

I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
2011 (FIRST) Regular Session

Resolution No. 148-31 (COR)

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Relative to commending and congratulating the Department of Parks and Recreation Employees on the Thirty-Sixth (36th) Year Anniversary; and to further recognizing them as they celebrate “Parks and Recreation Month” during July 2011.

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

WHEREAS, “Parks and Recreation Month” is traditionally celebrated annually during the month of July, and the Department of Parks and Recreation is continuing that tradition in the celebration of 2011 “Parks and Recreation Month”, by adopting the theme: “Protecting our Historic and Natural Resources to Enhance Our Quality of Life”; and

1 **WHEREAS**, the official purpose of “Parks and Recreation Month” is to invite
2 public participation in activities that enhance our people’s quality of life at a
3 community level, and in so doing, heighten public awareness regarding the
4 importance of the Department of Parks & Recreation; and

5 **WHEREAS**, the Department of Parks and Recreation performs a wide variety
6 of park, recreation and historic preservation services for our community; and

7 **WHEREAS**, the Department of Parks and Recreation is committed to
8 improving the quality of life for our residents, and for our visitors, by promoting
9 healthy lifestyles, strengthening our families, maintaining our parks and natural areas,
10 and preserving our island’s unique heritage; and

11 **WHEREAS**, the Department of Parks and Recreation continues to properly
12 maintain and operate our parks and recreational facilities, while seeking funding to
13 ensure that all parks, equipment and facilities are safe, attractive, accessible, and user-
14 friendly; and to ensure that our island’s historic sites are protected and restored for the
15 benefit of present and future generations; and

16 **WHEREAS**, the Department of Parks and Recreation provides activities that
17 can reduce stress, provide socialization opportunities, and improve the mental and
18 physical well-being of our youth, adults, seniors and challenged individuals; and

19 **WHEREAS**, the Department of Parks and Recreation also recognizes the
20 importance of our rich heritage through the preservation of our many historic sites,
21 and acknowledging Guam’s Pre-Contact, Spanish, Early American, Japanese/World
22 War II and Post War Historic Timelines; and

23 **WHEREAS**, for the past thirty-six (36) years, the Department of Parks and
24 Recreation has been mandated by law to be responsible for seventy-six (76) active
25 parks and over four thousand seven hundred ninety-four (4,794) acres of seashore,
26 conservation and wildlife refuge, and is also responsible to protect and maintain over

1 one thousand six hundred (1,600) historic sites in its inventory; additionally, they
2 review over one thousand one hundred (1,100) building permits annually to ensure
3 that historic sites are taken into consideration; and they also process over one
4 thousand four hundred (1,400) park permits, more than twenty (20) vendor permits,
5 and over one hundred fifty (150) facility permits annually, so that island residents and
6 visitors alike can enjoy the outdoor environment, such as beaches and parks; and


7 **WHEREAS,** *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* recognizes the contributions of partners in
8 the community, such as Ms. Paula Faulk Creech of the American Samoa and
9 Micronesia Historic Preservation Program (National Park Service), who has
10 committed much effort to assisting the Guam Historic Preservation Office; and like-
11 partners that include the War in the Pacific National Park (National Park Service), the
12 Guam Preservation Trust, the Department of *Chamorro* Affairs, the Guam Museum,
13 the Guam Museum Foundation, the University of Guam, the Richard F. Flores
14 Micronesian Area Research Center, and the Pacific War Museum that steadfastly
15 support the Department of Parks and Recreation and have contributed to the
16 preservation, protection and interpretation of Guam’s historic and cultural resources,
17 as well as the beautification and maintenance of our parks and recreational facilities;
18 now therefore, be it

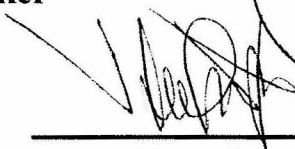
19 **RESOLVED,** that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina'Trentai Unu Na*
20 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the people
21 of Guam, highly commend and congratulate the Department of Parks and Recreation
22 Employees for their many accomplishments as they celebrate their Thirty-Sixth (36th)
23 Year Anniversary, and “Parks and Recreation Month”, during the month of July 2011,
24 with the theme: “Protecting our Historic and Natural Resources to Enhance Our
25 Quality of Life”; 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. Peter S. Calvo, Acting Director of
4 Department of Parks and Recreation; to Ms. Paula Faulk Creech, American Samoa
5 and Micronesia Program Manager, Cultural Resources, National Park Service; to the
6 Chairman, Guam Review Board for Historic Preservation; to War in the Pacific
7 National Historical Park; to Department of Chamorro Affairs; to Guam Museum; to
8 Guam Museum Foundation; to University of Guam; to Richard F. Taitano
9 Micronesian Area Research Center; to Pacific War Museum; and to the Honorable
10 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 30TH DAY
OF JUNE 2011.**



JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D.
Speaker

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