I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN 2011 (FIRST) Regular Session

Resolution No. 29-31 (LS)

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Relative to recognizing and commending the organizers of the Fifth (5th) Women Veterans Conference for the honorable contributions and efforts they have made for women in our community, and the people of Guam, on the observance of March as "National Women's History Month".

1 BE IT RESOLVED BY I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN

2 **GUÅHAN:**

WHEREAS, on March 8, 1980, President Jimmy Carter issued a Presidential
Proclamation declaring the week of March 8 as the first "National Women's History

Week", honoring and recognizing the contributions of women throughout American history as they played and continue to play a pivotal cultural, social, and economic role within their communities. This effort resulted in a national movement to continue to recognize the contributions of women nationally and internationally, which led to proclaiming the month of March as "National Women's History Month"; and

6 WHEREAS, the United States Congress has recognized that women of every 7 race, class, and ethnic background have served as leaders in the forefront of every 8 major progressive social change movement, including the securing of rights of 9 suffrage and equal opportunity for women, the abolitionist movement, the 10 emancipation movement, the industrial labor movement, the civil rights movement, 11 and other movements creating a more fair and just society for all; and

WHEREAS, the United States Congress has recognized that despite these contributions that have tremendously shaped the identity of our nation, the role of women in history has been consistently overlooked and undervalued, thus this year's overreaching theme is "Writing Women Back into History"; and

WHEREAS, to celebrate "National Women's History Month", the Guam Vet
Center, the Guam National Guard Family Readiness Group, and the Guam
Department of Labor are sponsoring the Fifth (5th) Women Veterans Conference, with
a primary goal of recognizing the contributions women veterans have made through
their military service and within their communities; and

WHEREAS, the Conference also seeks to provide current information regarding U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs services and benefits available to veterans and encouraging women veterans to utilize such existing services; to promote greater understanding of women issues by obtaining input from women veterans; and to build resilience through better understanding of issues and promoting the unique role women have within our community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that *I Mina 'Trentai Unu Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, 1 2 on behalf of the people of Guam, recognize and commend all women for their 3 contributions to our island community on the celebration of the month of March as 4 "National Women's History Month", and encourages all island residents to observe this special month by giving respect, recognition and admiration to all women for the 5 6 historic contributions to the growth and strength of our island; and does further commend and congratulate the organizers of the Fifth (5th) Women Veterans 7 8 Conference for their foresight and continued commitment to recognizing the 9 contributions women veterans have made for our island, our nation, and the world; 10 and be it further

11 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, 12 the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to the Guam 13 Department of Labor; to the Guam Vet Center; to the U.S. Department of Veterans 14 Affairs; to the U.S. Navy; to the U.S. Air Force; to the Guam Army National Guard; 15 to the Small Business Administration; to the Honorable Madeleine Z. Bordallo, 16 Guam's Delegate and Member of Congress, U.S. House of Representatives; and to the 17 Honorable Edward J.B. Calvo, *I Maga'lahen Guåhan*.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY *I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* ON THE 21ST DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2011.

KF. CRUZ BŔ Acting Speaker

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