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

## Resolution No. 589-31 (COR)

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Relative to recognizing and congratulating the Western Visayas College of Science & Technology (WVCST) Alumni Association, Guam Chapter, on the coronation of its 2012 Queen, and on the celebration of its Twentieth (20<sup>th</sup>) Year Anniversary; and to further expressing a sincere *Un Dångkolo Na Si Yu'os Ma'åse'* to the WVCST Officers and members for its service and dedication to the people of Guam.

## 1BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF I2MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN:

3 WHEREAS, the pioneers of the Western Visayas College of Science & 4 Technology (WVCST) Alumni Association of Guam laid the foundation of the organization through gatherings that were held for the last twenty (20) years to
conduct their community affairs; and

3 WHEREAS, the WVCST Alumni Association, Guam Chapter, consists of 4 Alumni of the WVCST College in Iloilo, Philippines who migrated to Guam after 5 World War II to work as tradesmen, technicians, craftsmen, teachers and engineers, 6 and their families and friends, who now call Guam their home; and

WHEREAS, the WVCST Alumni Association, Guam Chapter, was established 7 8 in 1993 as a non-profit organization, and has been actively supporting other non-profit 9 organizations on Guam, such as the American Red Cross, the American Cancer 10 Society and the Guam Community College; and is an active member of the Filipino 11 Community of Guam, an umbrella association of the more than forty (40) Filipino 12 groups on Guam; and have been supporting other disaster and relief operations of the 13 Guam community, such as the recent China, Haiti, Indonesia and Japan earthquakes, 14 and the recent calamities in the Philippines, such as the flooding and damage caused by Typhoon Frank, Typhoon Undoy, Typhoon Sendong and Typhoon Jabagat; and 15

16 WHEREAS, the objectives of the organization include fostering unity and 17 close relationships among the WVCST Alumni and other Filipinos on Guam, and the 18 people of its respective Guam community; preserving the cherished traditions of the 19 Filipino people and promoting their cultural heritage, as exemplified by their support 20 of Filipino community activities, such as the annual Santacruzan by the Filipino 21 Ladies Association of Guam, the annual activities of the Filipino Community of Guam 22 in the celebration of the Philippine Independence and Heritage Month in June, and the 23 Christmas *Parol* Contest in December, and other cultural and community activities; and the sharing of cultures and recognizing the interdependence that exists between 24 25 Guam's rich diversity of cultures; promoting educational and scientific efforts in their respective fields of work and community; promoting the technological skills of the
Alumni, and the transfer of skills to fellow Guamanians, and helping in the rebuilding
of Guam and its economy; and actively promoting civic, social and moral welfare in
the communities where they live; and

WHEREAS, the WVCST Alumni Association, Guam Chapter, throughout its 5 6 twenty (20) years of existence, has contributed countless times to improve the quality of life of more than a hundred of poor but deserving students by sponsoring their 7 8 education to finish a college course in their Alma Mater, the Western Visayas College 9 of Science and Technology in Iloilo City, Philippines; in 2005, they raised more than 10 a million *Pesos* to fund and complete the construction of the WVCST Alumni Hall on the School Campus; and locally, they have provided financial support every year to 11 selected students at the Guam Community College. The Association also continues to 12 13 foster camaraderie within its membership, and with other Filipino organizations; and to provide assistance to people in need on Guam, in the Philippines, and elsewhere in 14 15 the world, when unforeseen calamities arise, and where there are disasters that need 16 global support, such as the recent Japan earthquake and Philippine flooding; and

WHEREAS, the 2011-2012 Officers and board members of the organization 17 18 are William I. de la Peña, President; Jose M. Dy, Vice President; Julieto Sontillanosa, 19 Treasurer; Romeo del Castillo, Assistant Treasurer; Norberto Dolor, Auditor; Fernabel 20 D. de la Peña, Secretary; Elesiah Ann Malaga, Assistant Secretary; Enriqueta Retiro, Business Manager; Fely A. Dy, Public Relations Officer; Noel Semolava and 21 22 Joemarie Saloma, Peace Officers; and Blanca Imbo, Ma. Fe Napalan, Estella Saloma 23 and Bel Gicole, Board of Directors, who have all provided invaluable leadership and 24 stewardship for the Association; now therefore, be it

1 RESOLVED, that the Committee on Rules of I Mina'Trentai Unu Na 2 Liheslaturan Guåhan does hereby, on behalf of I Liheslaturan Guåhan and the people of Guam, recognize and commend the WVCST Alumni Association, Guam Chapter, 3 on its selection and coronation of its 2012 Anniversary Queen, and on the celebration 4 of its Twentieth (20<sup>th</sup>) Year Anniversary; and does further express a sincere Un 5 Dångkolo Na Si Yu'os Ma'åse' to the WVCST Officers, members and benefactors for 6 their service and dedication to the people of Guam, and for guiding and taking care of 7 8 the Association for the last nineteen (19) years; be it further

9 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules 10 certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of 11 the same be thereafter transmitted to the 2011-2012 President of the WVCST Alumni 12 Association of Guam; to the Honorable Consul General Bayani Mangibin, 13 representative Philippine Consulate General to Guam; and to the Honorable Edward 14 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 1<sup>ST</sup> DAY OF NOVEMBER 2012.

JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed. D. Speaker

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