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Resolution No. 61-31 (LS)

Introduced by:

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**RELATIVE TO COMMENDING THE US COAST
GUARD SECTOR GUAM FOR THEIR CONTINUED
EFFORTS TO PROTECT THE LIVES OF THE PEOPLE
OF GUAM BY INITIATING A WATER SAFETY
COMMITTEE AND WORKSHOPS.**

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

3 **WHEREAS,** The United States Coast Guard is the nation's oldest continuous
4 multi-mission maritime armed service founded in 1790; and

5 **WHEREAS,** The United States Coast Guard's presence on Guam dates back to
6 1905 and service to Guam was interrupted only once by the Japanese occupation
7 during World War Two; and

8 **WHEREAS,** Coast Guard Sector Guam's area of responsibility includes
9 Guam, the Commonwealth of Northern Mariana's Islands (CNMI), The Republic of
10 Palau, and the Federated States of Micronesia (Kosrae, Pohnpei, Chuuk, and Yap);
11 and

12 **WHEREAS,** Coast Guard Sector Guam's primary missions include: Search
13 and Rescue (SAR), Maritime Law Enforcement, Ports Waterways and Coastal
14 Security (PWCS), Marine Inspection, Mariner's Licensing and Documentation, Port

1 Safety and Marine Environmental Protection within the waters of Guam and the
2 CNMI; and

3 **WHEREAS**, Coast Guard Sector Guam's assets include the 110-foot patrol
4 boats USCGC ASSATEAGUE and USCGC WASHINGTON, Station Apra Harbor,
5 three 25-foot response boats, and a staff of approximately 159 active duty and civilian
6 personnel; and

7 **WHEREAS**, Coast Guard Sector Guam is dedicated to maintaining the highest
8 tradition of the Coast Guard's motto of Semper Paratus (Always Ready);

9 **WHEREAS**, Coast Guard Sector Guam had 140 SAR cases where 143 lives
10 were assisted, and 51 lives saved in Fiscal year 2010 and just in the beginning of
11 Fiscal year 2011 there has been a total of 23 SAR cases where 15 lives were assisted,
12 and 14 lives saved; and now therefore be it

13 **RESOLVED**, that *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* commends The Coast Guard Sector
14 Guam for recognizing the immediate need, after the recent distressful events that led
15 to the unnecessary loss of life in our local waters, to create a workshop/outreach
16 program intended to inform the general public on proper water safety; and be it further

17 **RESOLVED**, that on this day, 02 April 2011, the US Coast Guard Sector
18 Guam, in conjunction with numerous Paddling clubs and public safety government
19 agencies, is hosting a "Get Your Feet Wet" safety day at Matapang Beach in Tumon;
20 and be it further

21 **RESOLVED**, that *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* is committed to support the
22 continued efforts of the US Coast Guard Sector Guam's to protect the lives of our

1 community as they take to our local waters with the establishment of the Water Safety
2 Committee and all future workshops and outreaches; be it further

3 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker certify, and the Secretary of the Legislature
4 attest to, the adoption hereof and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to
5 Captain Thomas McK Sparks ,Sector Commander, CG Sector Guam; Guam Police
6 Department, Marine Patrol Division; Guam Fire Rescue; Guam Parks and Recreation
7 Lifeguards; National Weather Service/National Oceanographic and Atmospheric
8 Administration (NOAA) on Guam; Marianas Paddlesports Racing Association
9 (MPRA); Guam Kayak and Canoe Federation (GKCF); Outrigger Guam Canoe Club
10 (OGCC);U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary Flotilla 2-24; Guam Department of Agriculture;
11 and to the Honorable Edward B. Calvo, *I Maga'lahaen Guåhan*.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY *I MINA' TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* ON THE ____ DAY OF _____ 2011.

JUDITH T. WON PAT
Speaker

TINA ROSE MUÑA-BARNES
Senator and
Secretary of the Legislature