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Relative to congratulating and recognizing the organizers and participants of this year's Guam Earth Day celebration on April 22, 2011; and to pledging unwavering support of the Earth Day 2011 theme: "A Billion Acts of Green".

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

3 **WHEREAS, *I Liheslaturan Guåhan*** recognizes the importance of actively
4 preserving the island's natural resources, and that the need to ensure sustainability of
5 the island's natural resources is paramount. Internationally, there has been a
6 movement to educate and involve all the nations of the world to be more
7 environmentally-conscious. As a result, in 1970, U.S. Senator Gaylord Nelson, from

1 the state of Wisconsin, organized an educational “teach-in,” which would later be
2 known as “Earth Day”; and

3 **WHEREAS**, the first Earth Day, on April 22, 1970, activated twenty million
4 (20,000,000) Americans from all walks of life, and is widely credited with launching
5 the modern environmental movement. The passage of the landmark legislation, the
6 “Clean Air Act, Clean Water Act, Endangered Species Act”, and many other
7 groundbreaking environmental laws, soon followed. Growing out of the first Earth
8 Day, the Earth Day Network (EDN) was created to work with over twenty-two
9 thousand (22,000) partners in one hundred ninety-two (192) countries to broaden,
10 diversify, and mobilize the environmental movement. More than one billion people
11 worldwide now participate in Earth Day activities each year, making it the largest
12 civic observance in the world; and

13 **WHEREAS**, the theme for this year’s Earth Day 2011 is “*A Billion Acts of*
14 *Green*”, which calls for personal, corporate and organizational pledges to live and act
15 sustainably. *A Billion Acts of Green* campaign is the largest environmental service
16 campaign in the world, and it is steadily building commitments in honor of Earth Day.
17 *A Billion Acts of Green* demonstrates the kind of environmental impact that can be
18 made when millions of people, corporations and organizations make commitments,
19 both small and large, to better their environment; and

20 **WHEREAS**, Earth Day highlights the reality of environmental concerns facing
21 the world, and recognizes that the island of Guam is part of a larger global “Green”
22 initiative; and through the implementation of Earth Day, Guam now joins millions of
23 people around the world in creating a cleaner and more sustainable Earth; and

24 **WHEREAS**, the Earth Day celebration on Guam will include the 2011 *Guåhan*
25 Earth Festival called, “*ACTS OF GREEN FOR A GUAM THAT’S CLEAN*”. The
26 Earth Day 2011 activities are organized by the Guam Energy Office, the Guam

1 Environmental Protection Agency, and other community partners, such as UOG
2 Green; and

3 **WHEREAS**, the celebration of Earth Day 2011 on Guam signifies the island's
4 commitment to the sustainability of our natural resources, and its dedication to the
5 preservation efforts of our island community; now, therefore, be it

6 **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina'Trentai Unu Na*
7 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the people
8 of Guam, recognize and congratulate the Guam Energy Office, the Guam
9 Environmental Protection Agency, and other community partners, such as UOG
10 Green, for promoting, pledging, dedicating and educating the people of Guam on the
11 importance of the sustainability of our island resources; does commend the Guam
12 Community College (GCC) for being the only government entity to adopt the
13 Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) building certification
14 system on their newly-opened Learning Resource Center; and does further encourage
15 the participation of the people of Guam in the activities of the celebration of Earth
16 Day 2011, "ACTS OF GREEN FOR A GUAM THAT'S CLEAN" on April 22, 2011;
17 and be it further

18 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules
19 certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of
20 the same be thereafter transmitted to Mr. Ivan Quinata, Administrator of the Guam
21 Environmental Protection Agency; to Ms. Lorilee Crisostomo, Director of the Guam
22 Energy Office; to Dr. Robert A. Underwood, President of the University of Guam; to
23 Mrs. Mary Okada, President of the Guam Community College; and to the Honorable
24 Edward J.B. Calvo, *I Maga'lahaen Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF
I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE 29TH DAY
OF APRIL 2011.**



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