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Relative to recognizing March as "Women's National History Month", and commending the organizers of the Fifth (5th) Women Veterans Conference for the honorable contributions and efforts made for women in our community and to the people of Guam.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF I

MINA'TRENTAI UNU LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN:

WHEREAS, on March 8, 1980, President Jimmy Carter issued a Presidential Proclamation declaring the week of March 8 as the first National Women's History Week honoring and recognizing the contributions of women throughout American history as they played and continue to play a pivotal cultural, social, and economic role within their communities; this effort resulted in a national movement to continue to recognize the contributions of women nationally and internationally, thus proclaiming the month of March "National Women's History Month"; and

WHEREAS, the United States Congress has recognized that women of every race, class, and ethnic background has served as leaders in the forefront of every major progressive social change movement including the securing of rights of suffrage

and equal opportunity for women, the abolitionist movement, the emancipation movement, and industrial labor movement, the civil rights movement, and other

3 movements creating a more fair and just society for all; and

WHEREAS, the United States Congress has recognized that despite these contributions that have tremendously shaped the identity of our nation, the role of women in history has been consistently overlooked and undervalued, thus this year's overreaching theme is "Writing Women Back into History"; and

WHEREAS, to celebrate "National Women's History Month", the Guam Vet Center, the Guam National Guard Family Readiness Group, and the Guam Department of Labor are sponsoring the fifth (5th) Women Veterans Conference with a primary goal of recognizing the contributions women veterans have made through their military service and within their communities; and

WHEREAS, the conference seeks to provide current information regarding U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs service, and benefits available to veterans and encouraging women veterans to utilize such existing services, to promote greater understanding of women issues by obtaining input from women veterans, and to build resilience through better understanding of issues and promoting the unique role women have within our community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina'trentai Unu Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, recognize the month of March as "National Women's History Month" and commend all women for their contributions to our island community and encourages all island residents to observe this special month giving respect, recognition and admiration for the historic contributions to the growth and strength of our island; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina' Trentai Unu Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, commend the

organizers of the fifth (5th) Women Veterans Conference for their foresight and continued commitment to recognizing the contributions women veterans have made for their island, for their nation, and for the world; and be it further

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RESOLVED, that the Speaker certify and the Chairman on the Committee on Rules certify, and the Legislative Secretary attests to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to the Guam Department of Labor; to the Guam Vet Center, to the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs; to the U.S. Navy; to the U.S. Air Force; to the Guam Army National Guard; to the Small Business Administration; to the Honorable Delegate Madeleine Z. Bordallo, Member of Congress, U.S. House of Representatives; and to the Honorable Edward J.B. Calvo, *I Maga'lahen Guåhan*.

Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D.

Speaker

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES ON THE _____ DAY OF _______2011.

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Chairperson, Committee on Rules

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