

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

**Resolution No. 385-31 (LS)**

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**Relative to recognizing and congratulating the Filipino Community of Guam on the observance of the One Hundred Fourteenth (114th) Anniversary of the Proclamation of the Independence of the Republic of the Philippines.**

1        **BE IT RESOLVED BY *I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN***  
2        ***GUÅHAN*:**

3        **WHEREAS**, the Independence of the Republic of the Philippines is observed  
4        every year on the thirteenth (13<sup>th</sup>) of June, the Republic of the Philippines gaining its  
5        independence through the sacrifices of many Filipino heroes, such as Dr. Jose Rizal,  
6        the National Hero of the Philippines, who wrote “*Noli Me Tangere*” (The Lost

7 Eden), which popularized the independence sentiment, and whose execution by the  
8 Spanish fostered public outrage and rebellion; Andres Bonifacio, who led the Cry of  
9 *Balintawak*; General Emilio Aguinaldo, who commanded the Battle of *Binakayan*;  
10 and Apolinario Mabini, known as the “Sublime Paralytic” and the “Brain of the  
11 Revolution”; and

12 **WHEREAS**, the fight for freedom was also supported by noted Filipinas,  
13 such as Melchora Aquino, known as “*Tandang Sora*”, who was exiled to the  
14 Marianas by the Spanish Government; Teresa Magbanua, a twenty-eight (28) year  
15 old teacher, who was one of the first women to lead men into battle; and other  
16 Filipina heroines from all walks of life who joined the Revolutionary Forces; and

17 **WHEREAS**, the culmination of the struggle for independence came on June  
18 12, 1898, when General Emilio Aguinaldo declared the Independence of the  
19 Philippines at his home town of Kawit, Cavite, where thousands of people from the  
20 provinces gathered to witness this historic event, including the dramatic unfurling of  
21 the Philippine flag while the Philippine National Anthem was being played in public  
22 for the first time, after which the “Act of the Declaration of Independence” was  
23 solemnly read by its author, Ambrosio Rianzares Bautista, who patterned it after the  
24 American Declaration of Independence; and

25 **WHEREAS**, said Declaration was adopted by the Assembly of Municipal  
26 Presidents, and was ratified by the Congress of the Republic of the Philippines in  
27 Malolos, Bulacan, on September 1898, as an expression of the sovereign will of the  
28 Filipino people; and

29 **WHEREAS**, the Filipino Community of Guam annually hosts a number of  
30 Philippine Independence Day activities on Guam, celebrating the numerous  
31 contributions that Filipinos have made to our island, those activities including:

- 32 - Thursday, May 31, 10:00 a.m.: Philippine Heritage Month Proclamation  
33 Signing;
- 34 - Saturday, June 2: 5K FLAG Santacruzán;
- 35 - Friday, June 8: Benefit Concert at the University of Guam Field House;
- 36 -Saturday, June 9, 6:30 p.m.: FCG Independence Day Ball at the Sheraton  
37 Laguna Guam Resort;
- 38 - Sunday, June 10, 3:00 p.m.: Mass at St. Anthony's Church - BASTA  
39 Association;
- 40 - Sunday, June 10, 4:00 p.m.: Mabini Shrine Commemoration - BASTA  
41 Association;
- 42 - Sunday, June 10: Cultural Show at the *Agaña* Shopping Center;
- 43 - Saturday, June 16: FCG Independence Day Run at *Ypao* Beach;
- 44 - Monday, June 18: ILOAG's Community Center Ribbon Cutting Ceremony;
- 45 - Tuesday, June 19: Dr. Jose Rizal's Birthday commemoration-Laguna  
46 Association;
- 47 -Saturday, June 23, 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.: FCG Medical Mission, Swamp Road,  
48 *Dededo*;
- 49 - Sunday, June 24: Apalit's Water Festival at *Ypao* Beach;
- 50 - Sunday, June 24: Bolinao Bani's St. Johns Festival at *Matapang* Beach;
- 51 - Saturday, June 30: ILOAG's 5K Run at the *Chamorro* Village;

52 now therefore, be it

53 **RESOLVED**, that *I Mina'Trentai Unu Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on  
54 behalf of the people of Guam, recognize and congratulate the Filipino Community of  
55 Guam on the occasion of the observance of the One Hundred Fourteenth (114th)  
56 Anniversary of the Proclamation of the Independence of the Republic of the  
57 Philippines; and be it further

58           **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to,  
59 the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Ms. Leah  
60 Beth Naholowaa, President, Filipino Community of Guam; to the Honorable Bayani  
61 V. Mangibin, Consul General of the Philippines to Guam; and to the Honorable  
62 Edward J.B. Calvo, *I Maga'lahaen Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE DAY 24<sup>TH</sup> OF APRIL 2012.**



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**JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D.**  
Speaker



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**TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES**  
Legislative Secretary