## I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN 2011(FIRST) Regular Session

Resolution No. 136-31 (COR)

Introduced by:

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**RELATIVE** TO RECOGNIZING ANNIVERSARY OF THE SHIEH SU YING MALE AND FEMALE SCHOLAR ATHLETE OF THE PROGRAM AND TO CONGRATULATING AND EXTENDING A SINCERE UN DANGKOLO NA SI YU'OS MA'ASE TO ITS FOUNDER, DR. THOMAS SHIEH FOR HIS COMMITMENT TO THE PEOPLE OF GUAM BY PROMOTING A "STUDY HARD, PLAY HARD" PHILOSOPHY THAT ENCOURAGES YOUNG ADULTS TO STAY AWAY FROM TOBACCO. ALCOHOL. AND DRUGS BY EXCELLING ACADEMIC AND ATHLETIC ACHIEVEMENTS.

## 1 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF

- 2 I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÂHAN:
- WHEREAS, Dr. Thomas Shieh is the founder of the Shieh Su Ying Scholar
- 4 Athlete of the Year Program; and

- WHEREAS, Dr. Thomas Shieh named the scholarship fund in honor of his late grandmother, Shieh Su Ying, a Taiwanese philanthropist known for her many good deeds and contributions to her community; and
- WHEREAS, the scholarship program was established with the hope that the recipient would return to Guam to pass on Shieh Su Ying's spirit of kindness to others in the community; and
- WHEREAS, the Shieh Su Ying Scholarship is awarded to students from various schools and organizations, including, Guam High School, John F. Kennedy, St. John's School, St. Paul School, Academy of Our Lady, UOG Scholarship for Nursing students, Big Brothers Big Sisters, and a Mammography scholarship, Guam Women's Club and many others; and
  - WHEREAS, the Shieh Su Ying Scholar Athlete of the Year Program celebrates its 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of promoting academic excellence and healthy living by allowing recipients to pursue higher education; and
  - WHEREAS, a very important aspect of this scholarship program is to encourage the youth of Guam to stay alcohol, drug and tobacco free in the spirit of academics and athleticism by promoting the theme, "Study Hard, Play Hard"; and
  - WHEREAS, Dr. Shieh is the husband of Mrs. Raven Shieh and father of Beverly and Tiffany and along with being the founder of the Shieh Su Ying Scholar Athlete Program, Dr. Shieh is also a very active leader and advocate in the community; and
  - WHEREAS, Dr. Shieh continuously showcases his commitment to the community of Guam through his volunteerism, generous donations to community organizations, and academic and athletic recognition; and
- 25 **WHEREAS**, Dr. Thomas Shieh is also the sponsor of his very own annual volleyball tournament, known as the Shieh Invitational Volleyball Tournament;

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- 1 WHEREAS, Dr. Shieh started the annual volleyball tournament to establish
- a spirit of friendship among the island's volleyball players by getting them all to
- 3 play under one roof; and
- 4 WHEREAS, the Shieh Invitational Volleyball Tournament has become the
- 5 largest volleyball tournament on the island of Guam; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Dr. Shieh also sponsors other community sports tournaments
- 7 and clinics that remain free of charge to the people of Guam; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Dr. Shieh was part of a committee, that in 2002 saved the
- 9 interscholastic sports from the brink of its closure, and allowed students to
- 10 continue to playing by starting games that integrated both public and private
- 11 schools; and
- WHEREAS, Dr. Thomas Shieh as a leading member of the medical
- community, has spearheaded many health outreach, prevention and education fairs
- and seminars to aid in keeping the people of Guam healthy; and
- WHEREAS, he was also essential in the coordination for the "Drive for
- Justice" which was a bone marrow drive to help a little girl named Justice. The
- "Drive for Justice" put Guam on the National Bone Marrow Registry.
- 18 WHEREAS, Dr. Shieh is a women's health advocate who has led many
- 19 conferences throughout Micronesia and introduced the vaccine, Gardasil to the
- 20 woman of Guam to help prevent certain types of cervical cancer; and
- 21 WHEREAS, Dr. Shieh played a vital role in raising the drinking age for
- Guam from 18 to 21 years of age by echoing the recommendations of United
- 23 States Health and Human Services of a national drinking age of 21; and
- WHEREAS, he also supports many national health organizations such as
- 25 Mothers Against Drunk Driving and the American Cancer Society, among many
- others; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Thomas Shieh serves as Guam's delegate to the American 1 2 Medical Association where he has lobbied for attention on Pandemic Flu Planning and additional medical funding for the island of Guam; and 3 WHEREAS, Dr. Shieh plays an active role in Guam's only civilian hospital 4 as the President of the Guam Memorial Medical Staff and the Past President of the 5 6 Guam Medical Society. He also helped with many donations to the hospital and Guam Memorial Hospital Volunteer Association, among others, all in the spirit of 7 improving our hospital for patients; and, now be it 8 RESOLVED, I Liheslaturan Guåhan and the people of Guam, recognize, 9 congratulate and send a sincere Un Dangkolo Na Si Yu'os Ma'ase' to Dr. Thomas 10 Shieh on the 10th Anniversary of the Shieh Su Ying Scholar Athlete of the Year 11 Program for his dedication and service to the entire community of Guam; and be it 12 further 13 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairman of the Committee on Rules 14 certify, and the Secretary of the Legislature attest to, the adoption hereof, and that 15 copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Dr. Thomas Shieh; and to the 16 Honorable Edward J.B. Calvo, I Maga'lahen Guåhan. 17 DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE **DAY OF MAY, 2011.** JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D RORY RESPICIO Speaker Chairman, Committee on Rules TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES

Legislative Secretary