

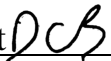
I MINA'TRENTAI SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
RESOLUTIONS

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1 **BE IT RESOLVED BY *I MINA'TRENTAI SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN***
2 ***GUÅHAN*:**

3 **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
12 designation that was further reinforced by Governor Paul Calvo in 1981; and

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

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

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

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

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

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

1 **WHEREAS**, Guam CAHA recognizes and celebrates National Arts and
2 Humanities Month during their 57th anniversary, hosting an exhibit and events during
3 the month of October; now therefore, be it

4 **RESOLVED**, that *I Mina'trentai Siette Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby,
5 on behalf of the people of Guam, recognize the observance of “National Arts and
6 Humanities Month” during the month of October 2024 in celebration of all forms of
7 artistic expression and all cultures on Guam, and as a means to encourage island
8 residents to recognize those men and women who have dedicated their lives to
9 connecting the arts and humanities on Guam; and be it further

10 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the
11 adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to the Guam
12 Council on the Arts and Humanities Agency (CAHA); and to the Honorable Lourdes
13 A. Leon Guerrero, *I Maga'hågan Guåhan*.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY *I MINA'TRENTAI SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* ON THE DAY OF October 2024.

THERESE M. TERLAJE
Speaker

AMANDA L. SHELTON
Legislative Secretary