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Relative to recognizing and honoring the nurses on Guam who care for and serve Guam's community throughout the year; and to further extending *Un Dangkolo' Na Si Yu'os Ma'åse* to them for their efforts to improve our health care system, as we celebrate May 2011 as "Guam Nurses Month," and May 6 to 12, 2011 as "National Nurses Week", with the theme: "Nurses Trusted to Care".

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

1 **WHEREAS**, the nearly three million one hundred thousand (3,100,000)
2 registered nurses in the United States comprise our nation's largest health care
3 profession; and

4 **WHEREAS**, the depth and breadth of the registered nursing profession meets
5 the different and emerging health care needs of the people of America, as well as
6 Guam, in a wide range of settings; and

7 **WHEREAS**, the American Nurses Association, as the voice for the registered
8 nurses of this country, and the Guam Nurses Association, as the voice for the
9 registered nurses of this island, are working to chart a new course for a healthy nation
10 and island that relies on increasing the delivery of primary and preventive health care;
11 and

12 **WHEREAS**, a renewed emphasis on primary and preventive health care will
13 require the better utilization of all of our nation's and island's registered nursing
14 resources; and

15 **WHEREAS**, professional nursing has been demonstrated to be an
16 indispensable component in the safety and quality of care of hospitalized patients; and

17 **WHEREAS**, the demand for registered nursing services will be greater than
18 ever because of the community's aging population, the continuing expansion of life-
19 sustaining technology, and the explosive growth of home health care services; and
20 more qualified registered nurses will be needed in the future to meet the increasingly
21 complex needs of health care consumers in this community; and

22 **WHEREAS**, the cost-effective, safe and quality health care services provided
23 by registered nurses will be an ever more important component of the U.S. health care
24 delivery system in the future; and

1 **WHEREAS**, the nurses of Guam have been instrumental in the Joint
2 Commission Accreditation of the Guam Memorial Hospital Authority and the Health
3 Services of the Pacific-Hospice; and

4 **WHEREAS**, along with the American Nurses Association (ANA), the Guam
5 Nurses Association, which has been a constituent member of the ANA for sixty (60)
6 years, celebrates the week of May 6 to 12, 2011, as “NATIONAL NURSES WEEK”,
7 and the month of May as “GUAM NURSES MONTH”, with the theme: “*Nurses*
8 *Trusted to Care*”, in celebration of the ways in which registered nurses strive to
9 provide safe and high quality patient care, and map out the way to improve our health
10 care system; now, therefore, be it

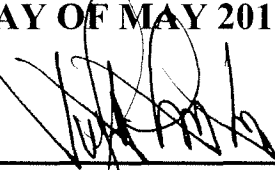
11 **RESOLVED**, that *I Mina'Trentai Unu Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby,
12 on behalf of the people of Guam, honor and thank the nurses of Guam who care for all
13 of us, and the Guam Nurses Association for the services they provide throughout the
14 year for Guam’s community; as the residents of Guam celebrate our registered nurses’
15 accomplishments and their efforts to improve our health care system, and as we show
16 our appreciation for Guam’s registered nurses, not just during this week, but at every
17 opportunity throughout the year; and be it further

18 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to,
19 the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to the Guam
20 Nurses Association; to the Guam Memorial Hospital; to the Department of Public
21 Health and Social Services; to the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse;
22 to the Department of Integrated Services for Individuals with Disabilities; and to the
23 Honorable Edward J.B. Calvo, *I Maga’lahen Guåhan*.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY *I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* ON THE 3RD DAY OF MAY 2011.



JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D.
Speaker



TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES
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