I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUAHAN 2012 (SECOND) Regular Session

Resolution No. 577-31 (COR)

Introduced by:

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Relative to recognizing the contributions of the late Arthur Walter "Bill" Neilsen and to extending condolences to his family on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the people of Guam.

1BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF I2MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUAHAN:

WHEREAS, the motorcycle community of Guam mourns the loss of a great man and fellow motorcycle rider. Over the years, Arthur Walter "Bill" Neilsen helped his fellow bikers during their time of need. Bill as he was affectionately known, will always be remembered for his loyalty, sincerity, humor and sense of style; and

WHEREAS, Arthur Walter "Bill" Neilsen owner of Guam Harley-Davidson,
passed away on Thursday, October 18, 2012; the news of his death shocked his family
and friends who formed close friendships with him over the years; and

WHEREAS, under his leadership, Bill established the Guam Harley-Davidson,
 the only authorized Harley-Davidson full line dealership within the Mariana Islands
 region. The Guam Harley-Davidson provided a complete line of genuine Harley Davidson motorcycles, parts, accessories, clothing & collectibles; and

14 WHEREAS, '*Bill*' as he is affectionately known by his family and friends had 15 a heart of gold, *Bill* was a pied piper caring for our community, he was a man who never said no to the community, he continued to give and didn't want anything in
 return; and

WHEREAS, *Bill* and Guam Harley-Davidson always contributed to the Salvation Army, Guam Memorial Hospital, Naval Hospital, St. Dominic's, the Fisher House, Special Olympics, and the Alee Shelter; one thing his friends say is that *Bill* never said no to fundraisers, he was always there, helping out and calling Guam his home; and

8 WHEREAS, another display of Bill's compassion for the community was his 9 unselfish decision to allow vendors to sell their items in the parking lot surrounding 10 the Harley Davidson shop free of charge ... *Bill* gave a lot; and

WHEREAS, through one of his community outreach programs, Bill helped established the H.O.G. Mariana Islands Chapter associated with the Guam Harley-Davidson. Through his efforts the group conducted many fundraisers and donated to local and off island charities and on the 2nd Sunday of each month conducted a variety of activities to promote good will in the community and fellowship among Harley riders; and

WHEREAS, on the day Bill passed away, the sounds of Harley Davidson motorcycles roared at the overpass along Route 16 near the spot where Bill lost his life; his family and friends gathered at the site and placed a wreath in his honor; and

WHEREAS, Bill was loved by many and will be greatly missed by all; now,
therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina'Trentai unu Na Liheslaturan Guahan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guahan* and the people of Guam, recognize and honor the late Arthur Walter "Bill" Neilsen for his invaluable contributions to the people of Guam, and for his commitment and compassion for the community, and to expressing sincere condolences to his family and friends; and be it further **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 the family of the late Arthur Walter "Bill"
 Neilsen; and to the Honorable Edward J.B. Calvo, *Maga'lahen Guahan*.