

I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUAHAN
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Relative to the establishment of a “Sister City” relationship between the Province of Pangasinan in the Republic of the Philippines, and Guam, in order to encourage the further growth of friendship, camaraderie and commerce for the benefit of the people of both regions.

- 1 **BE IT RESOLVED BY *I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA***
2 ***LIHESLATURAN GUAHAN:***
3 **WHEREAS**, the bond between the people of Guam and the people of the
4 Republic of the Philippines has grown stronger over the years, as the two (2)
5 neighbors in the Western Pacific Ocean share many of the same influences,
6 both political and cultural; and
7 **WHEREAS**, a number of Guam’s residents can trace their roots back to
8 the Philippines, and specifically to the Province of Pangasinan in Luzon, which
9 is often referred to as the “heartland of the Philippines;” and

1 **WHEREAS**, the people of Guam, along with our brothers and sisters
2 from the Republic of Philippines, and especially those from the Province of
3 Pangasinan, share more commonalities than differences, and together we can
4 better prepare for a future of unprecedented opportunities towards the sustained
5 growth of our communities; and

6 **WHEREAS**, the relationship between the good neighbors on both sides
7 of the Philippine Sea was further strengthened when the Federation of
8 Pangasinanes on Guam was recently recognized by *I Liheslaturan Guåhan*,
9 and were designated as “Honorary Goodwill Ambassadors-At-Large” for the
10 people of Guam as they embarked on their important Medical Mission to the
11 Province of Pangasinan to help the impoverished people living in small towns
12 in the Province who are unable to afford medical care; and

13 **WHEREAS**, with the good people of both Guam and Pangasinan finding
14 common ground, working together, assisting each other, and helping to make
15 the most of future opportunities, the official establishment of a “Sister City”
16 relationship between Guam and Pangasinan would be highly beneficial; and

17 **WHEREAS**, such a “Sister City” relationship is defined as an officially
18 approved, long-term partnership between two (2) communities from different
19 countries, and such official relationships can involve very diverse activities,
20 including municipal, professional, educational, cultural and business-related
21 projects; and

22 **WHEREAS**, it is therefore the intent of the Committee on Rules of *I*
23 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* to request of the Honorable Amado T. Espino, Jr.,
24 Governor of the Province of Pangasinan, Republic of the Philippines, and the
25 Honorable Jose Ferdinand Z. Calimlim, Jr., the Vice Governor and Presiding
26 Officer of the Provincial Board of the Province of Pangasinan, Republic of the
27 Philippines, their concurrence in an official long-term, “Sister City” relationship
28 between the Province of Pangasinan, Republic of the Philippines and the island

1 of Guam; now therefore, be it

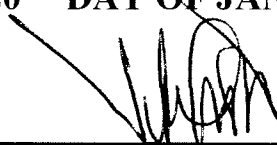
2 **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina'Trentai Unu Na*
3 *Liheslaturan Guåhan*, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the people of
4 Guam, does hereby request the concurrence of the Governor and Vice Governor
5 of the Province of Pangasinan, Republic of the Philippines for the establishment
6 of a “Sister City” relationship with the people of Guam, United States of
7 America; and be it further

8 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on
9 Rules certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and
10 that copies of the same be hereafter transmitted to the Honorable Amado T.
11 Espino, Jr., Governor of the Province of Pangasinan; to the Honorable Jose
12 Ferdinand Z. Calimlim, Jr., Vice Governor and the Presiding Officer of the
13 Sangguniang Panlalawigan of the Province of Pangasinan; to the members of
14 the Provincial Board of the Province of Pangasinan; to Major Vic R. Rivo, Sr.
15 (Ret.), President of the Federation of Pangasinanes of Guam; to the Officers
16 and Board of Directors of the Federation of Pangasinanes of Guam; to the
17 Honorable Edgar Thomas Auxilian, Consul of the Philippines, Guam Consulate
18 Office; to the Honorable Harry K. Thomas, Jr., Ambassador of the United
19 States of America to the Republic of the Philippines; to His Excellency Benigno
20 Simeon Cojuangco Aquino, III, President of the Republic of the Philippines; to
21 His Excellency Jejomar Cabauatan Binay, Vice President of the Republic of the
22 Philippines; and to the Honorable Edward J.B. Calvo, *I Maga'lahren Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY *I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA*
LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE 20TH DAY OF JANUARY 2012.**



JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D.
Speaker



TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES
Legislative Secretary