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

Resolution No. 234 -31 (COR)

Introduced by:

R.J. RESPICIO

Relative to recognizing and commending Simona Alfred, for winning 2^{nd} place in the $9^{th} - 12^{th}$ grade category of the BASTA Bullying Prevention Poster competition, part of the promotion and educational outreach component of Bullying Prevention in Guam, most especially during "National Bullying Prevention Month."

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

3 WHEREAS, Guam has joined communities across the country to celebrate 4 National Bullying Prevention Month, during the month of October, in order to 5 promote bullying prevention within our schools and community to support the 6 needs of children; and

WHEREAS, it has been shown that community involvement is critical in
effectively reducing the occurrences of bullying and in encouraging more
acceptable behaviors from our children through the education and promotion of
positive behavioral alternatives to bullying, and;

WHEREAS, it has been recognized that each person in our community plays one of three roles with regards to bullying, being either the bully, the bullied, or the bystander who observes the act and further recognizing that the bystander who does not become involved in discouraging bullying behavior enables the behavior to continue and must be educated about the importance of their role in the prevention of bullying, and;

1 WHEREAS, Guam seeks to educate and raise awareness of 2 bullying prevention efforts by engaging our island's youth to become more active 3 participants in bullying prevention measures, such as the first BASTA (Bullying Affects Students, Teachers, and ALL) Bullying Prevention Poster contest; and 4

5 WHEREAS, members of the Judiciary of Guam, the Department of 6 Education, along with community partners and concerned citizens have joined 7 together to engage our youth in positive activities and provide educational outreach 8 aimed at reducing bullying in our communities; now, therefore, be it

9 **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina' Trentai Unu Na* 10 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the 11 people of Guam, encourage the people of Guam to join in recognizing the 12 achievements of Simona Alfred for her commitment to being a part of the solution 13 to prevent bullying in Guam through her participation in the BASTA Bullying 14 Prevention Poster contest and subsequent second place win in her category; and be 15 it further

16 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on
17 Rules certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that
18 copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Chief Justice F. Philip Carbullido,
19 Judiciary of Guam; the Guam Legislature; and to the Honorable Edward Baza
20 Calvo, *I Maga'Låhen Guåhan*.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THIS _____ DAY OF OCTOBER 2011.

JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D. Speaker **RORY J. RESPICIO** Chairperson, Committee on Rules

TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES Legislative Secretary