

I MINA'TRENTAI KUÅTTRO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
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
74-34 (COR)	Therese M. Terlaje Telena C. Nelson Régine Biscoe Lee	Relative to commending the dedicated employees and volunteers in government and non-profit organizations who continue their tireless efforts providing critical support and assistance to crime victims, and to further recognizing April 2 to April 8, 2017, as "National Crime Victims' Rights Week.	4/4/2017 4:22 p.m.	4/8/2017 10:10 a.m.	04/07/17 3:20 p.m.					

Resolution No. 74-34 (COR)

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Relative to recognizing and commending the dedicated employees and volunteers in government and non-profit organizations who continue their tireless efforts in providing critical support and assistance to crime victims; and to further acknowledging them on the observance of "National Crime Victims' Rights Week" from April 2 to April 8, 2017.

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

WHEREAS, "National Crime Victims' Rights Week" was declared by President Ronald W. Reagan in 1981 to help increase public awareness of the rights, needs, and concerns of victims and survivors of crime; and

WHEREAS, since 1981, "National Crime Victims' Rights Week" is celebrated every year during the month of April, and allows the people of Guam and our nation to acknowledge and reflect on the devastating impact of various criminal acts against individuals, families, and communities. Crime can leave a lasting physical, emotional, and financial impact on people of all ages, economic, racial, and social backgrounds. The victimization also impacts families, friends, and the community as a whole. "National Crime Victims' Rights Week" allows us to renew our commitment to guarantee that all victims and survivors of crime have access to services, which are necessary to aid in the healing process and restore their sense of self-empowerment. Victims and survivors of crime who are offered support and services are more likely to disclose their victimization, seek help, and participate in the justice process; and

WHEREAS, "National Crime Victims' Rights Week" makes it possible for the people of Guam and the thousands of communities across the nation to honor those who have come before us who dedicated their lives to crime victims' rights. Furthermore, during this week, there is the opportunity to recognize the many organizations and government entities that continue to ensure that critical resources and services are available to help crime victims begin rebuilding their lives. A multidisciplinary response, involving collaboration among victim service professionals, criminal justice officials, legal professionals, medical and mental health providers, and community leaders is necessary to reach and serve all victims and survivors of crime—especially those who are marginalized, have disabilities, or live in remote locations; and

WHEREAS, the organizations that serve victims and survivors of crime on Guam include: the Victim Service Center of the Office of the Attorney General of Guam; the Guam Police Department's Criminal Investigation Section and Domestic Assault Response Team; the Guam Fire Department; the Department of Corrections Parole Services; the Guam Judiciary's Marshal and Probation Divisions; the Catholic Social Service, *Alo* Shelter; Victim Advocates Reaching Out (VARO); Enca's House; the Guam Legal Services Corporation; *Guam Miami, Inc.*; the Archdiocese of *Agaña*; the Public Defender Service Corporation; Guam Behavioral Health and Wellness Center, Healing Hearts Crisis Center; the Department of Public Health and Social Services, Child and Adult Protective Services Divisions; Sanctuary, Inc.; the Sexual Assault Victim Intervention Advocates; the Andersen Family Advocacy Program; the Navy Family Advocacy Committee; the Superior Court of Guam, Client Services and Family Counseling Division; the Department of Youth Affairs; the Governor's Community Outreach Federal Programs Office; Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD); the Office of the Public Guardian; Rainbows for All Children; *Inglis' Moolik*; Oasis Empowerment Center, Guam Alternative Lifestyle Association (GALA); the Guam Coalition Against Sexual Assault and Family Violence; WestCare Pacific Islands; and Big Brothers Big Sisters of Guam; and

WHEREAS, according to the 2015 National Crime Victimization Survey, over five million (5,000,000) individuals nationally were a victim of crime last year; and the Office of the Attorney General of Guam, Victim Advocates Reaching Out, Enca's House, and Guam Legal Services Corporation served a total of two thousand three hundred seventy-three (2,373) crime victims last fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, the hard work and dedication by these government and community-based organizations strengthens victims and survivors in the aftermath of crime, builds resilience in our communities and our victim responders, and promotes justice for all crime victims and survivors; and

WHEREAS, on the observance of "National Crime Victims' Rights Week," the Office of the Attorney General of Guam will be hosting the first "Guam Crime Victims' Rights Fair" to raise public awareness about crime victims' issues and rights, and the community resources available to them. This year's theme, "Strength. Resilience. Justice," emphasizes the importance of multi-disciplinary responses and building the capacity of individuals, service providers, and communities to respond to crime and support the ongoing healing of victims and survivors; and

WHEREAS, the Office of the Attorney General of Guam will host this year's event alongside our community partners—organizations that are committed to serving crime victims, government entities, and the community. As a community, we remain steadfast in serving victims and survivors of crime, enhancing efforts to meet their needs, and empowering them as they pursue justice and healing, 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, recognize and commend the dedicated employees and volunteers in government and non-profit organizations who continue their tireless efforts in providing critical support and assistance to crime victims; and does further acknowledge them on the observance of "National Crime Victims' Rights Week" from April 2 to April 8, 2017, 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 Victim Service Center of the Office of the Attorney General of Guam; and to the Honorable Edward J.B. Calvo, *I Magsalibon Guahan*.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF I MINA TRENTAI KUATTRO NA LIHESLATURAN GUAHAN ON THE 7TH DAY OF APRIL 2017.

THERESE M. TERLAJE
Acting Speaker

MICHAEL F.Q. SAN NICOLAS
Chairperson, Committee on Rules

REGINA BISCOE LEE
Legislative Secretary



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I MINA'TRENTAI KUÁTTRO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN
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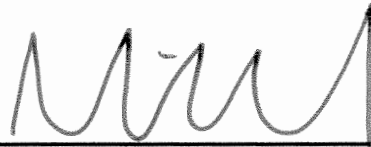
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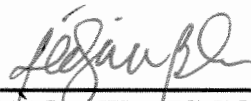
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THERESE M. TERLAJE
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Chairperson, Committee on Rules



REGINE BISCOE LEE
Legislative Secretary



COMMITTEE ON RULES

Senator Michael F.Q. San Nicolas, *Chairman*
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COMMITTEE VOTING SHEET

Resolution No. 74-34 (COR) – Therese M. Terlaje, Telena Cruz Nelson, Régine Biscoe Lee –“ Relative to recognizing and commending the dedicated employees and volunteers in government and non-profit organizations who continue their tireless efforts in providing critical support and assistance to crime victims; and to further acknowledging them on the observance of “National Crime Victims’ Rights Week” from April 2 to April 8, 2017.”

	SIGNATURE	DATE	TO ADOPT	TO NOT ADOPT	TO ABSTAIN
Senator Michael F.Q. San Nicolas Chairperson					
Senator Telena Cruz Nelson Vice Chairperson	E-vote	4/7/17	✓		
Speaker Benjamin J. F. Cruz Member					
Vice-Speaker Therese M. Terlaje Member	E-vote	4/7/17	✓		
Legislative Secretary Régine Biscoe Lee Member	E-vote	4/7/17	✓		
Senator Thomas C. Ada Member	E-vote	4/7/17	✓		
Senator Frank B. Aguon, Jr. Member					
Senator Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr. Member					
Senator Joe S. San Agustin Member	E-vote	4/7/17	✓		
Senator James V. Espaldon Minority Leader	E-vote	4/7/17	✓		
Senator Mary Camacho Torres Minority Member					

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