I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN THIRTY-FIRST GUAM LEGISLATURE 2011 (FIRST) Regular Session

Resolution No. 233-31 (COX)

Introduced by:

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RELATIVE TO COMMENDING THE PRINCIPAL, TEACHERS AND STUDENTS OF YAMAGATA PREFECTURAL, TOKAI-DAIGAKU YAMAGATA HIGH SCHOOL, JAPAN, FOR THEIR VISIT TO GUAM TO PAY RESPECTS TO THE VICTIMS OF WORLD WAR II IN GUAM, AND TO TPOMOTE PEACE AND FELLOWSHIP THROUGH THEIR VISIT TO GUAM AND TO THANK MR. KENSUKE HAGA AND THE U.S. EXPLORE AND STUDY, INC., FOR THEIR WORK ON THE PROJECT.

BE IT RESOLVED BY I MINA'TRENTAI UNO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN:

1 WHEREAS, a group of forty five (45) high school students and their advisers from 2 Japan visited Guam for the purpose of showing respect and prayer for those who died 3 during World War II; and 4 WHEREAS, those students visited the War in the Pacific National Park, Gaan Point, 5 Faha Massacre site and Manenggon Memorial Park in order to better understand the 6 horrors of war and its effect on both the innocent civilians caught in its wake and the 7 soldiers who fought it; and 8 WHEREAS, it is hope that this will continue to be an annual trip, and that the 9 tributes paid by these high school students will shine as an example that will encourage other students and organizations from Japan to make similar trips; and 10 WHEREAS, the U.S. Explore and Study, Inc., has been instrumental in trying to heal 11

the wounds of World War II and tensions over the war between the people of Guam, Japan

1 and the United States, and has held ceremonies and tributes in the past years with that 2 noble aim; and 3 **WHEREAS**, the U.S. Explore and Study, Inc., along with its president, Mr. Kensuke Haga, 4 have worked extremely hard to move towards these goals and especially to help organize 5 this trip by Japanese high school students; now, therefore, be it 6 **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules of I Mina' Trentai Unu na Liheslaturan 7 Guåhan, on behalf of the people of Guam, highly commend and thank the Principal, 8 Teacher and Students from Yamagata Prefectural, Tokai-Daigaku Yamagata High School 9 for visiting Guam and the World War II sites, and honoring those who died at those sites, 10 with their prayers and tributes; and be it further 11 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker certify and the Secretary of the Legislature attest to, 12 the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to the Principal, 13 Teachers and Students from Yamagata Prefectural, Tokai-Daigaku Yamagata High School, 14 Mr. Kensuke Haga, and to the Honorable Edward J. B. Calvo, I Maga'lahen Guåhan. DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF I MINA'TRENTAI UNU A NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE 14th DAY OF NOVEMBER 2011. RORY J. RESPICIO JUDITH T. WONPAT, Ed.D Speaker Chairman, Committee on Rules TINA ROSE MUÑA-BARNES

Legislative Secretary