

I MINA 'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
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Resolution No. 239-31 (COR)

Introduced by:


R.J. RESPICIO

Relative to recognizing and commending Geoffrey Gersaniba, for winning 1st place in the 3rd – 5th 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.”

1 **BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF *I MINA'***
2 ***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

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

11 **WHEREAS**, it has been recognized that each person in our community
12 plays one of three roles with regards to bullying, being either the bully, the bullied,
13 or the bystander who observes the act and further recognizing that the bystander
14 who does not become involved in discouraging bullying behavior enables the
15 behavior to continue and must be educated about the importance of their role in the
16 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
4 Affects Students, Teachers, and ALL) Bullying Prevention Poster contest; and

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 Geoffrey Gersaniba for his commitment to being a part of the
13 solution to prevent bullying in Guam through his participation in the BASTA
14 Bullying Prevention Poster contest and subsequent first place win in his category;
15 and be 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