


I MINA'TRENTAI KUÁTTRO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN
RESOLUTION STATUS

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

3 **WHEREAS**, on September 11, 2001, a series of four coordinated terrorist
4 attacks on the United States took place in New York City and the Washington, D.C.,
5 area. On that Tuesday morning, 19 terrorists from the Islamist militant group al-
6 Qaeda hijackedfour passenger jets. The hijackers intentionally crashed two

1 planes, American Airlines Flight 11 and United Airlines Flight 175, into the Twin
2 Towers of the World Trade Center in New York City; both towers collapsed within
3 two hours. Hijackers crashed American Airlines Flight 77 into the
4 Pentagon in Arlington, Virginia. The fourth jet, United Airlines Flight 93, crashed into
5 a field near Shanksville, Pennsylvania, after passengers attempted to take control
6 before it could reach the hijacker's intended target in Washington, D.C. Nearly 3,000
7 died in the attacks, and the 9/11 attacks have had broad and lasting consequences to
8 military policy, politics, and foreign relations; and

9 **WHEREAS**, women have formally been a part of the U.S. Armed Forces since
10 the inception of the Army Nurse Corps in 1901, but have informally served since the
11 inception of our nation's military. The end of conscription and the transition to the
12 All-Volunteer Force in 1973 marked a dramatic increase in the opportunities available
13 for women to serve in the military. Currently, there are over 213,000 women in the
14 Active component of the U.S. Armed Forces and about 190,000 women in the
15 Reserves and National Guard. While the proportion of women Veterans is still
16 relatively small, their numbers have been increasing over the past several decades and
17 are projected to continue increasing into the future.

18 **WHEREAS**, in 2009, women comprised 8 percent of the total Veteran
19 population in the United States. By 2035, they are projected to make up 15 percent of
20 all living Veterans; and

21 **WHEREAS**, the United States Congress has recognized that despite these
22 contributions that have tremendously shaped the identity of our nation the role of
23 women in history and their contributions to the War on Terrorism has been
24 consistently overlooked, thus this year's overarching theme is "Women: A Voice of
25 Empowerment"; and

1 **WHEREAS**, many years ago the Security Council adopted Resolution 1325 on
2 the importance of women’s participation in all areas of peace and security, including
3 conflict prevention, conflict resolution, and peacebuilding. This milestone was the
4 result of decades of activism culminating in one revolutionary idea- that peace is
5 inextricably linked with equality between men and women. Overwhelming evidence
6 from around the world shows that women’s empowerment is a powerful force for
7 economic growth, social and political stability, and sustainable peace; and

8 **WHEREAS**, it is incumbent upon the people of Guam to recognize and
9 acknowledge the people and organizations who have made significant contributions to
10 our quality of life; and *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* (the Guam Legislature) proudly honors
11 Guam’s women veterans for their courageous service, selfless sacrifices, and for their
12 continued resolve to remain active, supportive members of our community; and

13 **WHEREAS**, to commemorate the events of September 11, 2001, also known
14 as 9/11, the Women Veterans of America, Chapter 43, The Guam Veteran Center, and
15 the Department of Labor are sponsoring the tenth (10th) Women Veterans Conference,
16 with the primary goal of recognizing the contributions women veterans have made
17 through their military service and within their communities; and

18 **WHEREAS**, the Conference seeks to provide current information regrading
19 Veteran Services and Benefits available to veterans, and encouraging women veterans
20 to utilize such existing services; to promote greater understanding of women issues by
21 obtaining input from women veterans; and to build resilience through better
22 understanding of issues and promoting the unique role women have within our
23 community; now, therefore, be it

24 **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina'Trentai Kuattro Na*
25 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, commend the
26 organizers of the tenth (10th) Women Veterans Conference for their foresight and

1 continued commitment to recognizing the contributions women veterans have made
2 for their island, for their nation, and for the world; in commemoration of the events of
3 “9/11”, and to commending all women for their contributions to our island
4 community, and encouraging all residents to observe this special month by giving
5 respect, recognition and admiration to our women for the historic contributions to the
6 growth and strength of our island; and does further extend a warm *Un Dangkolo na Si*
7 *Yu'os Ma'ase* to them for continuing to honor the brave women of Guam who
8 answered the selfless call to serve in our nation’s armed forces; and be it further

9 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules
10 certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of
11 the same be thereafter transmitted to the Women Veterans of America, Chapter 43; to
12 the Guam Department of Labor; to the Guam Veteran Center; to the U.S. Navy; to the
13 U.S. Airforce; to the Guam National Guam National Guard; to the Small Business
14 Administration; to the Honorable Madeleine Z. Bordallo, Guam’s Delegate to the
15 United States Congress; and to the Honorable Edward J.B. Calvo, *I Maga'lahren*
16 *Guahan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE OF RULES OF
I MINA'TRENTAI KUATTRO NA LIHESLATURAN GUAHAN ON THE ____
DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2017.**

BENJAMIN J. F. CRUZ
Speaker

REGINE BISCOE LEE
Chairman, Committee on Rules

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Legislative Secretary