

I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
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Resolution No. 558-31 (over)

Introduced by:

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Relative to commending and expressing an *Un Dangkolo Na Si Yu'os Ma'åse'* to *Inafa'måolek* for their selfless commitment and fine work in reaching out and positively touching the lives of our island community; and to further recognizing October, 2012 as Mediation Month for the Island of Guam and we call this observance to the attention of all of our citizens of Guam

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

3 WHEREAS, *Inafa'måolek's* vision is to enhance peacemaking and reduce
4 violence related litigation through advocacy, mediation, end education; and

5 WHEREAS, *Inafa'måolek* mission is dedicated to reducing violence
6 related litigations and fostering peace and harmony in schools, Workplaces,
7 and communities; and

8 WHEREAS, Since 1975, *Inafa'måolek* is Guam's only organization
9 dedicated exclusively to peacemaking, especially dispute settlement services
10 (such as mediation and restorative justice) and conflict resolution training for
11 all ages; and

1 **WHEREAS,** *Inafa'måolek* has trained and helped establish peer
2 mediation programs in more than 30 Guam schools from elementary to high
3 school; and,

4 **WHEREAS,** the heart and soul of the work of *Inafa'måolek* is its focus on
5 mediating conflicts, many referred by Superior Court Judges; and

6 **WHEREAS,** *Inafa'måolek* has provided mediation programs for all
7 sectors of Guam's community; and,

8 **WHEREAS,** In November 1994 *Inafa'måolek* (IM) conducted its first Peer
9 Mediation training for 31 students from John F. Kennedy High School. That
10 Spring IM conducted its first middle school training and the following fall did
11 its first elementary training. In subsequent years IM conducted at least ten
12 such 10-hour trainings every school year...totaling over 150 trainings
13 altogether inclusive of over 30 public, private and Department of Defense
14 Schools throughout Guam. In support of Peer Mediation, *Inafa'måolek*
15 provides an array of specialized conflict resolution workshops for students
16 including: Date Rape/Dating Violence, Bullying, Hate Crimes (Racial-Ethnic
17 Conflict), Suicide, Sexual Harassment, Rumors & Gossip, Peer Pressure &
18 Smoking (Drugs/Drunk Driving/Drug Racing), Bulimia, and Bystander
19 Response ("Good Samaritan"); and

20 **WHEREAS,** the hallmarks of *Inafa'måolek* workshops are the use of
21 drama (Peace Theatre skits) and *Inafa'måolek* youthful training team for other
22 stakeholders within the schools, such as: "Peer Mediation Awareness" for
23 parents; and "Creating a Safe School Climate" workshops for School Aides
24 (support staff); and Staff Development presentations for faculty and school
25 administrators; now therefore, be it

1 **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina'Trentai Unu Na*
2 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the people
3 of Guam does hereby recognize October, 2012 as **Mediation Month** for the
4 Island of Guam and we call this observance to the attention of all of our
5 citizens of Guam; and be it further

6 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules
7 certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof and that copies of
8 the same be thereafter transmitted to the *Inafa'måolek Conciliation* and to the
9 Honorable Edward B. Calvo, *I Maga'lahaen Guåhan*.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY *I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* ON THE ____ DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2012.

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Speaker

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