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Resolution No. 231-30(cor)

Introduced By:

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Relative to recognizing and commending Robin Danner, the Executive Director of the Non Profit Organization the Council for Native Hawaiian Advancement, and her efforts to create a national vehicle for pacific unity, policy development, advocacy and funding support for Guam and the United States Affiliated Islands of the Pacific through the innovative Pacific Business Partnership Initiative and calling for the creation of a Working Group with the Chinese Chamber of Commerce, The Council of Micronesian Chief Executives, the Asian American and Pacific Islander Congressional Caucus, and the White House Initiative on Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF I MINA TRENTAI
UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN:

- WHEREAS, During the 10th Annual Council for Native Hawaiian
- 2 Advancement Convention in August of 2011, both United States Senators for
- 3 Hawaii, Senator Daniel Inouye and Senator Daniel Akaka, in their keynote
- 4 speeches reaffirmed that all of the Islands of the Pacific must stand together in the
- 5 face of pending budget cuts; and

- 6 WHEREAS, Senator Inouye, Chairman of the United States Senates
- 7 Committee on Appropriations put his words and comments into action
- 8 by preserving over 33 million dollars in Congressional appropriations for Guam,
- 9 related to the Strategic Realignment of Military Forces in the Pacific; and
- WHEREAS, the *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* understands that the actions taken
- on the Floor of the United States Senate by Chairman Inouye further illustrates
- the importance for Guam and the Pacific to develop stronger and deeper ties to the
- 13 Hawaiian Congressional Delegation and to Hawaiian based Non Governmental
- 14 Organizations like the Council for Native Hawaiian Advancement who have
- developed unique, and productive relationships to policy and decision makers in
- the United States Congress and the White House; and
- WHEREAS, Senator Akaka is a strong supporter of Robin Danner and the
- 18 Council for Native Hawaiian Advancement; and
- 19 WHEREAS, Senator Akaka is also a member of the Congressional Asian
- 20 American and Pacific Islander Caucus, and is the sole Chinese-American and the
- 21 first Native Hawaiian member of the U.S. Senate; and
- WHEREAS, the *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* finds that the Pacific Business
- 23 Partnership Initiative will become a policy and advocacy system that will
- strengthen and grow small business throughout the Pacific by establishing an
- annual business summit, establishing a qualifying process for small businesses to

meet the requirements of larger businesses for federal contracts, and establish profiles of small business firms to large business contracting officers; and

WHEREAS, the Pacific Business Partnership Initiative, and Robin Danner

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have developed strong and deep ties to Guam's Non Profit and Non Governmental 29 Organizations through the Annual Council for Native Hawaiian Conferences; and 30 WHEREAS, in addition to the business enterprise aspect of the Pacific 31 Business Partnership Initiative, the Initiative will also seek to embody the 32 principals of economic, social and environmental justice by ensuring that 33 businesses, large and small, off-island or on-island, understand that the best way to 34 help a community is not only by working to create employment but also, by being 35 good corporate Pacific citizens who develop a vision of community-based 36 development and make corporate investments into local non-profit and non-37 governmental organizations who fill the gaps in services where government and 38

WHEREAS, the Chinese Chamber of Guam is in a unique position to bring together the Asian American and Pacific Islander Guam Business Community and the Pacific Business Partnership Initiative; and

private enterprise often cannot and do not reach; and

WHEREAS, the Pacific Business Partnership Initiative is in a unique position to bring together the Guam Chinese Chamber of Commerce, the White

House Initiative on Asian American and Pacific Islanders and the Congressional
Caucus on Asian American and Pacific Islanders; now, therefore, be it

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**RESOLVED,** that the Committee on Rules of I Mina'Trentai Unu Na Liheslaturan Guåhan does hereby, on behalf of I Liheslaturan Guåhan and the people of Guam, recognize and commend Robin Danner, the Executive Director of the Non Profit Organization the Council for Native Hawaiian Advancement, a national vehicle for and her efforts to create pacific unity, policy development, advocacy and funding support for Guam and the United States Affiliated Islands of the Pacific through the innovative Pacific Business Partnership Initiative and calling for the creation of a Working Group between the Pacific Business Partnership Initiative with the Chinese Chamber of Commerce, The Council of Micronesian Chief Executives, the Asian American and Pacific Islander Congressional Caucus, and the White House Initiative on Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders; and be it further

RESOLVED, that *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the people of Guam, encourage and supports the Pacific Business Partnership initiative, the Guam Asian American Pacific Islander White House Initiative Commissioner, the Guam Chinese Chamber and the Council of Micronesian Chief Executives in the establishment of a working group that will develop a strategic plan, and support a delegation to the annual Council of Native Hawaiian Advancement Conference

**RESOLVED,** that the Speaker certify, and the Legislative Secretary 65 attests to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter be 66 transmitted to Robin Danner the Executive Director of the Council for Native 67 Hawaiian Advancement; George Lai, the President of the Chinese Chamber of 68 Commerce: Alfred Lam, the Executive Vice President of the Guam Chinese of 69 Commerce Chamber; Kiran Ajuha, the Executive Director of the White House 70 Initiative on Asian American and Pacific Islanders; Congressman Michael M. 71 Honda, the Chair Emeritus of the Asian American and Pacific Islander 72 Congressional Caucus; Congresswoman Judy Chu, the Chair of the Asian 73 American and Pacific Islander Congressional Caucus; Assistant Secretary Anthony 74 Babauta, of the Office of Insular Affairs, and the Honorable Eddie B. Calvo, I 75 Maga'lahen Guåhan 76

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÂHAN ON THIS 22TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 2011.

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Speaker

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Legislative Secretary