

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

**Resolution No. 520-31 (LS)**

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**Relative to recognizing the Bullying Prevention Advisory Group (BPAG) for its concerted efforts in addressing the serious issue of bullying and violence that affects youth and families in our community, and on the observance of the month of October 2012, as “Guam Bullying Prevention Month”.**

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

3        **WHEREAS, *I Mina'Trentai Unu Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* recognizes that**  
4 **bullying has grown to become a serious issue on Guam, greatly affecting the safety**  
5 **and well-being of youth and families in our island community; and**

1       **WHEREAS**, in an effort to address bullying, cyber bullying, sexting, youth  
2 violence, and other related issues within the schools and our community, *I*  
3 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* has joined the efforts put into motion by the Judiciary, the  
4 Department of Education (DOE), and other organizations, to ensure that students,  
5 parents, families, school personnel, youth service providers and professionals, raise  
6 awareness and understanding of bullying and violence prevention; and

7       **WHEREAS**, through this partnership, beginning with the Judiciary and DOE,  
8 and including *I Liheslaturan Guåhan*, the Bullying Prevention Advisory Group  
9 (BPAG) was formed in July of 2011 to bring together and coordinate the efforts of  
10 people, groups, and agencies to prevent, intervene, and stop bullying and violence on  
11 Guam; and

12       **WHEREAS**, through the BPAG, Guam students have helped to create a  
13 unifying theme in our community that they have entitled: “DUO: Do Unto Others – A  
14 Partnership Against Bullying,” in recognition of the fact that we must all live by the  
15 Golden Rule, and treat others with the kindness and respect we each deserve; and

16       **WHEREAS**, the BPAG is comprised of the Offices of Speaker Judith T. Won  
17 Pat, Vice Speaker Benjamin J.F. Cruz, Legislative Secretary Tina Rose Muña Barnes,  
18 Majority Leader Rory J. Respicio, Senator Aline A. Yamashita, Senator Thomas C.  
19 Ada, Senator Judith P. Guthertz, Senator Vicente C. Pangelinan, and Senator Adolpho  
20 B. Palacios, Sr.; all members of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan*; the Judiciary of Guam; the  
21 Guam Department of Education; the Office of the Governor; the Office of the First  
22 Lady; the Office of the Lieutenant Governor; *I Famagu'on-ta*; the District Court of  
23 Guam; the Office of the Attorney General; the United States Attorney's Office; the  
24 Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse; the Guam Bar Association; the  
25 University of Guam; the Guam Community College; the Department of Youth  
26 Affairs; the Guam Police Department; Sanctuary Incorporated of Guam;

1 *Inafa'maolek*; the Office of the Superintendent of Catholic Schools; Bishop  
2 Baumgartner Catholic School; St. Anthony Catholic School; Father Dueñas Memorial  
3 School; San Vicente Catholic School; Guam Evangelical Christian Academy; the  
4 Department of Integrated Services for Individuals with Disabilities; Harvest Christian  
5 Academy; St. Paul Christian School; St. John's School; the Guam Anti-Bullying  
6 Organization; the Guam Girl Scouts; the Guam Youth Congress; and the Guam  
7 National Guard Counter Drug Task Force; now therefore, be it

8 **RESOLVED**, that *I Mina'Trentai Unu Na Liheslaturan Guåhan*, on behalf of  
9 the people of Guam, does hereby recognize the month of October 2012 as "Guam  
10 Bullying Prevention Month;" and be it further

11 **RESOLVED**, that *I Liheslaturan Guåhan*, on behalf of the people of Guam,  
12 does hereby urge the people of Guam to take advantage of this full month of efforts  
13 directed at raising awareness and understanding of bullying and violence prevention;  
14 and be it further

15 **RESOLVED**, that *I Liheslaturan Guåhan*, on behalf of the people of Guam,  
16 does hereby urge students, parents, families, school personnel, youth service providers  
17 and professionals, to engage in those activities made available by the BPAG, with the  
18 goal of recognizing that bullying is a behavior that contributes considerably to the  
19 growth and escalation of violence in our community. *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* pledges  
20 its support for BPAG's efforts at helping all citizens learn that we each have a role to  
21 play in promoting positive social behaviors to prevent bullying and violence on  
22 Guam; and be it further

23 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to,  
24 the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be hereafter transmitted to the  
25 members of BPAG, specifically to the Judiciary of Guam; to the Guam Department of  
26 Education; to the Office of the Governor; to the Office of the First Lady; to the Office

1 of the Lieutenant Governor; to *I Famagu'on-ta*; to the District Court of Guam; to the  
2 Office of the Attorney General; to the United States Attorney's Office; to the  
3 Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse; to the Guam Bar Association; to  
4 the University of Guam; to the Guam Community College; to the Department of  
5 Youth Affairs; to the Guam Police Department; to Sanctuary Incorporated of Guam;  
6 to *Inafa'maolek*; to the Office of the Superintendent of Catholic Schools; to Bishop  
7 Baumgartner Catholic School; to St. Anthony Catholic School; to Father Dueñas  
8 Memorial School; to San Vicente Catholic School; to Guam Evangelical Christian  
9 Academy; to the Department of Integrated Services for Individuals with Disabilities  
10 (DISID); to Harvest Christian Academy; to St. Paul Christian School; to St. John's  
11 School; to the Guam Anti-Bullying Organization; to the Guam Girl Scouts; to the  
12 Guam Youth Congress; and to the Guam National Guard Counter Drug Task Force;  
13 and to the Honorable Edward J.B. Calvo, *I Maga'lahren Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY *I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* ON THIS 26<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2012.**



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



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**TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES**  
Legislative Secretary