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Resolution No. 249 -31 (COR)

Introduced by:

R.J. RESPICIO

Relative to recognizing and commending Mr. Rick Phillips MS Ed., for his outstanding contribution to the BASTA Bullying Prevention Conference and for joining in the promotion and educational outreach component of bullying prevention in Guam.

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

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

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

WHEREAS, Guam seeks to educate and raise awareness of bullying prevention efforts through specific events like the first BASTA (Bullying Affects Students, Teachers, and All) Bullying Prevention Conference; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Rick Phillips, MS Ed., is the executive director and founder of Community Matters (CM), a California based nonprofit organization whose mission is to engage, equip, and empower young people to be contributors and peacemakers in their schools and communities; and

1 **WHEREAS**, Mr. Rick Phillips, MS Ed., has appeared on numerous
2 television programs, such as the Today Show, CNN, and in print, radio and
3 regional/national interview programs as an expert in violence prevention and
4 empowering youth; and

5 **WHEREAS**, Mr. Rick Phillips, MS Ed., is a published author, having
6 written the books “Ten Years after Columbine: School Violence-Prevention Report
7 Card” and “Safe School Ambassadors: Harnessing Student Power to Stop Bullying
8 and Violence”; and

9 **WHEREAS**, Mr. Rick Phillips, MS Ed., is the creator and co-developer of
10 the Safe School Ambassadors program, a youth-centered, violence prevention
11 program that has been implemented in more than 900 schools in the United States
12 and Canada; and

13 **WHEREAS**, members of the Judiciary of Guam and the Department of
14 Education invited Mr. Rick Phillips, who is a nationally-recognized educator,
15 speaker, facilitator, and trainer, to attend the BASTA Bullying Prevention
16 Conference as a guest speaker to provide educational outreach aimed at reducing
17 bullying and cyberbullying in our communities; now, therefore, be it

18 **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina' Trentai Unu Na*
19 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the
20 people of Guam, encourage the people of Guam to join in recognizing the
21 contributions of Mr. Rick Phillips for his commitment to being a part of the
22 solution to preventing bullying in Guam through his participation as a guest
23 speaker at the BASTA Bullying Prevention Conference; and be it further

24 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on
25 Rules certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that
26 copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Chief Justice F. Philip Carbullido,

1 Judiciary of Guam; and to the Honorable Edward Baza Calvo, *I Maga'Låhen*
2 *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

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