

I MINA'TRENTAI SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
RESOLUTIONS

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

3 **WHEREAS**, H.E. Lai Ching-te, also known as William Lai, assumed office as
4 the 8th President of the Republic of China (Taiwan) in May 2024, marking a significant
5 milestone in his distinguished career of public service; and

6 **WHEREAS**, Guam and Taipei have shared a sister city relationship for over fifty
7 (50) years, established in 1973, fostering cultural and educational exchanges while
8 promoting investment and economic opportunities in collaboration with the Taipei
9 Economic and Cultural Office in Guam (TECO); and

10 **WHEREAS**, the visit of the President of Taiwan to Guam is a significant
11 moment for fostering stronger ties between Guam and Taiwan economies, highlighting
12 opportunities to increase tourism and cultural exchange; and

13 **WHEREAS**, Taiwan's contributions to Guam's economic growth are evident in
14 its investments across various sectors, including tourism, banking, insurance,
15 construction, real estate, and power generation, all of which have significantly boosted
16 Guam's economy over the past years; and

1 **WHEREAS**, the Taipei Economic and Cultural Office (TECO) in Guam,
2 representing the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of China (Taiwan), has
3 played a pivotal role in promoting meaningful partnerships, facilitating cultural and
4 educational exchanges, and advancing trade and economic collaboration; and

5 **WHEREAS**, the educational exchanges between Guam and Taiwan have
6 provided opportunities for high school and college students from Guam to study in
7 Taiwan, while medical professionals from Taiwan have supported Guam’s healthcare
8 system by sharing expertise and aiding local doctors and nurses in delivering patient
9 care; and

10 **WHEREAS**, the quality of care provided by Taiwan's medical professionals has
11 led many Guam residents to seek treatment there, highlighted by the January 2020
12 Memorandum of Understanding making Taipei Adventist Hospital a referral hospital
13 for Guam Memorial Hospital patients further enhancing the well-being of Guam’s
14 residents; and

15 **WHEREAS**, during the COVID-19 pandemic, Taiwan extended vital support to
16 Guam by providing essential medical supplies, including personal protective equipment
17 (PPE), to strengthen the island's healthcare response; and

18 **WHEREAS**, Guam’s tourism industry welcomed approximately three thousand
19 (3,000) visitors from Taiwan annually pre-pandemic and Guam’s tourism recovery
20 efforts to attract more Taiwanese visitors are supported by the recent launch of direct
21 flights; and

22 **WHEREAS**, Guam continues to welcome global leaders and President Lai
23 Ching-te’s visit to Guam provides an opportunity to celebrate shared achievements and
24 explore avenues for deeper connections in areas such as culture, education, commerce,
25 tourism, and public health; now therefore, be it

26 **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina'trentai Siette na*
27 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, welcomes His

1 Excellency (H.E.) Lai Ching-te, the eighth (8th) President of the Republic of China
2 (Taiwan); and extending appreciation for Taiwan’s significant contributions to Guam’s
3 economy and community; and be it further

4 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules
5 certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of
6 the same be thereafter transmitted to His Excellency (H.E.) Lai Ching-te, President of
7 the Republic of China (Taiwan); and to the Honorable Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero, *I*
8 *Maga'hågan Guåhan*.

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