

***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

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

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

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

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

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

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

now therefore, be it

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

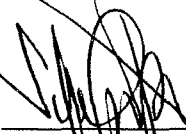
58           **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to,  
59   the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Ms. Leah  
60   Beth Naholowaa, President, Filipino Community of Guam; to the Honorable Bayani  
61   V. Mangibin, Consul 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