, and making our communities healthier and stronger; and

1	WHEREAS, Guam CAHA recognizes and celebrates National Arts and					
2	Humanities Month during their 56th anniversary, hosting an exhibit and out-reach					
3	programs during the month of October; now therefore, be it					
4	RESOLVED, that the Committee on Rules of I Mina'trentai Siette Na					
5	Liheslaturan Guåhan does hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, recognize the					
6	observance of "National Arts and Humanities Month" during the month of October					
7	2023 in celebration of all forms of artistic expression and all cultures on Guam, and as					
8	a means to encourage island residents to recognize those men and women who have					
9	dedicated their lives to connecting the arts and humanities on Guam; and be it further					
10	RESOLVED, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules					
11	certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of					
12	the same be thereafter transmitted to the Guam Council on the Arts and Humanities					
13	Agency (CAHA); and to the Honorable Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero, I Maga'hågan					
14	Guåhan.					
	DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF I MINA'TRENTAI SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE DAY OF October 2023.					
	THERESE M. TERLAJE Speaker  CHRIS BARNETT Chairperson, Committee on Rules					
	AMANDA L. SHELTON					
	Legislative Secretary					