I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN 2012 (SECOND) Regular Session

Resolution No. 373-31 (COR)

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Relative to commending the Serve Guam Commission and its partners for inspiring and encouraging our people to seek out imaginative ways to engage in our community, and through their efforts to make Guam a better place; and to further celebrating people in action, and the observance of "National Volunteer Week", from April 15 to April 21, 2012.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF I

- 2 MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÂHAN:
- 3 WHEREAS, our island relies on the tireless dedication of volunteers to make a
- 4 real and lasting change in our community; and

WHEREAS, established in 1974, "National Volunteer Week" was created when President Richard M. Nixon signed an executive order to establish the week as an annual celebration of volunteering; and it has grown exponentially in scope each year, drawing the support and the endorsement of all subsequent U.S. presidents, mayors, and other respected officials; and

WHEREAS, the act formally launched AmeriCorps, a network of national service programs that engage Americans in intensive service to meet the nation's critical need in education, environment, public safety, health, and other unmet human needs; and

WHEREAS, the Serve Guam Commission bolsters existing programs on Guam to meet the needs of our community; and its efforts strengthen the community, develop leaders through direct, team-based national and local community service, and achieve greater social and economic justice; and

WHEREAS, the Commission works in conjunction with the Guam Department of Labor, the AmeriCorps programs and its partners, and through local and federal agencies, businesses, nonprofit organizations, and faith-based and other community organizations that work across racial, ethnic, economic and political differences; and

WHEREAS, AmeriCorps incorporated two (2) existing national service programs: The Volunteers In Service To America (VISTA) and the National Civilian Community Corps (NCCC); and

WHEREAS, "National Volunteer Week" reflects the power that volunteers have to "inspire by example", as volunteers both encourage those they help and motivate others to serve and celebrate the noble and selfless action of volunteerism; and

1 WHEREAS, our island community will host the "2012 National Volunteer 2 Week" from Sunday, April 15, 2012, to Saturday, April 21, 2012, promoting 3 community outreach, capacity building and civic engagement; now therefore, be it 4 **RESOLVED,** that the Committee on Rules of I Mina'Trentai Unu Na 5 Liheslaturan Guåhan does hereby, on behalf of I Liheslaturan Guåhan and the people 6 of Guam, commend the Serve Guam Commission and its partners for their efforts to 7 make Guam a better place by improving lives, strengthening communities and 8 fostering civic engagement through service and volunteering, as we celebrate the 9 occasion of "National Volunteer Week" from April 15 to 21, 2012; and be it further 10 RESOLVED, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on 11 Rules certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to George A. Santos, Director, Guam 12 Department of Labor; to The Serve Guam! Commission and staff, Lagrimas (Pinki) 13 Lujan, Chairperson; JoAnnalyn Fullerton, Vice Chairperson; Doris Aguon, Program 14 15 Manager; and Darrel Wilkerson, Program Officer; to the Guam Volunteer Center AmeriCorps Alums; to AmeriCorps*VISTA, in partnership with Dr. Robert A. 16 17 Underwood, President, University of Guam; to the AmeriCorps Program Directors; 18 to Mildred Q. Lujan and George L. Salas, Sanctuary, Incorporated - Ayuda Para I 19 Komunidat; to Dr. Julie Ulloa-Heath and Sunny Lee, AmeriCorps UOG Success 20 Center; to Reverend Michael Crisostomo, IHOM Life Corp AmeriCorps; to Zina 21 Ruiz, Pa'a AmeriCorps; to Bernie Grajek and Jirrah Cabrales, Guma' Mami' AmeriCorps; to Josephine Mesa, President, Guam Memorial Hospital Volunteers 22 23 Association; to the Corporation for National and Community Service; and to the 24 Honorable Edward J.B. Calvo, I Maga'lahen Guåhan.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÂHAN ON THE 13^{TH} DAY **APRIL 2012.**

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