

I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
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Resolution No. 362-31 (LS)

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Relative to recognizing and congratulating the Laguna Association of Guam on the Twelfth (12th) Year Anniversary celebration, and on the induction of the new officers; and to further extending a warm *Un Dangkolo Na Si Yu'os Ma'åse'* to them for their dedication and service to the communities of Guam and Laguna, Philippines.

- 1 **BE IT RESOLVED BY *I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN***
2 ***GUÅHAN*:**
3 **WHEREAS,** the Laguna Association of Guam is a Filipino organization whose
4 ideals are to promote brotherhood and camaraderie; to protect the interest of its
5 members; and to invite all Filipinos and Fil-*Chamorros*, regardless of province-birth,

1 who are eager and willing to be adopted sons and daughters of the historical province
2 of Laguna, Philippines; and

3 **WHEREAS**, the Laguna Association of Guam was first conceptualized by the
4 various families on Guam from different towns of Laguna, Philippines, who had a
5 vision of hope for camaraderie and service to the community; and

6 **WHEREAS**, the vision of these individuals came to reality at their first
7 organizational meeting held on January 17, 2000, with forty-eight (48) individuals
8 representing twenty-eight (28) families from Laguna, Philippines, in attendance; and

9 **WHEREAS**, the first membership meeting was then held on January 30, 2000,
10 with thirty (30) towns from Laguna being represented by one hundred fifty (150)
11 individuals; and the first meeting of the Executive Board was held on February 23,
12 2000, which led the way to a formal certification of the Association on September 17,
13 2001 by the Guam Department of Revenue and Taxation; and

14 **WHEREAS**, since the establishment of the Association, the members of the
15 Laguna Association have participated in numerous fundraisers and special events for
16 the benefit of many charitable organizations, including: the Guam *Lytico and Bodig*
17 Association; the American Red Cross; the American Cancer Society; the *Alee* Shelter;
18 the Guam Skilled Nursing Facility; the Catholic Social Service; the Make-A-Wish
19 Foundation; the *Mindanao* Catholic Church Renovation Project; the Philippine
20 National Red Cross; and various foundations for abused children and disaster victims
21 in Guam and the Philippines; and

22 **WHEREAS**, other worthwhile donations from the Association include the trash
23 containers for *Guma Trankilidad*, for Two Lovers Point, and for Liberation Day
24 Festivities; and

25 **WHEREAS**, the Laguna Association of Guam had also donated playground
26 equipment for the students of D.L. Perez Elementary School, the *Ordot-Chalan Pago*

1 Elementary School, and *Upi* Elementary School through a matching federal grant; and
2 donated textbooks for the students of Maria Ulloa Elementary School, as well as
3 schools in the Philippines; and

4 **WHEREAS**, in December 2001, the Association donated a public picnic
5 shelter, with barbeque pit and shower facilities, at the *Paseo de Susana* Park in
6 *Hagåtña*, with subsequent upgrades to the shelter that included additional concrete
7 walkways and picnic tables and benches; and

8 **WHEREAS**, a bust statue of Dr. Jose Rizal, a Philippine National Hero who
9 was born in Calamba, Laguna, was purchased by the Laguna Association of Guam
10 and installed at the official residence of the Philippine Consul General in *Tamuning* to
11 be used as a site for Filipinos of Guam to gather and honor the National Hero on his
12 birthday and Rizal Day; and

13 **WHEREAS**, the driving force behind the achievements of the Laguna
14 Association of Guam has been the commitment of its leaders and members, as well as
15 support from the business community of Guam, and the help of families and friends;
16 and

17 **WHEREAS**, the outgoing Executive Officers of the Laguna Association of
18 Guam, namely Aida Miranda, President; Leo Ungdoracion, Vice President; Cecile
19 Arciaga, Recording Secretary; Lolita Tuazon, Corresponding Secretary; Ellie
20 Baldemor, Treasurer; Ellen Cadawas, Assistant Treasurer; Rudy Cahinhinam,
21 Auditor; Nancy Baldoz, Business Manager; Omar Baldemor, Assistant Business
22 Manager; Liberty Dacquel, Public Relations Officers; Lito de Leon, Sergeant at Arms;
23 Ramon Gabriel, Sergeant at Arms; Leo Tamondong, Sergeant at Arms; Eddie Abaya,
24 Angel Baldemor, Bernie Cadawas, Maria Gracia de Luna, Linda Carmona, Frank de
25 Leon, Mryna Enriquez, Ponching Elomina, Jhun Gabon, Clarissa Gabriel, Vangie
26 Lasanas, Rufo Magante, Virgie Salas, Rose Tuquero, and Sonia Ugdoracion, members

1 of the Board of Directors; and Nelia Cahinhinan, Fred Carmona, Alex Gagaring,
2 Willie Miranda, and Rene Valenzuela, Advisers, have all led in organizing activities,
3 and have contributed invaluable time and service to the mission of the Association;
4 and

5 **WHEREAS**, the newly-elected Officers of the Association, namely Nancy
6 Baldoz, President; Leo Ugdoracion, Vice President; Virgie Salas, Secretary; Rudy
7 Cahinhinan, Treasurer; Lolita Tuazon, Assistant Treasurer; Zenie De Vera, Auditor;
8 Linda Carmona, Business Manager; Rufo Magante, Assistant Business Manager;
9 Ariel Gutiza, Public Relations Officer; Joselito De Leon, Sergeant at Arms; Ramon
10 Gabriel, Sergeant at Arms; Leo Tamondong, Sergeant at Arms; Rose Tuquero,
11 Corresponding Secretary; Ellie Baldemor, Bernie Cadwas, Liberty Dacquel, Frank De
12 Leon, Raquel De Leon, Maria Garcia Le Luna, Mryna Enriquez, Clarissa Gabriel,
13 Rina Basbas, Dan Romulo, Luz Eserio, Sonia Ugdoracion, Mina De Leon, Ofel
14 Villanueva, and Peter Villanueva, members of the Board of Directors; and Aida
15 Miranda, Alex Gagaring, Fred Carmona, Rene Valenzuela, Willy Miranda, Neila
16 Cahinhinan, Joe T. San Agustin, and Joe Guevara, Advisers, have been chosen to
17 continue the mission of the Laguna Association of Guam; now therefore, be it

18 **RESOLVED**, that *I Mina 'Trentai Unu Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on
19 behalf of the people of Guam, commend and congratulate the Laguna Association of
20 Guam on its Twelfth (12th) Year Anniversary celebration, and on the induction of the
21 new officers; and does further extend a warm *Un Dângkolo Na Si Yu'os Ma'åse'* to
22 them for their dedication and service, and their invaluable contributions to the
23 communities of Guam and Laguna, Philippines; and be it further

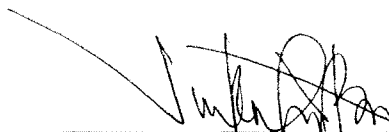
24 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to,
25 the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Aida
26 Miranda, outgoing President of the Laguna Association of Guam; to Nancy Baldoz,

- 1 newly-elected President of the Laguna Association of Guam; and to the Honorable
- 2 Edward J.B. Calvo, *I Maga'lahaen Guåhan*.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY *I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* ON THE 12TH DAY OF MARCH 2012.



JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D.
Speaker



TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES
Legislative Secretary