

I MINA'TRENTAI KUÅTTRO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
RESOLUTION STATUS

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Introduced by:

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

3 **WHEREAS**, it is the custom of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* to recognize those
4 illustrious organizations of this great island whose focus and intent have made a
5 substantial impact on the quality of life in their communities; to commend those
6 organizations that distinguish themselves through outstanding professionalism,
7 profound compassion, and enduring commitment to the community they serve; and
8 to recognize the collective achievements of those dedicated individuals who have
9 substantially contributed to the welfare of our island community and its residents;
10 and

11 **WHEREAS**, attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its
12 longstanding traditions, *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* is justly proud to congratulate

1 Sanctuary, Incorporated of Guam (Sanctuary, Inc.) on the occasion of celebrating
2 its Forty-sixth (46th) Year Anniversary on Friday, November 3, 2017; to commend
3 the organization for securing continuous accreditation from the Commission on
4 Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF) International; and to recognize
5 the Board of Directors, staff, volunteers, and supporters for their notable
6 contributions to the welfare of the youth and families of Guam; and on the
7 observance of “Sanctuary, Incorporated Month” during the month of November
8 2017; and

9 **WHEREAS**, established in 1971 by Capuchin friar Fr. Robert Phelps, OFM
10 Cap, and founding Executive Director Mr. Luis Martinez to create a safe and
11 temporary alternative to correctional detention for Guam’s troubled youth,
12 Sanctuary, Inc. has since expanded its mission, facility and programs as a
13 community-based organization that exists to improve the quality of life for the
14 island’s youth, to promote reconciliation during times of family conflicts, to foster
15 the development of responsible community members, and to advocate for their
16 needs in an effort to preserve family unity by providing a multitude of services;
17 and

18 **WHEREAS**, in its tireless efforts to fulfill its mission of “Helping Youth
19 and Families Help Themselves,” Sanctuary, Inc. has been providing invaluable
20 assistance to the greater community by remaining at the forefront of delivering
21 services to runaways, homeless, and troubled youth and their families; expanding
22 its programs to better address the needs of our island's children who confront many
23 difficult issues such as physical and emotional abuse, sexual abuse, gang
24 involvement, negative peer pressure, and substance abuse; and helping to provide a
25 firm foundation that will assist children and youth to be better able to face the
26 challenges of the future; and

27 **WHEREAS**, Sanctuary, Inc., has served two hundred thirty-three (233)
28 clients in Fiscal Year 2017 and continues to strive to implement programs,

1 initiatives, and services to assist youth and families, to include: three (3) shelters; a
2 range of psycho-education classes and groups including two (2) levels of outpatient
3 drug and alcohol classes, and specialized support groups for parenting skills, and
4 adult and youth anger management; a twenty-four- (24) hour crisis hotline;
5 HIV/STD testing and education; client advocacy; case management services;
6 tobacco cessation courses, and aftercare services; and

7 **WHEREAS**, at the crux of the services provided by Sanctuary, Inc. are the
8 three (3) temporary housing programs utilized by seventy (70) clients in Fiscal
9 Year 2017. Fifty (50) clients were served by the CO-ED Emergency Shelter in
10 *Chalan Pago*, a temporary housing facility that provides thirty (30) days respite to
11 children ages twelve (12) to seventeen (17) years who are runaway, homeless or
12 victims of abuse, and is capable of housing up to eighteen (18) children. A total of
13 seventeen (17) clients, nine (9) of whom have completed the program, were served
14 by *Sagan Na'homlo' Para I Manhoben* (“a place to heal for the youth”) in
15 *Mangilao*, the island’s only drug and alcohol residential treatment facility for
16 substance dependent youth ages twelve (12) to seventeen (17) years. Fondly called
17 the “Lujan House” since its donation by Attorney David Lujan in the mid-1990s,
18 this facility provides a three (3) to six (6) month residential program that
19 implements an evidence-based Matrix Model curriculum encompassing five (5)
20 phases of treatment (Orientation, Awareness, Enhancement, Enlightenment, and
21 Empowerment). As clients live in a therapeutic community, youth and families
22 participate in counseling services related to substance use and abuse, relapse
23 prevention, emotional wellness, and adolescent education; and three (3) clients
24 were served by the Permanent Housing Program (PHP), which can accommodate
25 up to four (4) homeless youth between the ages of eighteen (18) and twenty-four
26 (24) years, helping them work towards independent living and self-sufficiency by
27 providing shelter, supportive counseling, and life-skills instruction; and

1 **WHEREAS**, after four (4) years of not receiving any federal funding
2 sources, Sanctuary was successful in acquiring two (2) federal grants, to include
3 the Basic Center Program which was received in Fiscal Year 2017, and the
4 Transitional Living Program (TLP) program, which was recently secured for Fiscal
5 Year 2018. Both federal grants are funded by the Family and Youth Services
6 Bureau (FYSB) of the Administration for Children and Families (ACF), under the
7 U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, whose mission is to promote
8 safety, stability, and well-being for people who have experienced or been exposed
9 to violence, neglect or trauma; and

10 **WHEREAS**, in line with its community development efforts, Sanctuary,
11 Inc. is also host to the largest AmeriCorps program in Guam with fifty (50)
12 members; *Ayuda Para I Komunidat* (“help for the community”) provide its
13 members with enrichment activities and opportunities to assist and mentor youth at
14 the Sanctuary, Inc. shelters as well as three (3) Department of Affairs resource
15 centers and a number of Guam Department of Education (GDOE) middle schools;
16 and they co-facilitate Sanctuary, Inc. support groups, attend various conferences
17 and workshops, and receive training in community emergency response, first aid,
18 and cardiopulmonary rescue (CPR); and

19 **WHEREAS**, as the first human services organization in the Pacific region to
20 receive full accreditation by the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation
21 Facilities (CARF) International in 2008, Sanctuary, Inc. has since maintained its
22 accreditation from CARF International and was awarded the maximum number of
23 years, Three (3) Year Accreditation, on Monday, June 26, 2017. Accreditation by
24 CARF International signifies that Sanctuary, Inc., in the Child and Youth Services
25 Field, met annual conformance requirements in over one hundred twenty-five
26 (125) quality standards that enhance the lives of children and families that
27 Sanctuary, Inc. serves. The intensive survey of Sanctuary, Inc.’s administration and
28 programs took place on May 17-19, 2017, with CARF Administrative Surveyor,

1 John Page, ACSW, LAPSW and Program Surveyor, Conny Anderson, Ph.D.
2 visiting the organization. The 2017 Accreditation is an indication of Sanctuary's
3 dedication to delivering quality service and marks Sanctuary, Inc.'s fourth (4th)
4 Accreditation Survey.

5 **WHEREAS**, receiving an outpouring of support from individuals, private
6 businesses, and the general public over the last forty-six (46) years, Sanctuary, Inc.
7 is an indisputable partner of the community and is made up of a diverse group of
8 individuals who are passionate and committed to helping youth and their families.
9 Its Board of Directors is comprised of Chairperson Ms. Rindraty Limtiaco, Vice
10 Chairperson Mr. Nathan Taimanglo, Treasurer Mrs. Maria Leon Guerrero,
11 Secretary Dr. KristiAnna Santos, and Members Pãle' Mike Crisostomo, Mrs.
12 Guadalupe Guzman, Mrs. Jackie Perez, Attorney Rodney Jacob, Attorney Ray
13 Haddock, Mrs. Marilyn Borja, and Mr. Sean Rupley. Ms. Theresa C. Arriola
14 currently serves as the organization's Executive Director and heads a staff of forty-
15 five (45) dedicated individuals; and

16 **WHEREAS**, a true asset to society, Sanctuary, Inc. has serviced thousands
17 of clients since its founding, benefiting from outreach, prevention, and
18 rehabilitation programs yearly. Sanctuary, Inc. continues their efforts to increase
19 awareness about programs and services by encouraging island residents to join
20 various events throughout the month of November 2017; and

21 **WHEREAS**, it is the sense of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* that when
22 organizations of such noble aims and accomplishments, and tremendous impact to
23 society, are brought to our attention, they should be celebrated and recognized by
24 all the residents of this great island; now, therefore, be it

25 **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina'Trentai Kuåtro na*
26 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan*,
27 congratulate Sanctuary, Incorporated of Guam on the occasion of celebrating its
28 Forty-sixth (46th) Year Anniversary, and does further commend the organization

1 for securing continuous accreditation from the Commission on Accreditation of
2 Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF) International; and does further recognize the
3 Board of Directors, staff, volunteers and supporters of Sanctuary, Inc. for their
4 notable contributions to the welfare of the youth and families of Guam; and on the
5 observance of “Sanctuary, Incorporated Month” during the month of November
6 2017; and be it further

7 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on
8 Rules certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that
9 copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to be thereafter transmitted to
10 Sanctuary, Incorporated of Guam; and the Honorable Edward J.B. Calvo, *I*
11 *Maga'låhen Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES
OF I MINA'TRENTAI KUÁTRO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON
THE ___ DAY OF _____ 2017.**

BENJAMIN J.F. CRUZ
Speaker

RÉGINE BISCOE LEE
Chairperson, Committee on Rules

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Legislative Secretary