

I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
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Relative to recognizing and commending the organizers and participants of the First Marianas History Conference, with the theme: “One Archipelago, Many Stories”, for highlighting and enlightening our island communities in Micronesia and throughout the academic world of the many facets and rich, deep history of the *Chamorro* people; and to further congratulating the Guam Preservation Trust, the Northern Mariana Islands Humanities Council, Guampedia.com, and all the presenters and panelists, for their tremendous contributions of time and effort towards the perpetuation of the *Chamorro* culture, traditions, and language; and does give homage and respect to “*I mañaina’ta*” for protecting and nurturing our heritage and culture throughout the history of “*I Taotao Pasifiku – I man Chamorro*”.

1 **BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF I**
2 ***MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN:***

3 **WHEREAS**, the First Marianas History Conference is slated for June 14
4 through June 17, 2012, at the Fiesta Resort and Spa in Garapan, Saipan -
5 Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands; and

6 **WHEREAS**, the Conference theme: “One Archipelago, Many Stories”
7 highlights the deep and rich history of the Mariana Islands, and truly exemplifies the
8 many hardships and accomplishments the people of the Marianas have endured in
9 bridging the political divisions of the archipelago, which dates to the late 19th century;
10 and

11 **WHEREAS**, with a cadre of intellectual and historical perspectives, this
12 Conference promises a wealth of information and topics featuring prominent speakers,
13 such as: Reverend Father Francis X. Hezel, SJ, “Setting the Agenda: Quilting the
14 Patches and Stitching them Together”; former Guam Delegate to the United States
15 Congress, the Honorable Robert A. Underwood, Ph.D. (currently, the President of the
16 University of Guam), “Leapfrogging Through History: *Hayi Mañaina-mu?*”;
17 Reverend Father Eric Forbes, OFM CAP, “Migration of *Chamorro* from Guam to
18 Saipan in the late 1800s”; and a featured performance by Moneka De Oro, Dako'ta
19 Alcantara-Camacho and Eva Aguon Cruz, performing: “Buried beneath Latte and
20 Bombs: Finding Strength and Struggle in Islas Marianas”; as well as the participation
21 and contributions of forty-five (45) papers and six (6) posters from a diverse group of
22 student scholars, historians, archeologists, anthropologists, economists, and ethnic
23 studies scholars from Guam, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands,
24 Australia, Japan, New Zealand, the United States of America, Germany, Spain, and
25 England; and

1 **WHEREAS**, the Conference will showcase the oral/genealogy of *Chamorro*
2 history spanning the eras from ancient *Chamorro* history; the early colonial (17th to
3 18th centuries); the late colonial (19th to 20th centuries); World War II; and recent
4 (post-war) research; and

5 **WHEREAS**, Conference participants will examine the challenges and
6 opportunities confronting their work, and work to develop strategies to facilitate the
7 continuity of study of the Mariana Islands' history; and

8 **WHEREAS**, this important event serves as a catalyst to initiate dialogue
9 among key organizations from Guam and the Commonwealth of the Northern
10 Mariana Islands that utilize public funding to support the study, interpretation, and
11 dissemination of the Mariana Islands' history; and

12 **WHEREAS**, collectable posters depicting the Mariana Islands' history, and
13 other publications, will be made available; and the Conference will culminate with
14 tours of selected historical sites on Saipan; and

15 **WHEREAS**, the Conference proceedings, papers, and posters will also be
16 made available online as an e-publication from the Northern Mariana Islands
17 Humanities Council, the Guam Preservation Trust, and Guampedia.com; now
18 therefore, be it

19 **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina'Trentai Unu Na*
20 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the people
21 of Guam, recognize and commend the organizers and participants of the First
22 Marianas History Conference, with the theme: "One Archipelago, Many Stories", for
23 highlighting and enlightening our island communities in Micronesia and throughout
24 the academic world of the many facets and rich, deep history of the *Chamorro* people;
25 and does further congratulate the Guam Preservation Trust, the Northern Mariana
26 Islands Humanities Council, Guampedia.com, and all the presenters and panelists, for

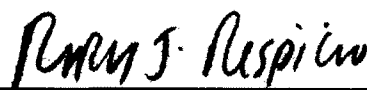
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3 *mañaina’ta*” for protecting and nurturing our heritage and culture throughout the
4 history of “*I Taotao Pasifiku – I man Chamorro*”; and be it further

5 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules
6 certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of
7 the same be thereafter transmitted to the First Marianas Conference Organizational
8 Committee; the Guam Preservation Trust; the Northern Mariana Islands Humanities
9 Council; Guampedia.com; the Honorable Robert A. Underwood, Ph.D.; Reverend
10 Father Francis X. Hezel, SJ; Reverend Father Eric Forbes, OFM CAP; Honora
11 Tenorio; Rosanna Barcinas; Scott Russell; Moneka De Oro; Dako’ta Alcantara-
12 Camacho; Eva Aguon-Cruz; Ojeya Cruz Banks; John Peterson; Jillette Leon Guerrero;
13 Darlene Moore; Mariquita Davis; Rosalind Hunter Anderson; Rlene Santos Steffy;
14 Genevieve S. Cabrera; Mike Carson; Hsao Chun Hung; Judy Flores; Omaira Brunal-
15 Perry; Rebecca Hofmann; Kathleen Broom Williams; Michael Bavacqua; Geoffrey
16 Mohlman; Edward Salo; Andrea Jaladoni; David Defant; Don Shuster; Ryu Arai; Dirk
17 Spennemann; Michael Clement; Shunsuke Nagashima; David Look; James Oelke;
18 Lino Olopai; Ken Koroïwa; Yumiko Imaizumi; Jesi Lujan Bennett; David Tugge;
19 Wakako Higuchi; Jessica Jordan; Barbara Dewein; Carlos Madrid; and Fred
20 Schumann; and to the Honorable Edward J.B. Calvo, *I Maga’lahen Guåhan*.

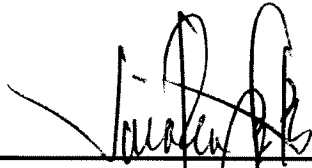
**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF
I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE 13TH DAY
OF JUNE, 2012.**



JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D.
Speaker



RORY J. RESPICIO
Chairperson, Committee on Rules



TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES
Legislative Secretary