

***I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN***  
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**Resolution No. 62-31 (LS)**

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**Relative to recognizing and commending Sanctuary,  
Incorporated, of Guam on the occasion of hosting the First  
Annual Islandwide Youth Fest Day on April 30, 2011.**

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

3        **WHEREAS**, Sanctuary, Incorporated, of Guam was founded in 1971 to provide  
4   a safe haven, and as an alternative to the juvenile justice system, for runaway,  
5   homeless, and other disadvantaged youths. Since 1971, Sanctuary has served over

1 three thousand (3000) youths and one thousand (1000) adults in their outreach and  
2 prevention programs and groups. Today, Sanctuary continues to be the only non-  
3 profit service provider of child and adolescent therapeutics, and rehabilitative services.  
4 In 2004, Sanctuary successfully opened the region's only residential treatment center  
5 for youth struggling with drug and alcohol dependency, and they gained full  
6 accreditation from the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities in  
7 2008; and

8       **WHEREAS**, over the past thirty-nine (39) years, Sanctuary has provided  
9 various youth services to the people of Guam in the form of education outreach, youth  
10 conferences, youth-sponsored events, and community outreach services, in  
11 conjunction with its primary rehabilitative, therapeutic, prevention and residential  
12 treatment services, at little or no cost to the youths of Guam; and

13       **WHEREAS**, while Sanctuary continues to compete for both local and federal  
14 funds in times where both the government of Guam and the United States Federal  
15 Government are facing unprecedented economic challenges, Sanctuary's only other  
16 source of contributions come from Guam's corporate community and private donors  
17 to help sustain the operations of its programs and services; and

18       **WHEREAS**, due to the decline in government funding, the need to generate  
19 funds becomes more challenging as the demand for Sanctuary's services increases,  
20 and as other non-profit organizations compete for the same funding sources; and

21       **WHEREAS**, the First Annual Youth Fest will not only help generate the much  
22 needed revenue that will help sustain operations at Sanctuary, the Youth Fest will also  
23 bring all other youth service organizations together for the first time in Guam's  
24 history, and allow them to raise the funds needed to fulfill their organization's mission  
25 and continue its services; and

1       **WHEREAS**, the month of April is the most appropriate time to celebrate the  
2 youth of Guam in conjunction with other Youth Month celebrations throughout the  
3 nation and the world; and in an effort to promote awareness of the many youth  
4 services and programs in the community, Sanctuary has taken the lead in planning and  
5 coordinating the events for the First Annual Youth Fest; and

6       **WHEREAS**, Sanctuary is promoting Youth Fest to acquaint the youths, adults,  
7 and the community of Guam with services and programs that have been made  
8 available to them. The Youth Fest also allows all other non-profit organizations that  
9 provide services to the youth and young adult population, such as Sanctuary, to create  
10 and maintain vital relationships with government agencies, non-profits and non-  
11 governmental organizations, youth groups, village officials, island leaders, and  
12 education officials, with the goal of fortifying a network of youth services; and

13       **WHEREAS**, some of the activities that the island's youth and their families can  
14 look forward to at this year's Youth Fest include the unveiling of the first ever "Youth  
15 of Guam" Carnival Booths; the Battle of the "Youth" Bands; cultural tours of  
16 *Hagåtña* and cultural performances; the "Glee It Out" Competition; an island-wide  
17 "Youth Dance", and other activities; and

18       **WHEREAS**, in celebrating our island's youths, Sanctuary and the other  
19 organizers of the Youth Fest will be honoring the "Youth of the Year" from four (4)  
20 different categories, with Youth candidates being nominated by schools, clubs or  
21 organizations; now, therefore, be it

22       **RESOLVED**, that *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of the people  
23 of Guam, recognize and commend Sanctuary, Incorporated of Guam, and all their  
24 partners, including Guam's business community and private donors, on the occasion  
25 of hosting the First Annual Islandwide Youth Fest Day, to be celebrated on April 30,

1 2011, during Youth Month celebrations; and does further extend *Un Dangkolo Na Si*  
2 *Yu'os Ma'ase* to them for providing the quality of programs, and the various services  
3 that are offered to Guam's youth and their families; 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 Mrs.  
6 Christine Calvo, First Lady of Guam and Honorary Chairperson of Youth Fest; to Ms.  
7 Mildred Q. Lujan, Executive Director, Sanctuary, Incorporated, of Guam; to Mr.  
8 Robert Weinberg, Board Chairman, Sanctuary, Incorporated; and to the Honorable  
9 Edward J.B. Calvo, *I Maga'lahaen Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA  
LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE 23<sup>RD</sup> DAY OF MARCH, 2011.**



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**JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D.**  
Speaker



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**TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES**  
Legislative Secretary