

I MINA'TRENTAI KUÁTTRO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN
RESOLUTION STATUS

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2017 (FIRST) Regular Session

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Introduced by:

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Relative to commending Our Lady of Mount Carmel School on its Sixtieth (60th) Anniversary and to commemorating the many accomplishments of the school in fulfillment of its mission to “Educate and develop the entire child.”

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

WHEREAS, Our Lady of Mount Carmel School (MCS) was founded in 1957 in Agat and whose modest beginnings are rooted in preaching the Catholic faith in addition providing a solid liberal arts educational foundation in reading, math, science and history;

WHEREAS, MCS continues to honor its early direction of instituting spiritual leadership and guidance of clergy members beginning with Father Mel McCormack in 1957 to Mrs. Mildred Afaisen in 2017

WHEREAS, MCS has served a significant number of families on Guam by providing education to as many as 900 students high in the 1970’s and by remaining open and affordable today notwithstanding a highly competitive education market with marked increases in the number of public as well as private schools, both online and on Guam; competitive

1 **WHEREAS**, MCS is accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges
2 with further distinction as the “Harvard of Guam” due to MCS’ exceptional
3 achievements in academics and throughout a broad range of educational programs;
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5 **WHEREAS**, MCS has established a respected reputation as being an institution that
6 has shaped and promoted students who have progressed on to becoming successful
7 and upstanding members on Guam and abroad;
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9 **WHEREAS**, MCS’ reputation as a pillar of educational excellence evidenced by
10 resilience throughout the decades to withstand and recover from natural disasters,
11 economic cycles of boom and bust, as well as in sustaining a high quality educational
12 opportunity within a growing competitive education market space and attributed by
13 the generosity contributions of its alumni, southern municipal families, faculty, staff,
14 and benevolence of the Catholic clergy on Guam, and friends of MCS;
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16 **WHEREAS**, in 2007 the Mount Carmel Alumni and Endowment Foundation was
17 founded and, under the leadership of Chairman Attorney Michael F. Phillips,
18 significant improvements to the school’s facilities, operations, academic and
19 extracurricular programs, enrollment and community engagement were made;
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21 **WHEREAS**, MCS is the winningest school for the last nine (9) years having acquired
22 the most combined elementary and middle school awards in areas inclusive of but not
23 limited to academics, music, language, and sports competitions;
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25 **WHEREAS**, MCS has also received numerous awards and accolades for its generous
26 service to the church, government of Guam, charities, civic organizations, and the
27 community-at-large; Harvard of Guam;
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29 **WHEREAS**, today, MCS enrolls over 500 Pre-K through 8th students, employs
30 highly qualified faculty and support staff, and continues to attract master teachers;
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32 **WHEREAS**, in addition to a rigorous math, science, language arts and social studies

1 curriculum, MCS is the only school on Guam to require full and satisfactory
2 completion in in religion, music, Chamorro language, physical education, art, and its
3 education is rooted in Tradition, Spirit, Heritage and Pride;

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5 **WHEREAS**, beginning this year MCS will avail a business curriculum and student
6 achievement program within the Ysrael School of Business;

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8 **WHEREAS**, MCS celebrates that its curriculum and overall educational philosophy
9 is rooted in being community centric in order that its students and alumni may apply
10 their knowledge, skills and assets in ways that are relevant and functional in their
11 respective homes, villages, and Church communities; enhances one's character and
12 discipline while preparing our students for advanced education, to be lifelong learners
13 and achieve excellence in their families or within the highest roles of responsibility
14 attained in their lifetimes;

15 **WHEREAS**, MCS' legacy is one of success and is built upon strong and meaningful
16 relationships with parents, students, community partners, alumni many of whom have
17 served or currently serve in leadership leadership positions on Guam today;

18 **WHEREAS**, MCS' legacy of success was shepherded in great part its Principals, both
19 past and present, namely; Sister Mary Paulice Holzinger, SSND deceased; Sister Mary
20 Elsa Metternick, SSND; Sister Mary Germaine, SSND deceased; Sister Mary Annina
21 Hemezack, SSND; Sister Joan Helene Kaems, SSND, deceased; Sister Pearl Mary
22 Nedwecka, SSND; Sister Mariquita Diego, SSND deceased; Sister Maria Salas,
23 deceased, Sister Bernadette Quintanilla, SSND; Sister Tarcisia Sablan, SSND,
24 deceased, Sister Francine Perez, SSND; Sister Maria Regina Paulino, SSND;
25 Sister Joseph Ann Quinene, SSND; Maria Rios; and Sister Clare Marie
26 Quichocho, SSND; Mildred Afaisen, therefore, be it

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28 **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina'Trentai Kuåttro Na*
29 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the people
30 of Guam, do hereby commend Our Lady of Mount Carmel School on its Sixtieth
31 (60th) Anniversary and to commemorate the many accomplishments of the school and

1 its legacy of success in fulfillment of its mission to “Educate and develop the entire
2 child;” and be it further

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4 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules
5 certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of
6 the same be thereafter transmitted to the Principal of Our Lady of Mount Carmel
7 School; the Chairperson of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Alumni and Endowment
8 Foundation; and to the Honorable Edward J.B. Calvo, *I Maga'lahen Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF
I MINA'TRENTAI KUÁTTRO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE ____
DAY OF MONTH YEAR.**

BENJAMIN J.F. CRUZ
Speaker

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

RÉGINE BISCOE LEE
Legislative Secretary