

I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN
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Relative to recognizing and commending Mr. Rick Phillips MS Ed., for his outstanding contribution to the BASTA (Bullying Affects Students, Teachers, and All) Bullying Prevention Conference, and for joining in the promotion and educational outreach component of bullying prevention on Guam.

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

3 **WHEREAS,** Guam has joined with communities across the United States in
4 the observance of “National Bullying Prevention Month” during the month of

1 October, in order to promote bullying prevention within our schools and community,
2 and to support the needs of children; and

3 **WHEREAS**, it has been shown that community involvement and education is
4 critical in effectively reducing the occurrences of bullying, and in encouraging more
5 acceptable behavior from our children, through the promotion of positive behavioral
6 alternatives to bullying; and

7 **WHEREAS**, Guam seeks to educate and raise awareness of bullying
8 prevention efforts through specific events like the first (1st) BASTA Bullying
9 Prevention Conference; and

10 **WHEREAS**, Mr. Rick Phillips, MS Ed. is the Executive Director and Founder
11 of Community Matters (CM), a California-based nonprofit organization whose
12 mission is to engage, equip, and empower young people to be contributors and
13 peacemakers in their schools and communities; and

14 **WHEREAS**, Mr. Rick Phillips, MS Ed. has appeared on numerous television
15 programs, such as the Today Show and CNN, and in print, radio, and regional and
16 national interview programs as an expert in violence prevention and empowering
17 youth; and

18 **WHEREAS**, Mr. Rick Phillips, MS Ed. is a published author, having written
19 the books, “Ten Years after Columbine: School Violence-Prevention Report Card”
20 and “Safe School Ambassadors: Harnessing Student Power to Stop Bullying and
21 Violence”; and

22 **WHEREAS**, Mr. Rick Phillips, MS Ed. is the creator and co-developer of the
23 Safe School Ambassadors program, a youth-centered, violence prevention program
24 that has been implemented in more than nine hundred (900) schools in the United
25 States and Canada; and

1 **WHEREAS**, members of the Judiciary of Guam and the Department of
2 Education invited Mr. Rick Phillips, MS Ed., who is a nationally-recognized educator,
3 speaker, facilitator, and trainer, to attend the BASTA Bullying Prevention Conference
4 as a Guest Speaker to provide educational outreach aimed at reducing bullying and
5 cyberbullying in our communities; 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 commend Mr. Rick Phillips, MS Ed. for his contributions and
9 his commitment to being a part of the solution to preventing bullying on Guam
10 through his participation as a Guest Speaker at the BASTA Bullying Prevention
11 Conference; and be it further

12 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules
13 certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of
14 the same be thereafter transmitted to Mr. Rick Phillips, MS Ed.; to the Honorable F.
15 Philip Carbullido, Chief Justice, Judiciary of Guam; and to the Honorable Edward J.B.
16 Calvo, *I Maga'lahaen Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF
I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE 27TH DAY
OF OCTOBER 2011.**



JUDITH T. WON PAT, ED.D
Speaker



RORY J. RESPICIO
Chairperson, Committee on Rules



TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES
Legislative Secretary