

I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN
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Relative to commending the 2011 Guam “National Safe Boating Week” Organizing Committee for their continued efforts in raising the awareness of boaters to always wear life jackets, and to practice safe boating habits; and to encouraging the people of Guam to join the nation in observing “National Safe Boating Week” during the week of May 21 to 27, 2011.

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

3 **WHEREAS,** Guam has been blessed with a vibrant ocean environment that
4 provides many leisure opportunities for its people, and recreational boating has been a
5 favorite way to relax with family and friends for generations; and

1 **WHEREAS**, each year, precious lives and valuable property have been
2 needlessly lost in boating, paddling and jet ski accidents, many of which resulted from
3 a failure to wear life jackets and a lack of basic knowledge of boating and ocean
4 safety; and

5 **WHEREAS**, safe boating practices are extremely important to everyone in
6 Guam because the lives and well-being of both boaters and non-boaters can be
7 affected by accidents on the water; and

8 **WHEREAS**, numerous government agencies, private groups, and community
9 organizations promote safe boating practices, in an effort to educate vessel operators
10 about ocean safety principles by offering safe boating courses, conducting search and
11 rescue missions, examining boats for safety equipment, and participating in other
12 activities to keep boaters safe in Guam's waters; and

13 **WHEREAS**, each year, "National Safe Boating Week" is observed across the
14 United States, and also on Guam, to spread the message of boating safety and to
15 encourage boater education and safe boating practices, including knowing how to
16 properly wear a life jacket; carrying proper safety equipment on board a vessel, to
17 include a VHF radio or emergency position-indicating radio beacons; learning boating
18 safety; and having a vessel safety check; now, therefore, be it

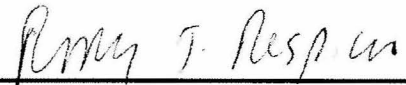
19 **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina'Trentai Unu Na*
20 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the people
21 of Guam, commend the Guam Safe Boating 2011 Planning Committee for its
22 continued efforts in raising the awareness among boaters to always wear life jackets
23 and practice safe boating habits; and does further encourage the people of Guam to
24 join the nation in observing "National Safe Boating Week" during the week of May 21
25 to 27, 2011; and be it further

1 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules
2 certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of
3 the same be thereafter transmitted to Mr. Gary Wayne Francis Gumataotao, Division
4 Commander and Chairperson of the Guam Safe Boating 2011 Planning Committee;
5 to Mr. Jack Ary, Flotilla Commander of the United States Coast Guard Auxiliary; to
6 Captain Thomas Sparks, Commander of the United States Coast Guard Marianas
7 Section; to the Honorable Madeleine Z. Bordallo, Guam Delegate to the United States
8 House of Representatives; and to the Honorable Edward J.B. Calvo, *I Maga'laha*
9 *Guåhan*.

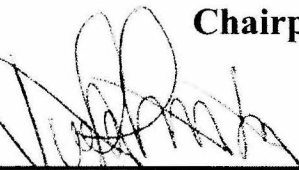
**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF
I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE 13TH DAY
OF MAY 2011.**



JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D.
Speaker



RORY J. RESPICIO
Chairperson, Committee on Rules



TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES
Legislative Secretary