

*I MINA'TRENTAI SINGKO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN*  
**RESOLUTIONS**

Resolution No.	Sponsor	Title	Date Intro	Date of Presentation	Date Adopted	Date Referred	Referred to	PUBLIC HEARING DATE	DATE COMMITTEE REPORT FILED	NOTES
358-35 (COR)	Clynton E. Ridgell	Relative to recognizing Mr. Douglas Phillip for providing civilian first response rescue efforts to the people of Guam and its visitors, for eighteen (18) years and commending him on his commitment to enhance his knowledge and skills in the area of open water rescue.	7/29/20 1:32 p.m.							

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**2020 (SECOND) Regular Session**

**Resolution No. 358-35 (COR)**

Introduced by:

Clynton E. Ridgell 

**Relative to recognizing Mr. Douglas Phillip for providing civilian first response rescue efforts to the people of Guam and its visitors, for eighteen (18) years and commending him on his commitment to enhance his knowledge and skills in the area of open water rescue.**

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

**WHEREAS**, Douglas Phillip was born on January 12, 1970 on the island of Moch in the Mortlock region of, Chuuk. He graduated in 1989 from Chuuk High School and attended the College of Micronesia from 1990 - 1993. In 1995, at the age of twenty-five (25), he moved to Guam. He met Sara Pleadwell in 2001 and they have two (2) children. Emma and Charles; and

**WHEREAS**, growing up, the ocean was a part of Mr. Phillip's everyday life, in Moch. During breaks in college, and every chance he could get, he would return to the sea. Mr. Phillip attributes his knowledge of the ocean to the cultural value system that he was raised in wherein the ocean is both highly respected and highly valued. The ocean is a major source of sustenance for his family and the people of his island; and

**WHEREAS**, with his move to Guam in 1995, Mr. Phillip found work in numerous establishments. His first job was a security position in the airport's screening section. In 1998, he worked at the Alupang Beach Club, as a clubmate, assisting the

1 tourists in marine activities. From 1998 – 2001, Mr. Phillip found himself employed  
2 with Pacific Island Movers. He began his employment at Jeff’s Pirates Cove in 2002.  
3 He is a fisherman and loves the sea. This made Jeff’s Pirates Cove feel like home to  
4 him; and

5       **WHEREAS**, although Mr. Phillip’s first rescue was with a kayak, he continues  
6 to enhance his knowledge and his skills in and around the water through participation  
7 in various open water rescue training courses that he has been invited to over the years.  
8 He has completed over two hundred (200) hours of training time, receiving training  
9 from May 2008 through January 2016. This type of training places the participant in  
10 rough water conditions, in areas of high and dangerous surf; and

11       **WHEREAS**, in 2008, Mr. Phillip received a Certificate of Completion in  
12 Advanced Personal Watercraft (PWC) rescue operations in the Surf Environment. In  
13 2011, Kū’au Rescue presented Mr. Phillip with a certificate of completion for  
14 participating in the “Kū’au Rescue Training, Guam Water Rescue Course 2011” that  
15 took place from September 20, 2011 through September 25, 2011. From January 18,  
16 2016 through January 21, 2016, Mr. Phillip participated in training and was presented  
17 with a certificate of completion in all the requirements for the Rescue Water Course  
18 Sponsored by the Guam Fire Department. The National Search and Rescue School “In  
19 recognition of having satisfactorily completed the prescribed course of instruction, SAR  
20 Coordination and Execution” congratulated Mr. Phillip and acknowledged him stating,  
21 “Those that complete this course are members of a select group of outstanding  
22 professionals, in the humanitarian endeavor of saving lives, and are always ready, that  
23 others may live”; and

24       **WHEREAS**, at fifty (50) years old, he has the most experience and training for  
25 rescues out of the employees of Jeff’s Pirates Cove and is the “go-to man” for rescues  
26 in the waters of Togcha. Mr. Phillip is known for his skill with navigating watercraft in

1 the Togcha area, and this skill and understanding of the water has enabled him to rescue  
2 over twenty-five (25) people. He was recognized by the Guam Hotel and Restaurant  
3 Association on September 15, 2011 with the “Recognition for Life Saving” award:  
4 which is presented for “Actions performed in preventing a crime, saving a life or  
5 preventing the destruction of property”. Mr. Phillip is a caring and humble man who  
6 only wants to help people. That is just his nature. He is a critical part of The Jeff’s  
7 Pirates Cove team, a team that is strong and unwavering in its drive to help those in  
8 need; now, therefore be it

9 **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina'trentai Singko Na*  
10 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the people  
11 of Guam, recognize Douglas Phillip for providing civilian first response rescue efforts  
12 to the people of Guam and its visitors, for eighteen (18) years and commend him for his  
13 commitment to enhance his knowledge and skills in the area of open water rescue; and  
14 be it further;

15 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chair of the Committee on Rules certify,  
16 and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same  
17 be thereafter transmitted to Douglas Phillip; and to the Honorable Lourdes A. Leon  
18 Guerrero, *I Maga'hågan Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF  
I MINA'TRENTAI SINGKO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE \_\_\_\_  
DAY OF MONTH 2020.**

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**TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES**  
Speaker

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**RÉGINE BISCOE LEE**  
Chair, Committee on Rules

**AMANDA L. SHELTON**  
**Legislative Secretary**