


*I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN*

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Introduced by:

Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr. 

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**RELATIVE TO RECOGNIZING AND COMMENDING GUAM ECHECS (ISLAND CHESS) FOR ITS EFFORTS IN ESTABLISHING AND PROMOTING THE GAME OF CHESS ON GUAM ESTABLISHING GUAM AS A MEMBER OF THE INTERNATIONAL FIELD OF CHESS COMPETITORS.**

1 **BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF**

2 *I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN:*

3 **WHEREAS**, chess has always been the game of royalties, dating back over  
4 2,000 years ago; and

5 **WHEREAS**, on August 2010, the founders of Guam Echecs decided to  
6 create the association and began the process of starting the non-profit entity; and

7 **WHEREAS**, Guam Echecs has met regularly at the Harmon McDonald's  
8 since its start to play and promote the game of chess; and

1       **WHEREAS**, these meetings have brought public awareness to the game of  
2 chess and has given players a venue to hone and sharpen their knowledge of the  
3 game; and

4       **WHEREAS**, Guam Echecs will also begin meeting at the Dededo mall to  
5 promote the goal and objectives of the game to better the community; and

6       **WHEREAS**, the primary goal of Guam Echecs is to teach, promote and  
7 foster among school children, and most especially people of all ages, sex, gender,  
8 and national origin, a closer bond and camaraderie, and the fundamental and  
9 niceties of the game of chess; and

10       **WHEREAS**, Guam Echecs also tries to stimulate interest in the game of  
11 chess by virtue of local chess competitions, especially off-island which benefit the  
12 community; and

13       **WHEREAS**, two (2) major competitions were held last year in the months  
14 of February and July at the Micronesia Mall, drawing a large number of  
15 participants; and

16       **WHEREAS**, people of all ages indulged in the aforementioned  
17 competitions, with competitors from 12 to 80 years of age; and

18       **WHEREAS**, the organization is now working hard in preparation for the  
19 2012 Guam International Chess Championship to take place in February 2012; and

1           **WHEREAS**, through the showcasing of their abilities, composure, civil and  
2 moral attitudes, these players will eventually be ambassadors of Guam in off-island  
3 competitions; and

4           **WHEREAS**, the Oceania Chess Federation has invited Guam Echecs to join  
5 the Chess Tournament to be held in Fiji in May 2012; and

6           **WHEREAS**, Guam Echecs will embark on fund raising activities to realize  
7 the sending of member or members in aforementioned tournament; and

8           **WHEREAS**, the members of Guam Echecs, especially, the founding  
9 members, namely Mike Naholowaa, Leon Ryan, Mike Herreros, H.C. Moguel,  
10 Elmer Prudente, Joseph Garcia, Roberto Rodriguez and Miguel Herreros are  
11 grateful for the support and sponsorships of Micronesia Mall, Great National  
12 Insurance, the Pangasinan Association, Benson, PDN, Marianas Variety, Rambie's  
13 and so many others to mention; and, now therefore be it

14           **RESOLVED**, *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the people of Guam, congratulate  
15 and extend a warm Un Dangkolo Na Si Yu'os Ma'ase' to the coordinators,  
16 sponsors and members of Guam Echecs for their efforts in promoting and  
17 propagating the game of chess on the island of Guam; and be it further

18           **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairman of the Committee on  
19 Rules certify, and the Secretary of the Legislature attest to , the adoption hereof,  
20 and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Mr. Mike Naholowaa, the

- 1 current President of Guam Echecs, and to the Honorable Edward J.B. Calvo, *I*
- 2 *Maga'lahaen Guåhan.*

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES  
OF *I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* ON THE \_\_\_\_\_  
DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2012.**

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**JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D**

**Speaker**

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**Chairman, Committee on Rules**

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**TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES**

**Legislative Secretary**