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Relative to commending Taekwondo Martial Arts Studio for their stance on perpetuating the values of integrity, self-control, community service and sportsmanship; and to further recognizing them for their accomplishments, both locally and internationally, and for their contributions to the community of Guam, through service and taking on the part of positive role models.

- 1 **BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF *I***
2 ***MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN:***
3 **WHEREAS,** Taekwondo Martial Arts Studio (TMAS) was founded by Chief
4 Instructor Emmanuel “Noly” Caluag in September 2002; and

1 **WHEREAS**, when they opened in 2002, the school offered only one (1) class,
2 and taught less than thirty (30) students; and now they have close to two hundred
3 (200) active students, and five (5) classes being offered to the community; and

4 **WHEREAS**, under the firm instruction of Caluag, and his blackbelt and junior
5 instructors, all students are taught to not only practice, but to also live out the
6 principles of courtesy, integrity, perseverance, self-control and indomitable spirit; and

7 **WHEREAS**, TMAS does not merely see excellence in the form of victory or
8 defeat, but rather in the progress of each student in the sport, and as virtuous citizens
9 of our community; and

10 **WHEREAS**, in the realm of competition and training, students from the school
11 are given the opportunity to hone their skills with high intensity and precision at an
12 Olympic level; and these skills and training are evident in the numerous competitions
13 that the students have participated and medaled in, both locally and internationally,
14 along with the multiple demonstration exhibitions that they hold at least twice a year
15 for the Guam community; and

16 **WHEREAS**, although TMAS excels with the competitions they have won, and
17 the skills they have learned, nonetheless Chief Instructor Noly Caluag has been quoted
18 as saying, “If all you learn from me is how to kick or punch then you didn’t learn
19 anything from me at all,” further showing that what sets them apart from the other
20 schools is their focus on more than merely the actions; and

21 **WHEREAS**, the school builds moral fiber, which is rooted in the idea of
22 respect and honor, and practiced in the school through actions that represent respect to
23 their master/instructor, respect to their opponents and respect for themselves; and

1 **WHEREAS**, the school, its instructors and students continue to honor Guam's
2 community through participating in various service projects: since 2007, TMAS has
3 joined in the annual "Coastal Clean up" at *Ypao* Beach, in cooperation with the
4 Bureau of Statistics and Plans; they have also donated clothes, toys and other needed
5 items to the *Dededo* Mayor's Battered Women Project, to Manila's poor children c/o
6 Ateneo University Center for Education Development (Philippines), and to local non-
7 profit organizations; in the summer of 2009, TMAS gave free Taekwondo lessons to
8 about two hundred (200) children at the *Dededo* Mayor's "No Drugs, Anti-Violence"
9 Summer Camp, and they have assisted with many other community projects; now
10 therefore, be it

11 **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina'Trentai Unu Na*
12 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the people
13 of Guam, recognize the Taekwondo Martial Arts Studio for their impressive
14 representation of the island and themselves; and does further commend them for their
15 strive to strengthening not only the bodies but also the minds and spirits of every
16 individual that enters their doors; for their acts of service throughout the years; and for
17 their continued feat of embodying the principles of courtesy, integrity, perseverance,
18 self-control and indomitable spirit, under the direction of Noly Caluag; and be it
19 further

20 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules
21 certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of
22 the same be thereafter transmitted to Master Emmanuel "Noly" Caluag; to the
23 Taekwondo Martial Arts Studio; and to the Honorable Edward J.B. Calvo, *I*
24 *Maga'lahaen Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF
I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE 26TH DAY
OF MAY 2011.**



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Speaker



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Chairperson, Committee on Rules



TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES
Legislative Secretary