I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN (1) (SECOND) Regular Session

Resolution No. 327-31 (15)

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Relative to recognizing and commending the organizers of the Sixth (6th) Annual Women Veterans Conference in celebration of March as "National Women's History Month," and for the honorable contributions and dedicated effort they have made on behalf of women in our community, and the people of Guam.

1 BE IT RESOLVED BY I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN: 2

WHEREAS, on March 8, 1980, President Jimmy Carter issued a Presidential Proclamation declaring the week of March 8 as the first "National Women's History Week," honoring and recognizing the contributions of women throughout American history as they played and continue to play a pivotal cultural, social, and economic role within their communities. This effort resulted in a national movement to continue to recognize the contributions of women nationally and internationally, which led to proclaiming the month of March as "National Women's History Month"; and

WHEREAS, the United States Congress has recognized that women of every race, class, and ethnic background have served as leaders in the forefront of every major progressive social change movement, including the securing of rights of suffrage and equal opportunity for women, the abolitionist movement, the emancipation movement, the industrial labor movement, the civil rights movement, and other movements creating a more fair and just society for all; and WHEREAS, the United States Congress has recognized that despite these contributions that have tremendously shaped the identity of our nation, the role of women in history has been consistently overlooked and undervalued, thus each year a theme is developed to address the ways women continue to succeed in spite of such struggle; and WHEREAS, to celebrate "National Women's History Month," the Guam Vet Center, U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, Unique Pacific Resources, WestCare Pacific Islands, and the Bureau of Women's Affairs— Guam Department of Labor are sponsoring the Sixth (6th) Annual Women Veterans Conference, with a primary goal of recognizing the contributions women veterans have made through their military service and within their communities: and WHEREAS, the Conference also seeks to provide current information regarding U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs services and benefits available to veterans and encouraging women veterans to utilize such existing services; to promote greater understanding of women issues by obtaining input from women veterans; and to build resilience through better understanding of issues and promoting the unique role women have within our community; now, therefore, be it

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1	RESOLVED, that I Mina 'Trentai Unu Na Liheslaturan Guåhan does
2	hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, recognize and commend all
3	women for their contributions to our island community on the celebration of
4	the month of March as "National Women's History Month," and encourages
5	all island residents to observe this special month by giving respect,
6	recognition and admiration to all women for the historic contributions to the
7	growth and strength of our island; and does further commend and
8	congratulate the organizers of the Sixth (6 th) Annual Women Veterans
9	Conference for their foresight and continued commitment to recognizing the
10	contributions women veterans have made for our island, our nation, and the
11	world; and be it further
12	RESOLVED, that the Speaker certify, and the Legislative Secretary
13	attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter
14	transmitted to the Guam Department of Labor; to the Guam Vet Center; to
15	the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs; to the U.S. Navy; to the U.S. Air
16	Force; to the Guam Army National Guard; to the Small Business
17	Administration; to the Honorable Madeleine Z. Bordallo, Guam's Delegate
18	and Member of Congress, U.S. House of Representatives; and to the
19	Honorable Edward J.B. Calvo, I Maga'lahen Guåhan.
	DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY <i>I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN</i> ON THE DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2012.
	JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D. Speaker TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES Legislative Secretary