

I MINA' TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
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Resolution No. 212-31 (con)

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Relative to congratulating Mr. Donald Muña and Kelly Muña for their professional contributions to the island of Guam in the creation of the first annual Guam International Film Festival, as well as to commend their greater achievement as visionaries and ambassadors to Guam and Micronesia through the medium of film .

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF I
MINA'TRENTAI**

UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN:

- 1 **WHEREAS**, brothers Donald and Kelly Muña are the sons of Mr. and Mrs.
- 2 Juan and Guadalupe Muña; and
- 3 **WHEREAS**, Kelly Muña is married to Naomi Castro-Muña and has two
- 4 sons, Elijah J. Reyes and Seth Michael Muña; and
- 5 **WHEREAS**, Donald Muña has one daughter, Ezri Adina Muña; and

6 **WHEREAS**, Kelly Muña graduated in 2002 from the Full Sail University
7 School of Film as class Valedictorian, later joining San Francisco’s KTVU news
8 channel team; and

9 **WHEREAS**, Donald and Kelly Muña, also known as ‘Don’ and ‘Kel’,
10 began their professional careers on Guam, having worked at Pacific Telestations,
11 Glimpses Advertising and Sorenson Media Group and then moved to the U.S.
12 mainland to further their education and gain experience; and

13 **WHEREAS**, the first annual Guam International Film Festival
14 (GIFF), is founded and organized by these local filmmakers; and

15 **WHEREAS**, this highly-anticipated inaugural event is slated to begin on
16 Friday, September 30th and last through Sunday, October 2nd at the Micronesia
17 Mall Stadium Theaters; and

18 **WHEREAS**, the three-day cinematic event will showcase one hundred film
19 submission spanning eighteen different countries from around the world; and

20 **WHEREAS**, twenty of these films are Guam related; and

21 **WHEREAS**, the Guam International Film Festival will feature special
22 events including screenings of international independent films, filmmaking
23 workshops, gala events and awards ceremonies; and

WHEREAS, the Guam International Film Festival will be presenting feature length movies and short films in the following categories: Narrative, Documentary, Animation, Made in the Marianas, Student Under 18, Music Videos, and Mobile Short; and

WHEREAS, the finale of the 2011 Guam International Film Festival will be the 2011 GIFF Award Ceremonies on Oct. 2nd; and

WHEREAS, a grand jury comprised of film industry professionals will be judging the films in competition; and

WHEREAS, the Guam International Film Festival serves to promote Guam's unique brand throughout the world, furthers the island's budding cinema industry, and inspires youth throughout our island to pursue a career in the arts and humanities; and

WHEREAS, such activities enhance our quality of life; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that *I Mina'Trentai Unu Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, congratulate Mr. Donald Muña and Mr. Kelly Muña, for the establishment of the first annual Guam International Film Festival which will bring recognition to our island and Micronesia; and be it further

42 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on
43 Rules certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that
44 copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Mr. Donald Muña, Mr. Kelly Muña
45 and to the Honorable Edward B. Calvo, *I Maga'lahen Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES
OF I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THIS 30th
DAY OF September 2011.**

JUDITH T. WON PAD, Ed.D.
Speaker

TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES
Legislative Secretary