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Relative to expressing humble and sincere condolences and sympathy to the people of Japan for the horrific loss of life, suffering and physical damage caused by an act of Mother Nature, in the form of a magnitude 9.0 offshore earthquake and an accompanying thirty-three (33)-foot *tsunami*, which directly affected the city of Sendai, the capital of the Miyagi Prefecture in Japan.

1 **BE IT RESOLVED BY *I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN***
2 ***GUÅHAN*:**

3 **WHEREAS, on March 11, 2011, devastation hit the country of Japan as the**
4 **community of the city of Sendai, the capital of the Miyagi Prefecture in Japan,**

1 experienced a magnitude 9.0 offshore earthquake and an accompanying thirty-three
2 (33)-foot *tsunami*; and

3 **WHEREAS**, hundreds of lives were lost and an immeasurable amount of
4 damage was caused to the residents and the infrastructure of the city by the earthquake
5 and the accompanying *tsunami* that engulfed the port city of Sendai, collapsed
6 buildings and erased towns and low lying farming communities; and

7 **WHEREAS**, as word spread throughout the region and the world, with *tsunami*
8 warnings and aftershocks affecting other regions of the Pacific, including Guam, the
9 Northern Mariana Islands, Hawaii, the Pacific West Coast of the United States, and
10 other countries, individuals, entities and governments mobilized to offer immediate
11 assistance; and

12 **WHEREAS**, the island community of Guam stands in solidarity and at-the-
13 ready with our Japanese brothers and sisters in recovery efforts, as is evident in aid
14 drives already being conducted throughout the island; and

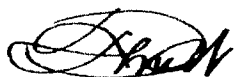
15 **WHEREAS**, *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* commends the efforts and honors the
16 sacrifices of the people of Japan, and the world community as they collectively
17 respond to assist those most affected by this calamity, and as they seek to provide
18 relief to families, friends, and an untold number of people suffering in the country;
19 now, therefore, be it

20 **RESOLVED**, that *I Mina'Trentai Unu Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby,
21 on behalf of the people of Guam, express its humblest and sincerest condolences and
22 sympathy to the people of Japan for the horrific loss of life, suffering and physical
23 damage, and to all those who have lost loved ones or have otherwise been affected by
24 the tragedy caused by an act of Mother Nature, in the form of a magnitude 9.0
25 offshore earthquake and accompanying thirty-three (33)-foot *tsunami* which directly
26 affected the city of Sendai, the capital of the Miyagi Prefecture in Japan; and does

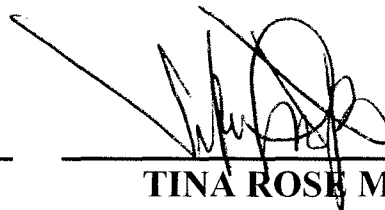
1 further offer prayers of hope, and Godspeed for a quick recovery, to the people of
2 Japan, and expresses solidarity with the people of Japan and Japanese nationals and
3 descendants residing in Guam; and be it further

4 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to,
5 the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Mr.
6 Toyohito Yoneyama, President, Japan Club of Guam; to the Honorable Yoshiyuki
7 Kimura, Guam Consul General of Japan; to the Honorable Naoto Kan, Prime Minister
8 of Japan; to His Majesty Akihito, Emperor of Japan; to the Honorable Madeleine Z.
9 Bordallo, member of the United States Congress; and to the Honorable Edward J.B.
10 Calvo, *I Maga'lahaen Guåhan*.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY *I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* ON THE 14TH DAY OF MARCH 2011.



JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D.
Speaker



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