

I MINA 'TRENTAI KUATTRO NA LIHESLATURAN GUAHAN
RESOLUTION STATUS

Resolution No.	Sponsor	Title	Date Intro	Date of Presentation	Date Adopted
373-34 (COR)	Therese M. Terlaje	Relative to supporting and recognizing the Guam Coalition Against Sexual Assault & Family Violence, and the numerous community advocates, organizations and government agencies in their efforts to raise public awareness during “National Child Abuse Prevention Month” and “Sexual Assault Awareness Month” during the month of April 2018.	3/27/18 11:03 a.m.	4/3/18 11:00 a.m.	3/29/18 1:17 p.m.

Resolution No. 373-34 (COR)

Introduced by:

Thomas C. Ada	Tommy Morrison
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BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF I MINA'TRENTAI KUATTRO NA LIHESLATURAN GUAHAN:

WHEREAS, Guam joins the nation in recognizing the month of April 2018 as "Child Abuse Prevention Month" and "Sexual Assault Awareness Month"; and

WHEREAS, "Child Abuse Prevention Month" is aimed at bringing to light the abuse and neglect suffered by children, and the need to provide programs to prevent child abuse and to assist parents and families affected by child mistreatment; and

WHEREAS, the theme for "Child Abuse Prevention Month" during April 2018 is "Strong Communities Strengthen Families," and it is a time to acknowledge the importance of families and communities working together to prevent child abuse and neglect, and to promote the social and emotional well-being of children and families; and

WHEREAS, the Administration of Children and Families (ACF), a division of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), promotes the economic and social well-being of families, children, individuals, and communities with funding, strategic partnerships, guidance, training, and technical assistance; and, it reports a steady decrease in child abuse and neglect; and

WHEREAS, according to the Guam Police Department, in 2017, eighty (80) child abuse-related cases were reported; and, out of the eighty (80) child abuse-related cases, forty-one (41) child abuse-related cases resulted in arrest; and

WHEREAS, in 2017, Guam's Child Protective Services (CPS) reported two thousand two hundred five (2,205) cases of maltreatment, including physical abuse, sexual abuse, emotional abuse, and various forms of neglect; and, it made referrals for children who were at-risk due to drug use by caretakers, exposure to family violence, alcohol abuse, and teen suicide; and

WHEREAS, child abuse prevention programs succeed at the community level because of the partnerships forged among families, social service agencies, schools, religious and civic organizations, and law enforcement agencies; and

WHEREAS, "Sexual Assault Awareness Month" is aimed at bringing attention to the fact that rape and sexual assault remain serious issues in our community; and the April 2018 theme for "Sexual Assault Awareness Month" is "Embrace Your Voice," which encourages the many ways to embrace one's voice - from practicing or providing consent to speaking out against stereotypes or gender biases; and

WHEREAS, with Guam having the second-highest number of rapes per capita, Guam's only rape crisis center, the Healing Hearts Crisis Center, reported serving nine hundred three (903) victims of sexual assault between 2008 and 2015, according to the Guam Coalition Against Sexual Assault and Family Violence; and

WHEREAS, the national rate for reported rapes is 25.2 per one hundred thousand (100,000) people. But on Guam, there are 64.2 reported rapes per one hundred thousand (100,000) people. Of the fifty (50) states, only Alaska, with a rate of 87.6 reported rapes per one hundred thousand (100,000) people, has a higher rate than Guam; and

WHEREAS, the Healing Hearts Crisis Center's 2016 statistics show that eighty-seven (87) sexual assault cases were reported, with sixty-nine (69) of those cases involving minors; and

WHEREAS, the Healing Hearts Crisis Center's 2016 statistics also show that of the eighty-seven (87) sexual assault cases reported, four (4) were males, and eighty-three (83) were females; and

WHEREAS, the Healing Hearts Crisis Center's 2016 statistics show that of the eighty-seven (87) sexual assault cases reported, sixty-four percent (64%) of the sexual assault perpetrators were family members of the victim, twenty-seven percent (27%) of the sexual assault perpetrators were acquaintances of the victim; five percent (5%) of the sexual assault perpetrators were strangers to the victim; and four percent (4%) of the sexual assault perpetrators were unknown to the victim; and

WHEREAS, the Healing Hearts Crisis Center's 2016 statistics show that of the eighty-seven (87) sexual assault cases reported, thirty-nine percent (39%) were Chamorro; seventeen percent (17%) were of mixed ethnicities; twelve percent (12%) were Filipino; nine percent (9%) were Chuukese; seven percent (7%) were Caucasian; four percent (4%) were Pohnpeian; three percent (3%) did not disclose their ethnicity; two percent (2%) were Japanese; two percent (2%) were Yapese; one percent (1%) were Kosraean; one percent (1%) were African-American; one percent (1%) were Chinese; one percent (1%) were Korean; and one percent (1%) were Palauan; and

WHEREAS, according to the Guam Police Department, in 2017, a total of two hundred twenty-eight (228) sexual assault-related cases were reported; and, of the two hundred twenty-eight (228) sexual assault-related cases reported, one hundred nine (109) cases resulted in arrest; and

WHEREAS, the survivors of sexual assault deserve to be treated with dignity, compassion, and respect; and, sexual assault impacts women, children, and men of all racial, cultural, and economic backgrounds; and

WHEREAS, it is essential that services and support programs are provided to sexual assault survivors to help them cope with the consequences of sexual assault through counseling, medical services, food, and transportation; and

WHEREAS, the Guam Coalition Against Sexual Assault & Family Violence, in collaboration with the Healing Hearts Crisis Center, have forged partnerships with government agencies and private organizations to enhance the quality of care for survivors of sexual violence; now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Committee on Rules of I Mina'Trentai Kuattro Na Liheslaturan Guahan does hereby, on behalf of I Liheslaturan Guahan and the people of Guam, support and recognize the Guam Coalition Against Sexual Assault & Family Violence, and the numerous community advocates, organizations, and government agencies, in their efforts to raise public awareness during "Child Abuse Prevention Month" and "Sexual Assault Awareness Month" during the month of April 2018; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to the Honorable Katherine A. Maramba, Chief Justice, Supreme Court of Guam; to the Honorable Frances Tydingco-Gatewood, Chief Judge, U.S. District Court of Guam; to the Honorable Elizabeth Barrett-Anderson, Attorney General of Guam; to Chief of Police Joseph I. Cruz, Guam Police Department; to Attorney Stephen Hutton, Executive Director, Public Defender Service Corporation; to Jon Fernandez, Superintendent, Guam Department of Education; to Dr. Robert Underwood, President, University of Guam; to Dr. Mary A.Y. Okada, President, Guam Community College; to Rey Vega, Director, Guam Behavioral Health and Wellness Center; to Leo G. Cast, Acting Director, Department of Public Health and Social Services; to Peter Alcevis Ada, Director, Department of Youth Affairs; to Cynthia Cabot, Executive Director, Guam Coalition Against Sexual Assault & Family Violence; to the Honorable Shawn N. Andersen, United States Attorney; to Rear Admiral Shoshana S. Chatfield, Commander, Joint Region Marianas; to Brigadier General Douglas A. Cox, Commander, 36th Wing, Andersen Air Force Base; to Captain Hans E. Sholley, Commanding Officer, Naval Base Guam; to Captain Christopher M. Chase, Commander, U.S. Coast Guard Sector Guam; to Major General Rodrick Leon Guerrero, Adjutant General, Guam Army National Guard; and to the Honorable Edward J.B. Galvo, I Mag'laha Guahan.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF I MINA'TRENTAI KUATTRO NA LIHESLATURAN GUAHAN ON THE 29TH DAY OF MARCH 2018.

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BENJAMIN J.F. CRUZ
Speaker

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REGINE ISCOE LEE
Chairperson, Committee on Rules

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REGINE ISCOE LEE
Legislative Secretary



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**OFFICE OF THE VICE SPEAKER
THERESE M. TERLAJE
Chairperson of the Committee
On Culture and Justice**

*I Mina'trentai Kuáttro na Liheslaturan Guåhan
34th Guam Legislature*

March 27, 2018

MEMORANDUM

TO: All Honorable Senators
FROM: Vice Speaker Therese M. Terlaje *TMS*
SUBJECT: Resolution Presentation

Buenas yan Háfa Adai!

Your presence is kindly requested at the presentation of **Resolution No. 373-34 (COR)**, sponsored by Therese M. Terlaje, "Relative to supporting and recognizing the Guam Coalition Against Sexual Assault & Family Violence, and the numerous community advocates, organizations and government agencies in their efforts to raise public awareness during "National Child Abuse Prevention Month" and "Sexual Assault Awareness Month" during the month of April 2018."

DATE: Tuesday, April 3, 2018
TIME: 11:00 a.m.
PLACE: Guam Community College Multipurpose Auditorium

CC: Clerks
MIS
Sergeant-At-Arms
Protocol

I MINA'TRENTAI KUÁTTRO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN
2018 (SECOND) Regular Session

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2 ***MINA'TRENTAI KUÁTTRO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN:***

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2 abuse and neglect suffered by children, and the need to provide programs to prevent
3 child abuse and to assist parents and families affected by child mistreatment; and

4 **WHEREAS**, the theme for “Child Abuse Prevention Month” during April 2018
5 is “Strong Communities Strengthen Families;” and, it is a time to acknowledge the
6 importance of families and communities working together to prevent child abuse and
7 neglect, and to promote the social and emotional well-being of children and families;
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10 the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), promotes the economic and
11 social well-being of families, children, individuals, and communities with funding,
12 strategic partnerships, guidance, training, and technical assistance; and, it reports a
13 steady decrease in child abuse and neglect; and

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15 child abuse-related cases were reported; and, out of the eighty (80) child abuse-related
16 cases, forty-one (41) child abuse-related cases resulted in arrest; and

17 **WHEREAS**, in 2017, Guam’s Child Protective Services (CPS) reported two
18 thousand two hundred five (2,205) cases of maltreatment, including physical abuse,
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20 children who were at-risk due to drug use by caretakers, exposure to family violence,
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10 reported rapes per one hundred thousand (100,000) people, has a higher rate than Guam;
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19 **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina'Trentai Kuåttro Na*
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21 of Guam, support and recognize the Guam Coalition Against Sexual Assault & Family
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4 Attorney General of Guam; to Chief of Police Joseph I. Cruz, Guam Police Department;
5 to Attorney Stephen Hattori, Executive Director, Public Defender Service Corporation;
6 to Jon Fernandez, Superintendent, Guam Department of Education; to Dr. Robert
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9 Center; to Leo G. Casil, Acting Director, Department of Public Health and Social
10 Services; to Peter Alecxis Ada, Director, Department of Youth Affairs; to Cynthia
11 Cabot, Executive Director, Guam Coalition Against Sexual Assault & Family Violence;
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13 Shoshana S. Chatfield, Commander, Joint Region Marianas; to Brigadier General
14 Douglas A. Cox, Commander, 36th Wing, Andersen Air Force Base; to Captain Hans E.
15 Sholley, Commanding Officer, Naval Base Guam; to Captain Christopher M. Chase,
16 Commander, U.S. Coast Guard Sector Guam; to Major General Roderick Leon
17 Guerrero, Adjutant General, Guam Army National Guard; and to the Honorable Edward
18 J.B. Calvo, *I Maga'låhen Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF
I MINA'TRENTAI KUÅTTRO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE 29TH
DAY OF MARCH 2018.**



BENJAMIN J.F. CRUZ
Speaker



REGINE BISCOE LEE
Chairperson, Committee on Rules



REGINE BISCOE LEE
Legislative Secretary

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Vice Chairperson

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COMMITTEE VOTING SHEET

Resolution No. 373-34 (COR) — Therese M. Terlaje — “Relative to supporting and recognizing the Guam Coalition Against Sexual Assault & Family Violence, and the numerous community advocates, organizations, and government agencies, in their efforts to raise public awareness during “National Child Abuse Prevention Month” and “Sexual Assault Awareness Month” during the month of April 2018.

	SIGNATURE	DATE	TO ADOPT	TO NOT ADOPT	TO ABSTAIN	
Legislative Secretary Régine Biscoe Lee Chairperson	<i>R. Biscoe</i>	3/29/18	✓			
Senator Thomas C. Ada Vice Chairperson						
Speaker Benjamin J. F. Cruz Member						
Vice-Speaker Therese M. Terlaje Member	<i>T. Terlaje</i>	3/29/18	✓		2018 MAR 29 PM 1:17 OS	
Senator Frank B. Aguon, Jr. Member	<i>F. Aguon</i>	3/29/18	✓			
Senator Telena Cruz Nelson Member	<i>T. Nelson</i>	3/29/18	✓			
Senator Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr. Member						
Senator Joe S. San Agustin Member	<i>J. San Agustin</i>	3/29/18	✓			
Senator Michael F.Q. San Nicolas Member	<i>M. San Nicolas</i>	3/29/18	✓			
Senator James V. Espaldon Minority Leader						
Senator Mary Camacho Torres Minority Member						
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Staff Contact Person: <i>Nicole Santos</i>						
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Certified <input type="checkbox"/> Returned Name: <i>CHRISTIAN CRUZ</i> Date: _____ Notes: _____						

