# I MINA'TRENTAI SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN 2024 (SECOND) Regular Session VOTING RECORD

Bill No. 294-37 (COR) As amended on the Floor.	Speaker Antonio R. Unpingco Legislative Session Hall Guam Congress Building July 10, 2024					
NAME	Aye	Nay	Not Voting/ Abstained	Out During Roll Call	Absent	Excused
Senator Chris Barnett	J					
Senator Frank Blas, Jr.	J					
Senator Joanne Brown	J					
Senator Christopher M. Dueñas	J					
Senator Thomas J. Fisher	J					
Senator Jesse A. Lujan	J					
Vice Speaker Tina Rose Muña Barnes	J					
Senator William A. Parkinson	J					
Senator Sabina Flores Perez					J	J
Senator Roy A. B. Quinata	J					
Senator Joe S. San Agustin	J					
Senator Dwayne T. D. San Nicolas	J					
Senator Amanda L. Shelton	J					
Senator Telo T. Taitague	J					
Speaker Therese M. Terlaje	J					
TOTAL	14	0			1	1
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CERTIFIED TRUE AND CORRECT: JOAQUIN P. TAITAGUE Clerk of the legislature

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## AN ACT TO *ADD* A NEW § 1040 TO CHAPTER 10 OF TITLE 1, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO HONORING THE SERVICE AND SACRIFICE OF WOMEN VETERANS BY ESTABLISHING JUNE 12 OF EACH YEAR AS *WOMEN VETERANS RECOGNITION DAY*.

### **BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:**

Section 1. Legislative Findings and Intent. *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* finds that throughout every period of the history of the United States, women have proudly served in the United States military to secure and preserve the freedom and liberty of the people of the United States and its allies. Women have formally been a part of the Armed Forces since the establishment of the Army Nurse Corps in 1901 but
 have informally served since the inception of the United States military. On June 12,
 1948, President Harry S. Truman signed the "Women's Armed Services Integration
 Act" into law, enabling women to serve as permanent, regular members of the United
 States Army, Marine Corps, Navy, and Air Force.

6 I Liheslaturan Guåhan further finds that in 2023, the population of women 7 veterans was more than two million (2,000,000) and women veterans constitute 8 approximately eleven percent (11%) of the total veteran population. By designating 9 June 12 as Women Veterans Recognition Day, I Liheslaturan Guåhan reflects on the 10 growing presence of women in the Armed Forces and the National Guard and pays 11 respect to women veterans for their patriotic military service. Through this Act, I 12 *Liheslatura* calls upon our community to honor the service and sacrifice of Guam's 13 daughters, mothers, and grandmothers in uniform who have devoted their lives in 14 defense of our island and country.

15 Section 2. A new § 1040 is *added* to Chapter 10 of Title 1, Guam Code
16 Annotated, to read as follows:

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#### "§ 1040. Women Veterans Recognition Day.

18 June 12 of each year is officially declared as Women Veterans Recognition 19 Day to recognize the role of women in the U.S. Armed Forces and to commemorate 20 their sacrifices and the valor displayed by Guam women veterans. The Governor 21 shall issue a proclamation annually calling upon the people of Guam to observe Women Veterans Recognition Day, and shall appoint a Women Veterans Recognition 22 23 Day Committee to plan and make appropriate arrangements for the observance of this day. The Committee may consist of representatives from relevant government 24 25 entities including, but not limited to, the Guam Office of Veterans Affairs and the 26 Guam Veterans Commission, and other interested individuals and community organizations." 27

1 Section 3. Effective Date. This Act shall be effective upon enactment.

Section 4. Severability. If any provision of this Act or its application to any person or circumstance is found to be invalid or inorganic, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of this Act that can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this Act are severable.