

I MINA'TRENTAI KUÁTTRO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN
2017 (FIRST) Regular Session

Resolution No. 21-34 (COR)

Introduced by:

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Relative to commending and congratulating George Washington High School on the 50th anniversary of its Mangilao campus.

1 **BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF I**
2 ***MINA'TRENTAI KUÁTTRO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN:***

3 **WHEREAS,** George Washington High School current Mangilao campus
4 was built in 1967; and

5 **WHEREAS,** in 2017 the school marks 50 years at its current campus
6 location and is one of Guam's oldest public high school institutions with a
7 population of over 2,500 students; and

8 **WHEREAS,** the roots of school date back to 1936 when eight classrooms
9 were constructed in pre-war Agaña. The first principal was Mrs. Agueda Iglesias
10 Johnston who presided over 500 junior and senior high school students; and

11 **WHEREAS,** during the wartime bombardment of Agaña by U.S. Forces,
12 the school was reduced to rubble. It was rebuilt in November 1944, four months

13 after Guam’s liberation. Enrollment steadily increased over the years with students
14 attending from Guam, the mainland and surrounding islands and territories. In
15 1950, the school was moved to the former 5th Marine Depot in Mongmong; and

16 **WHEREAS**, Typhoon Karen destroyed the Mongmong campus on Nov. 11,
17 1962 and students endured double sessions at Tumon High School, now known as
18 John F. Kennedy High School. Double sessions continued until the current
19 Mangilao campus was completed in 1966. The first class graduated in 1967; and

20 **WHEREAS**, prominent alumni of the school include District Chief Judge
21 Frances Tydingco-Gatewood, Lt. Gov. Ray Tenorio and Guam Delegate
22 Madeleine Z. Bordallo and many, many more; and

23 **WHEREAS**, the school’s administration and faculty have demonstrated
24 immense forbearance with the age and condition of the 50-year-old campus and
25 continue to serve students with dedication and determination throughout the years;
26 and

27 **WHEREAS**, the school’s alumni will gather in August 2017 for an “every
28 graduating class ever” reunion to celebrate the long history of the school and its
29 community; now, therefore, be it

30 **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina’Trentai Kuâttro Na*
31 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the
32 people of Guam, recognize George Washington High School on its 50th
33 anniversary; and be it further

34 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on
35 Rules certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that
36 copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to the alumni and community of
37 George Washington High School; and to the Honorable Edward J.B. Calvo, *I*
38 *Maga’lahen Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES
OF *I MINA'TRENTAI KUÁTTRO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN* ON THE
____ DAY OF MONTH 2017.**

BENJAMIN J.F. CRUZ

Speaker

MICHAEL F.Q. SAN NICOLAS

Chairperson, Committee on Rules

RÉGINE BISCOE LEE

Legislative Secretary