



I MINA'TRENTAI KUÁTTRO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN
RESOLUTION STATUS

Resolution No.	Sponsor	Title	Date Intro	Date of Presentation	Date Adopted	Date Referred	Referred to	PUBLIC HEARING DATE	DATE COMMITTEE REPORT FILED	NOTES
287-34 (COR)	Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr. Joe S. San Agustin	Relative to commending and congratulating Guam Diabetes Association on their 18th Annual Diabetes Conference; to welcoming Dr. Wilfred Y. Fujimoto, MD; Dr. Jonnah Baltasar Pelat, MD, FPCP, FPCC, FPSE; and Dr. Vincent P. Diego, PhD; as the conference guest speakers; and to further extending a warm and sincere Un Dangkolo Na Si Yu'os Ma'áse' to them for their commitment and dedication to being strong advocates and contributors in the fight against diabetes for all the people of Guam.	11/03/17 4:11 p.m.	11/12/17 8:00 a.m.						

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2017 (FIRST) Regular Session

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Introduced by:

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BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF I MINA'TRENTAI KUATTRO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN:

WHEREAS, The Guam Diabetes Association was founded by Mr. Albert Carbullido in 1982 and was the Association's first President which began with only 7 members; and

WHEREAS, in 1992, Carl T. Butler became the Guam Diabetes Association's second President with members raising to what is more than 80 members to date; and

WHEREAS, as a committee support group, the Guam Diabetes Association has members and families that struggle with diabetes and reaches out by having monthly diabetes sessions, membership and board meetings; and

WHEREAS, the mission of the Guam Diabetes Association is fulfilled in the active participation of each member, reaching out with educational awareness and

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insight to all the people on Guam who, in one way or another, is affected by diabetes; and

WHEREAS, the 18th Annual Guam Diabetes Conference is spearheaded by the generous support of the Association's leadership in: President Scott Duenas; Vice President Clara Peterson; Secretary Glynis Almonte; Treasurer Elizabeth Kenworthy; Auditor Linda Simon; Board Members Patrick Lucas, Del Agahan, Ginny Caceres, Alan Wang and Rick San Nicolas; along with their Executive Director Winnie Butler and President Emeritus Carl T. Butler; and

WHEREAS, the Guam Diabetes Association has speakers from on and off island to cover topics on foot, eye, dental care, self-blood glucose monitoring, nutrition, and physical activity and its relation to the education on prevention, control and management of diabetes; and

WHEREAS, the mission of the 18th Annual Diabetes Conference is enhanced through the expertise of medical professionals who provide insight and consults with health and healing for all affected by diabetes; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Wilfred Y. Fujimoto, M.D., is the first guest speaker of 18th Annual Guam Diabetes Conference and his topic of speech is on "Cardiovascular Disease and Diabetes". He is Professor Emeritus of Medicine at the University of Washington. Dr. Fujimoto was closely involved in the development of the protocol for the "Diabetes Prevention Program" in the United States and chaired the Recruitment and Retention Committee of this landmark study; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Fujimoto has been a co-investigator in the "American Diabetes Association GENNID Study" and in the "SEARCH for Diabetes in Youth Study". He has authored and co-authored over 300 research papers, reviews and book chapters. He has given numerous local, national and international lectures and received numerous awards over the years; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Jonnah Baltasar Pelat, MD, FPCP, FPCC, FPSE is the second guest speaker. She is an Adult Cardiologist from the St. Luke's Medical Center in Global City Philippines and her topic of speech is on "Diabetes and the Heart". Dr. Pelat obtained her degree in East Ramon Magsaysay Memorial Medical Center then underwent training in internal medicine and cardiology at the National Kidney & Transplant Institute and St. Luke's Medical Center; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Pelat's research papers and abstracts were published in the Journal of Clinical Ultrasound, Journal of Heart Disease, Circulation, and Journal of the American College of Cardiology. Dr. Pelat presented her papers in both local and international conventions and was awarded as the most outstanding training fellow in cardiology in St. Lukes Medical Center and by the Philippine Heart Association in 2003. She is presently the Training Officer in Echocardiography; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Vincent P. Diego, is the third guest speaker and his topic of speech is on "How Diabetes Affects the Heart: A Genetics Perspective". He was born and raised on Guam and is currently an Assistant Professor at the South Texas Diabetes and Obesity Institute in the School of Medicine, The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Diego's work focus is in the statistical genetics of complex diseases and aging. He discovered that socioeconomic status environment has a marked influence on the underlying genetics of important risk factors of the metabolic syndrome which includes obesity, type 2 diabetes, and cardiovascular disease. Lately, Dr. Diego has focused his efforts in the integration of network biology with statistical genetics along several novel theoretical fronts, including biological age algorithms applied to gene expression networks, gene pathway kernel modeling, and vector subspace comparisons; and

WHEREAS, the Guam Diabetes Association is to be commended for the decades of service it has provided to the people of Guam with the hundreds of educational outreach programs and health fairs to provide information for proper nutrition, exercise and healthy living; and now be it

RESOLVED, that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina'Trentai Kuåttro Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, commend and congratulate the Guam Diabetes Association on their 18th Annual Diabetes Conference; to welcoming Dr. Wilfred Y. Fujimoto, MD; Dr. Jonnah Baltasar Pelat, MD, FPCP, FPCC, FPSE; and Dr. Vincent P. Diego, PhD; to Guam as the conference guest speakers; and to further extending a warm and sincere *Un Dångkolo Na Si Yu'os Ma'åse'* to them for their commitment and dedication to being strong advocates and contributors in the fight against diabetes for all the people of Guam; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Speaker certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to the Guam Diabetes Association; to Dr. Wilfred Y. Fujimoto, MD; Dr. Jonnah Baltasar Pelat, MD, FPCP, FPCC, FPSE; Dr. Vincent P. Diego, PhD; and to the Honorable Edward J.B. Calvo, *I Maga'lahaen Guåhan*.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY I MINA'TRENTAI KUÅTTRO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE __ DAY OF NOVEMBER 2017.

Benjamin J.F. Cruz
Speaker

Régine Biscoe Lee
Chairperson, Committee on Rules

Régine Biscoe Lee
Legislative Secretary