

*I MINA'TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN*  
**2010 (SECOND) Regular Session**

**Resolution No. 371-30 (COR)**

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**Relative to commending and congratulating the Pacific Islands Small Business Development Center Network (PISBDCN) on the occasion of their Fifteenth (15<sup>th</sup>) Anniversary celebration, and to recognizing them for their many successful programs over the years.**

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

3           **WHEREAS**, the Pacific Islands SBDC Network's mission is to support  
4 the growth and economic development of the U.S. - affiliated islands in the  
5 Western Pacific region, by providing one-on-one confidential counseling and  
6 high quality training to existing small businesses and to small business start-  
7 ups; and

8           **WHEREAS**, the University of Guam's School of Business & Public  
9 Administration Pacific Islands Small Business Development Center Network  
10 (PISBDCN) program is celebrating the Fifteenth (15<sup>th</sup>) Anniversary of the  
11 program in Micronesia; and

12           **WHEREAS**, the program was first brought to the region in May of 1995,  
13 when the Guam SBDC was established at the University of Guam. Its  
14 network of SBDC service centers has, since then, grown to six (6) service  
15 centers throughout Micronesia, located in the Republic of Marshall Islands,  
16 Federated State of Micronesia, the Republic of Palau, and Guam, with a  
17 seventh (7<sup>th</sup>) service center being established in the Commonwealth of the  
18 Northern Mariana Islands in June 2010; and

19           **WHEREAS**, since the start of the program, the SBDC counselors and  
20 staff have assisted six thousand four hundred eighty-four (6,484) clients,  
21 providing them with over forty-five thousand (45,000) hours of counseling, as

1 well as holding one thousand eight hundred ninety-two (1,892) training  
2 events with twenty-four thousand nine hundred thirty (24,930 ) attendees; and

3       **WHEREAS**, SBDC has assisted clients in starting four hundred thirty-  
4 two (432) businesses, creating one thousand three hundred seventy-four  
5 (1,374) jobs, and retaining nine hundred seventy-three (973) jobs, and is proud  
6 to be able to serve the regional entrepreneurs that are looking to start or  
7 expand their businesses; now, therefore, be it

8       **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina'Trenta Na*  
9 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the  
10 people of Guam, commend and congratulate the Pacific Islands Small  
11 Business Development Center Network (PISBDCN) on the occasion of its  
12 Fifteenth (15<sup>th</sup>) Anniversary celebration; and does hereby recognize PISBDCN  
13 for the success of its programs; and be it further

14       **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on  
15 Rules certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and  
16 that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Mr. Casey Jeszenka,  
17 Network Director, University of Guam Pacific Islands Small Business  
18 Development Center Network program; to Dr. Robert A. Underwood,  
19 President, University of Guam; to Mr. Kenneth Lujan, Branch Manager, Small  
20 Business Administration, Guam; and to the Honorable Felix P. Camacho, *I*  
21 *Maga'lahaen Guåhan*.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES  
OF I MINA'TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN ON THE 12<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF  
MAY 2010.



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**TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES**  
Acting Speaker



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**RORY J. RESPICIO**  
Chairperson, Committee on Rules



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**RORY J. RESPICIO**  
Acting Legislative Secretary