I MINA 'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN 2012 (Second) Regular Session

Resolution No. 323-31 (COR)

Introduced by:

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RELATIVE TO COMMENDING AND RECOGNIZING *J MAGA'LAHEN GUÅHAN, I MINA 'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN,* **GUAM DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, GUAM COMMUNITY COLLEGE, THE UNIVERSITY OF GUAM FOR THEIR CONTINUED SUPPORT, CONTRIBUTION AND COMMITMENT TO CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION ON GUAM.**

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF *I Mina 'Trentai Unu NA*

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WHEREAS, aligned with Governor Calvo's "classrooms to careers" initiative, stating in his State of the Island Address on January 31, 2012, "it is the building of a long-term economic development strategy that has, at its heart, an education system that produces the career workforce and entrepreneurs to build the economy." The educational institutions are to provide the tools necessary for effectively entering the workforce. It is the education of the people of Guam that will ensure their success in the workforce, enhanced job improvement and satisfaction, and the strengthening of the economy; and

WHEREAS, the goal of the Association of Career and Technical Education (ACTE) is to prepare both youth and adults for a wide range of careers and further educational opportunities. These careers may require varying levels of education, including industry recognized credentials, postsecondary certificates and two or four year degrees. ACTE is dedicated to the cultivation and provides leadership for a more "educated, prepared, adaptable and competitive workforce"; and

WHEREAS, Career and Technical Education (CTE) curricula prepares both the island's youth and adults population for a wide range of careers and further educational opportunities. These careers may require varying levels of education, including industry recognized credentials, postsecondary certificates and two or four year degrees. CTE is at the forefront of preparing students to be college and career ready. CTE equips students with core academic skills and the

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ability to apply those skills to concrete situations in order to be effective in the workplace. CTE
fosters employability skills (not found in traditional academic courses), such as critical thinking
and responsibility. These are essential and basic skills needed in any career path. CTE arms
students with job specific, technical skills related to broad career pathways; and

WHEREAS, Public Law 31-156, The "College and Career Readiness (CCaRe) Act" enables the Guam Board of Education, in collaboration with the Superintendent of Education, the Guam Workforce Investment Board, Guam Community College, and the University of Guam to establish a strategic plan for developing and adopting integrated CTE curriculum into Guam Department of Education's new District Action Plan; and

WHEREAS, in celebration of National Career and Technical Education Month in February, the *First Annual* Guam Career and Technical Education Summit 2012: "Imagine: Careers through Education," beginning on February 16, 2012 and ending on February 18, 2012, will help bridge the gap between Guam's educational institutions, local businesses, parents and students, and now, therefore, be it;

RESOLVED, that I Mina' Trentai Unu Na Liheslaturan Guåhan, does hereby, on behalf 34 of the people of Guåhan, highly commend Taling Taitano, Interim Superintendant of Guam 35 Department of Education; Dr. Mary Okada, President of Guam Community College; Dr. Robert 36 Underwood, President of the University of Guam; David Leddy, President of Guam Chamber of 37 Commerce; James Martinez, Chairman of the Guam Workforce Investment Board and President 38 of the Guam Contractors Association; the Agency for Human Resource Development; Guam 39 Department of Labor, and Members of the CTE Task Force, in the support of preparing the 40 youth and young adults to be college and career ready and in recognizing the importance of 41 enhancing the local workforce by supporting Career and Technical Education 42

RESOLVED, the partnership between I Maga'lahen Guåhan, I Mina 'Trentai Unu Na 43 Liheslaturan Guåhan, Guam Department of Education, Guam Community College, the 44 University of Guam, and in collaboration with Guam Workforce Investment Board, Agency for 45 Human Resources Development, Guam Department of Labor, Guam Chamber of Commerce, 46 Guam Contractors Association, and Local Business Community will mark the beginning of a 47 commitment to strengthen workforce readiness and to encourage the continued support for 48 Career and Technical Education to enhance the public education on the island of Guam, be it 49 further; 50

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RESOLVED, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Dr. Mary Okada, President of Guam Community College; Dr. Robert Underwood, President of the University of Guam; Director of the Agency for Human Resource Development; Director of Guam Department of Labor; James Martinez, Chairman Guam Contractors Assocation; David Leddy, President of Guam Chamber of Commerce; and to the Honorable Edward J.B. Calvo, I Maga 'lahen Guahan.

> DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF *I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* ON THE __TH DAY OF ___.

JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D Speaker

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