

I Mina' Trentai Dos Na Lihelaturan Guåhan
Resolutions Log Sheet

Resolution No.	Sponsor	Title	Date Intro	Date of Presentation	Date Referred	Committee / Ofc Referred	Date Adopted
98-32 (COR)	Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D., T. R. Muña Barnes	Relative to <i>I Mina'trentai Dos na Lihelaturan Guåhan</i> (the 32nd Guam Legislature) supporting the Coalition of Flight Attendant Unions, Federal Law Enforcement Officers Association, Coalition of Airline Pilots Associations, and the Federal Flight Deck Officers Association in their opposition of the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) policy change to allow knives and other dangerous items on board aircrafts; and to encourage the Secretary of Homeland Security (TSA) to prohibit airplane passengers from bringing aboard a passenger aircraft any item that was prohibited as of March 1, 2013.	4/10/2013 2:18 p.m.		4/9/2013	Sponsor Public Hearing 4/18/13 @ 2:00 p.m MFQSN Committee Report Received 4/22/13 11:47 a.m.	
	DATE PASSED	TITLE	TRANSMITTED		DUE DATE	<small>DATE SIGNED BY I MAGA'LAHEN GUAHAN</small>	NOTES
	4/22/2013	Relative to <i>I Mina'Trentai Dos Na Lihelaturan Guåhan</i> (the 32 nd Guam Legislature) supporting the Coalition of Flight Attendant Unions, the Federal Law Enforcement Officers Association, the Coalition of Airline Pilots Associations, and the Federal Flight Deck Officers Association in their opposition of the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) policy change to allow knives and other dangerous items on board aircrafts; and to further encouraging the U.S. Secretary of Homeland Security to prohibit airplane passengers from bringing aboard a passenger aircraft any item that was prohibited as of March 1, 2013.	04/30/13	2:00pm			As amended by the Author. 5/21/13, 11:00am- Presentation

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Received:

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April 25, 2013

Honorable Edward J.B. Calvo
I Maga'láhen Guåhan
Office of the Governor of Guam
Ricardo J. Bordallo Governor's Complex
Adelup, Guam 96910

REF: Resolution No. 98-32 (COR)

Dear Governor Calvo:

Transmitted herewith is **Resolution No. 98-32 (COR)** "Relative to *I Mina'Trentai Dos Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* (the 32nd Guam Legislature) supporting the Coalition of Flight Attendant Unions, the Federal Law Enforcement Officers Association, the Coalition of Airline Pilots Associations, and the Federal Flight Deck Officers Association in their opposition of the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) policy change to allow knives and other dangerous items on board aircrafts; and to further encouraging the U.S. Secretary of Homeland Security to prohibit airplane passengers from bringing aboard a passenger aircraft any item that was prohibited as of March 1, 2013." which was duly and regularly adopted by *I Mina'Trentai Dos Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* on April 22nd, 2013.

Sincerely,

TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES
Legislative Secretary

Enclosure

RECEIVED BY [Signature]
CENTRAL FILES
TIME 2:42
DATE 4/30/13

I MINA'TRENTAI DOS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN
2013 (FIRST) Regular Session

Resolution No. 98-32 (COR)

As amended by the Author.

Introduced by:

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1 **BE IT RESOLVED BY *I MINA'TRENTAI DOS NA LIHESLATURAN***
2 ***GUÁHAN*:**

3 **WHEREAS**, on September 11, 2001, hijackers on board United Airlines
4 Flight 93, United Airlines Flight 175, American Airlines Flight 77, and American
5 Airlines Flight 11 took over these planes using mace, boxcutters and knives to
6 attack passengers and crew. While the federal authority responsible for aviation
7 safety and security at the time, the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), did not

1 expressly prohibit knives with blades shorter than 4 inches in length, the
2 checkpoint operations guide, developed by the airlines in consultation with the
3 FAA, explicitly permitted them. After these deadly terrorist attacks of 9/11, all
4 knives and dangerous sporting equipment, such as pool cues, were placed on a list
5 of prohibited items and banned from planes; and

6 **WHEREAS**, after 9/11, the U.S. Congress acted and passed the *Aviation*
7 *Transportation Security Act* (ATSA), which established the TSA and provided a
8 screening workforce of federal employees responsible for airline passenger safety
9 and baggage security; and

10 **WHEREAS**, in 2004, the U.S. Congress passed the *Intelligence Reform and*
11 *Terrorism Prevention Act* of 2004 (Public Law 108-458) which granted TSA's
12 Administrator the authority to modify the list of items that would be prohibited
13 from planes. Congress acted swiftly to ensure that TSA was afforded the resources
14 and authority to ensure a secure aviation system for the American flying public;
15 and

16 **WHEREAS**, the TSA cites efforts to move toward a “risk-based approach”
17 checkpoint process, thereby allowing the security screenings by Transportation
18 Security Officers (TSOs) the ability to focus on searching for items that may cause
19 catastrophic damage to an aircraft; and

20 **WHEREAS**, the TSA's recent change in policy seems unlikely to produce
21 significant efficiencies at airport security. TSA's decision appears to have been
22 reached without any formal engagement with stakeholders impacted by this policy,
23 including our frontline workers aboard flights, the crewmembers, and the
24 employees responsible for implementing the changes; and

25 **WHEREAS**, TSA's failure to engage all relevant stakeholders is
26 unfortunate, in light of existing processes and mechanisms in place to garner input
27 from frontline workers, such as the Aviation Security Advisory Committee
28 (ASAC), which has played a critical role in the development of security policies

1 and protocols, such as the Final Rule on Air Cargo Security; and

2 **WHEREAS**, flight attendants face potentially violent passengers every day
3 - passengers who are angry, depressed, intoxicated or frightened while in flight,
4 and allowing knives on planes makes it less safe, when flight attendants have to
5 address such passengers as they work to de-escalate the situation; and

6 **WHEREAS**, Guam-based flight crews have shared similar concerns with
7 the proposed policy that would permit passengers to bring knives and previously
8 prohibited sports equipment onboard passenger aircrafts; now therefore, be it

9 **RESOLVED**, that *I Mina'Trentai Dos Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does
10 hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, support the concerns of Guam-based
11 flight crews, the Coalition of Flight Attendant Unions, the Federal Law
12 Enforcement Officers Association, the Coalition of Airline Pilots Associations, and
13 the Federal Flight Deck Officers Association, and their opposition of the
14 Transportation Security Administration's (TSA) policy change to allow knives and
15 other dangerous items on board aircrafts; and does further encourage the
16 Honorable Janet Napolitano, U.S. Secretary of Homeland Security, to prohibit
17 airplane passengers from bringing aboard a passenger aircraft any item that was
18 prohibited as of March 1, 2013; and be it further

19 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest
20 to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to the
21 Honorable John S. Pistole, Administrator, Transportation Security Administration
22 (TSA); to the Honorable Janet Napolitano, U.S. Secretary of Homeland Security;
23 to Ms. Veda Shook, International President of the Association of Flight
24 Attendants-CWA, AFL-CIO; to Mr. Jon Adler, National President, Federal Law
25 Enforcement Officers Association; to First Officer D. Michael Karn, President,
26 Coalition of Airline Pilots Associations; to Captain Jim Krauss, Chairman, Federal
27 Flight Deck Officers Association; to the Honorable Harry Reid, Majority Leader,
28 United States Senate; to the Honorable John Boehner, Speaker, U.S. House of

1 Representatives; to the Honorable Madeleine Z. Bordallo, Guam Delegate to the
2 United States House of Representatives; to the Honorable Barack Obama,
3 President, United States of America; and to the Honorable Edward J.B. Calvo, *I*
4 *Maga'lahaen Guåhan.*

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY I MINA'TRENTAI DOS NA
LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE 22ND DAY OF APRIL, 2013.**



JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D.
Speaker



RORY J. RESPICIO
Chairperson, Committee on Rules



TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES
Legislative Secretary

LEGISLATIVE SESSION ATTENDANCE

I MINA'TRENTAI DOS NA LIHESLATURAN

2013 (FIRST) Regular Session

Voting Sheet

Speaker Antonio R. Unipingco Legislative Session Hall

Resolution No: 98-32 (COR)

NAME	Yea	Nay	Not Voting/ Abstained	Out During Roll Call	Absent
Senator Thomas "Tom" C. ADA	✓				
Senator V. Anthony "Tony" ADA	✓				
Senator Frank Blas AGUON Jr.	✓				
Vice-Speaker Benjamin J.F. CRUZ	✓				
Senator Christopher M. DUENAS					✓
Senator Michael LIMTIACO	✓				
Senator Brant McCREADIE	✓				
Senator Thomas "Tommy" MORRISON					✓
Senator Tina Rose MUÑA BARNES	✓				
Senator Vicente (ben) Cabrera PANGELINAN	✓				
Senator Rory J. RESPICIO	✓				
Senator Dennis G. RODRIGUEZ, Jr.	✓				
Senator Michael F. Q.SAN NICOLAS	✓				
Speaker Judith T. WON PAT, Ed.D.	✓				
Senator Aline A. YAMASHITA, Ph.D.	✓				

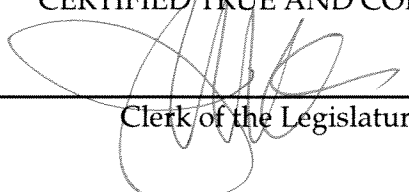
TOTAL

13
YEA

NAY

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EXCUSED

CERTIFIED TRUE AND CORRECT:


Clerk of the Legislature



Office of the Speaker Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D.

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The Honorable Rory J. Respicio
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RE: Report of Amended Resolution No. 98-32 (COR)

Dear Chairperson Respicio:

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The votes are as follows:

- TO DO PASS
- TO NOT PASS
- TO REPORT OUT ONLY
- TO ABSTAIN
- TO PLACE IN INACTIVE FILE

Senseramente,

Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D.
Chairperson

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ON

**Amended Resolution No. 98-32 (COR) As Introduced - J.T.
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April 22, 2013

MEMORANDUM

TO: All Members

FROM: Speaker Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D.

SUBJECT: Report on Amended Resolution No. 98-32 (COR)

Transmitted herewith for your consideration is the Report on Amended Resolution No. 98-32 (COR) As Introduced - J.T. Won Pat, Ed.D. / T.R. Muña Barnes Relative to *I Mina'trentai Dos na Liheslaturan Guåhan* (the 32nd Guam Legislature) supporting the Coalition of Flight Attendant Unions, Federal Law Enforcement Officers Association, Coalition of Airline Pilots Associations, and the Federal Flight Deck Officers Association in their opposition of the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) policy change to allow knives and other dangerous items on board aircrafts; and to encourage the Secretary of Homeland Security (TSA) to prohibit airplane passengers from bringing aboard a passenger aircraft any item that was prohibited as of March 1, 2013.

This report includes the following:

- Committee Vote Sheet
- Committee Report Digest
- Resolution No. 98-32 (COR)
- Amended Resolution No. 98-32 (COR)
- Public Hearing Sign-in Sheet
- Copies of Submitted Testimony & Supporting Documents
- COR Referral of Resolution No. 98-32 (COR)
- Notices of Public Hearing
- Public Hearing Agenda

Your attention to this matter is greatly appreciated. Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Senseramente,

Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D.
Speaker

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COMMITTEE VOTING SHEET

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	SIGNATURE	TO PASS	NOT TO PASS	TO REPORT OUT ONLY	ABSTAIN DUE TO POTENTIAL CONFLICT	TO PLACE IN INACTIVE FILE
Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D. Chairperson		4/22/13 ✓				
Aline A. Yamashita, Ph.D. Vice Chairperson						
Frank B. Aguon, Jr.		4/22/13 ✓				
Tina R. Muna-Barnes		✓				
Vicente C. Pangellinan		✓				
Rory J. Respicio		4/22/13 ✓				
Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr.						
Michael F.Q. San Nicolas		4/22/13 ✓				
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Resolution Report Digest

I. OVERVIEW

Speaker Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D. convened a public hearing on Thursday, April 18, 2013 at 2:00 p.m. in *I Liheslatura's* Public Hearing Room. On the agenda was the consideration of Resolution No. 98-32 (COR) Relative to *I Mina'trentai Dos na Liheslaturan Guåhan* (the 32nd Guam Legislature) supporting the Coalition of Flight Attendant Unions, Federal Law Enforcement Officers Association, Coalition of Airline Pilots Associations, and the Federal Flight Deck Officers Association in their opposition of the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) policy change to allow knives and other dangerous items on board aircrafts; and to encourage the Secretary of Homeland Security (TSA) to prohibit airplane passengers from bringing aboard a passenger aircraft any item that was prohibited as of March 1, 2013.

Public Notice Requirements

All legal requirements for public notices were met, with requests for publication sent to all media and all Senators on April 11, 2013 (5 Day Notice), and April 16, 2013 (48 Hour Notice) via email. Copies of the hearing notices are appended to the report.

Senators Present

Speaker Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D.
Senator Tina R. Muna Barnes
Senator Michael F.Q. San Nicolas
Senator Frank B. Aguon, Jr.
Senator Aline A. Yamashita, Ph.D.

Appearing before the Committee

Mr. Ronald Jackson, Flight Manager United Airlines
Ms. Angella Alvarez Forbes, Flight Attendant United Airlines
Mr. Jose Torres, Flight Attendant United Airlines

The public hearing was called to order at 2:06 p.m.

II. SUMMARY OF TESTIMONY AND DISCUSSION

- **Speaker Won Pat, Ed.D.** announced that Resolution 98-32 (COR) will be heard.

- **Speaker Won Pat, Ed.D.** gave her opening remarks about the resolution. She stated several weeks ago that she along with Senator Tina Muna Barnes were approached by Guam based United Airlines Flight Attendants about the concerns that flight crews have with the proposed policy change of the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) to allow knives and other dangerous items on board aircrafts. She stated this policy change would permit passengers to bring knives and previously prohibited sports equipment onboard passenger aircrafts.

She stated as a result of the meeting with our local flight attendants who are also part of the Coalition of Flight Attendant Unions, representing 90,000 Flight Attendants nationwide, we introduced Res. No. 98-32 which supports the Coalition of Flight Attendant Unions, Federal Law Enforcement Officers Association, Coalition of Airline Pilots Associations, and the Federal Flight Deck Officers Association in their opposition of this policy change.

She stated people on the front lines of aviation security know this is a bad idea. Air Marshals, Pilots, Transportation Security Officers and airline CEOs agree with Flight Attendants that this is a bad idea.

She stated the new rule does not make sense for combating potential terrorist attacks nor the daily disturbances flight attendants handle by de-escalating conflicts or asking passengers to help them contain problems.

She stated introducing knives and other weapons into these situations makes their job harder and everyone in the cabin less safe.

She concluded by stating the resolution will be transmitted to Federal Officials and Members of Congress.

- **Mr. Jackson** testified in support of the resolution. His written testimony is appended to the report.

- **Ms. Angella Alvarez Forbes** testified in support of the resolution. Her written testimony is appended to the report.

- **Mr. Torres** questioned why the leaders of Homeland Security are easing the security and that such action will allow weakness here at home. He stated the terrorists will explore for weaknesses just like in 9/11.

- **Senator Muna Barnes** reflected about the meeting the Speaker and her had with the flight attendants regarding this issue. She believes the decision by TSA is a step back from what transpired from the tragedy of 9/11. She stated that one of the reasons she supported the resolution was that many of our friends and families our flight attendants. She stated she could not understand why they (TSA) are reverting to the rules that may cause harm to flight

attendants. She spoke about the written testimonies submitted by Cynthia Iverson and Susan Hendricks who are both United flight attendants in which they asked why put our lives at risk and how box cutter knives were used to take down the three planes. She ended by stating that we need to keep our families safe by saying no to knives on planes and we may be a small voice but we can use social media to make our voices heard.

- **Senator San Nicolas** stated the testimonies presented before the committee was impressive and well researched. He stated the issue of knives on planes is very sensitive, because of the arguments revolve around safety and freedom. He appreciated the testimonies for the reason that it centered on families and children and how exposing the flight attendants to those dangerous objects runs the risk of them not returning to their families and children. He declared that he is committed to protecting the freedom and the right of every child to smile and the legislature will also be addressing a bill that deals with safety and that is the wearing of helmets while operating a motorcycle and there is also huge argument for freedom.

- **Senator Yamashita, Ph.D.** stated this whole issue reminds us of the importance of stakeholder's leadership and it is unfortunate that a huge policy issue is being move forward without including those who are carrying out the policy and practice. She stated the policy can't be effective and efficient if they don't have the flight attendants at the table. She appreciated their courage for speaking up when different levels are making decision that will affect them. She asked if there have been any incidences that jeopardize them as they did their work and is there a database maintained by United regarding these incidences. She stated if those incidence and now with knives in play it will heighten the security risk. She found a contraction that the flight attendants are held to ensure the safety of the passengers and that they want to permit the carrying of weapons. She stated it is a scary world today and whatever safety measures we could put place that's what we need to do. She ended by stating that she will always be a voice and tell them what we think.

Speaker Won Pat, Ed.D. thanked Senator Yamashita for pointing out incidences with passengers and it may be incorporated in the resolution.

Senator Aguon, Jr. appreciated the testimonies of the witnesses and expressed confidence that they have the backing of their peers, since each of them have over 20 years of service in the airline industry. He stated that he hopes the powers that be retain the old policy, because if an encounter should happen down the road it may cost a life or lives on a plane. He expressed his support for the resolution.

Speaker Won Pat, Ed.D. encouraged the public to sign the online petition no knives on plane.

Mr. Jackson clarified the petition has expired, but the flight attendants have been lobbying Congress to introduce the No Knives Act of 2013.

- There being no additional testimonies by witnesses or comments by Senators, Speaker Won Pat, Ed.D. stated the Office of the Speaker will continue to accept written testimonies for the next ten (10) days and she declared that Resolution No. 98-32 (COR) has been duly heard and concluded the public hearing of the bill.

- **Ms. Hendricks and Ms. Iverson** submitted written testimonies in support of the resolution. Their written testimonies are appended to the committee report.



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Speaker Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D. does hereby report out Amended Resolution 98-32 (COR) with the recommendation TO pass.

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Suzanne Hendricks	United	Support	yes	NO		
Cynthia Iverson	United	Support	yes	NO		
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Lucy Evangelista	"	"	—	—	6889898	—
Antoinette Millonzi	United	Support!	—	—	4835888	—

Guam Legislature resolution on No knives on planes

Ladies and Gentlemen, Fellow Residents of Guam, The Flight attendants before you and across the US. stand in unison to protest the recent TSA decision to allow small knives on board commercial aircraft beginning April 25th. Why? What is the need? We (passengers and flight attendants alike) are the ones who are put at risk. Flight attendants have become the designated responders to defend the cockpit doors. Hijackers used box cutters to take control of four jetliners in 9/11. Knives on board makes no sense. This is a very dangerous and significant roll back of airline rules. Please join us in voicing opposition to TSA's decision. NO KNIVES ON BOARD!

Sincerely,

Cynthia Iverson, United Guam Base Flight Attendant

Buenas, Good Afternoon, Lawmakers!

By the time you get to this written testimony, you will have heard, and read, many hours of emotional testimony pleading with you to help keep knives off our planes. You have heard from flight attendants, pilots - and passengers.

We United flight attendants spend our working lives locked in a metal tube with hundreds of total strangers. We are there to ensure their comfort and safety in the event of an emergency. But we don't know who they are! We are asking you to support us with legislation that will make us feel more secure in our confined environment.

We have worked hard to inform, and motivate the public to stand with us. And it shows! Right?

Have you had ANY submissions from people asking you to allow passengers to, once again, carry knives? Have you listened to ANY logical arguments about why weapons - of ANY size - should be allowed on commercial aircraft?

Please move quickly to turn this around. Keep Knives Off our Planes!
Thank you.

Suzanne Hendricks
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**NO KNIVES ON PLANES
TESTIMONIAL BY ANGELLA ALVAREZ-FORBES
I MINA' TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUAHAN
18 ABRIL 2013**

**Senora Speaker; Senot yan Senora Senadot; Manai'nahu yan
Mane'luhu ~ Putfabot ekongok este na guinagao mami**

**Madam Speaker; Senators; Respected Elders; Brothers and Sisters
~ Please hear our plea**

Si Yu'us Ma'ase, for giving us the forum to present our pleas on No Knife On Planes. You will probably hear repetitions because this cause is aligned with like thoughts. Today's Headlines Read: This was a Pretty Shameful Day in Washington; on failed gun laws. May our cause not be another Shameful day in Washington.

**PLEA: KNIFE OF ANY KIND ON THE PLANE IS NOT A SENSIBLE
DECISION**

Transportation Security Administration, under the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, is charged with effective and efficient security for the traveling public within the United States. It was disaster inspired.

On April 3, 2013, TSA Chief John S. Pistole wrote to lawmakers, expressing his plans for a relaxed knife policy in order to focus on bombs and non-metal explosives. This unilateral decision failed to recognize the perpetual onboard crew task of balancing in-flight security and safety for hundred of travelers; a decision that engenders security risk.

A breach or lapse in any layer of security can be catastrophic! In respect to the Aviation Industry, it would place Crewmembers, Passengers and Multi-million dollar equipment in line with a tightrope walk on a cantilever bridge. Knife in the hands of an assailant, a wielded little 2.36 inch knife, is still a sharp pointed implement as capable of cutting an artery as slicing an apple! Air travel security has had bomb and explosive threat search in place since the onset of modern commercial travel. This is a valuable and paramount level of security important to life and equipment loss prevention. However, on the September 11th tragedy, the FBI found no trace of bomb or explosive devices that brought down American Airlines Flight 11 or United Airlines Flight 175 into the North and South twin towers of the World Trade Center; nor on American Airlines Flight 77 that crashed

into the Pentagon; nor on United Airlines Flight 93 that crashed into a field near Shanksville, Pennsylvania, capable of greater damage, if not for the brave cell-phone armed passengers and crew! ~ It was a 'SUICIDE MISSION' devoid of Bombs or Explosives. This radical mission of destruction and explosion heard the World over, were accomplished by what appear to be the intended weapon, **Equipment and Fuel** ~ **through means of wielded 'little' box cutters** allowed on board. It was this incredible loss of lives in America that gave birth to TSA. It was an awakening to the level of security apparently thought to be 'low risk'. This wielded **box cutter, not much different from knives**, wreaked havoc on America and nearly 3,000 lives with incredible damage to our Economy even today. I do not want to find myself at the end of a 'short blade' with my family flashing past. Claims that this decision would be a time saver, is **moot**. Upon crucial discovery, immediate steps would necessitate further inspection time to ensure this little weapon meets non-locking capabilities, won't it?

John Pistole wrote to lawmakers: "Given these real and significant threats, security experts worldwide have concluded that small pocket knives and certain sporting equipment do not pose a security risk that

would result in the catastrophic failure of an aircraft and the loss of all life on board"

~ Madam Speaker, Senators and Honored Guests.... Let me say...that may have been what Security Experts and the World thought about box cutters then, ~ The application of these implements were REAL, they were SIGNIFICANT, and proved a CATASTROPHIC FAILURE OF FOUR (4) AIRCRAFTS AND ALL THE LIVES ON BOARD!

Mr. Pistole must be vigilant in protecting lives and equipment through all means, including tedious tasks that could deter, prevent or eliminate attacks whether by creative or self-destructive means! In our lifetime, the World should never again live another (911) tragedy that rivet our senses even today, because we underestimate the potential for a major catastrophe in a small implement. We won't ask Mr. Pistole for hazardous pay, don't give us weapons! His job was never meant to be a Cinderella Ball, and the American public would expect him to 'raise the bar' not ease it!

I am a United Airlines Crew Member and a security partner of Mr. Pistole. I categorically disagree with this arbitrary and non-constructive decision. Thank You. Saina Ma'ase.

Si Angella Alvarez-Forbes, United Airlines Flight Attendant (22 Years)

Guam Legislature Resolution on No knives on Planes

The Honorable Speaker Judith T. Won Pat

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Good afternoon Madame Speaker, members of the committee on transportation, and esteemed members of the community. My name is Ron Jackson and I've been a flight attendant for quite some time. I appear before you today thankful for the opportunity to provide testimony on behalf of our Guam-based flight attendants on an issue we feel strongly about.

As you are aware, a recent decision by Chief Administrator John Pistole of the Transportation Security Agency (TSA) would allow for certain knives on board airplane cabins as early as April 25th. This means that in as little as a week from now, anyone boarding a plane will be allowed to carry certain knives on board the aircraft.

At the risk of sounding poetic madam chair and members of the committee, I come before you today to drive home the point that

this issue isn't simply just about knives, it's about lives. While the horrific events of 9/11 might seem to some a distant memory, for those of us who board flights and put safety first, the incidents of that fateful day are forever embedded in our minds. It is for this very reason that I appear before you, asking for your help to protect the safety of anyone on board aircrafts.

As a member of the Association of flight attendants- Communications Workers of America that represents over 60,000 flight attendants throughout the world, we are also a part of the Coalition of Flight attendants with over 90,000 members across the country. Together, along with the Air marshals, Transportation Security Officers, American Federal Government Employees Unions (which represents the TSA officers), Pilots and many CEOs of major airlines, we are part of a growing number of air service professionals who strongly oppose this decision.

I hope that you will stand behind our Guam-based Flight attendants and our colleagues throughout the nation in helping us

to send a strong, resounding message that we on Guam call for the immediate reversal of Mr. Pistole's decision in the interest of the safety and well-being of the travelling public. In fact, the move by Mr. Pistole to allow certain knives aboard aircrafts came about without proper input by key aviation personnel and most certainly did not involve flight attendants.

It is the TSA's belief that improvements in flight deck security since 9/11 have eliminated the possibility that terrorists with small knives can overtake aircraft personnel. While they believe small knives cannot cause a catastrophic loss of the aircraft, they easily forget and dismiss that small knives did in fact bring down all four planes on 9/11. Interestingly enough TSA will continue to disallow certain small knives, box cutters and tactical knives saying that allowing them would be too "emotional," as these were the very types used that day.

Our union International President Veda shook stated in her testimony to the subcommittee on Transportation Security that "we

have grave concerns with the lack of understanding of the necessary interaction between the cockpit and cabin in flight. Further, this cynical position assumes that casualties are acceptable due to an attack by a terrorist or irate passenger with a newly permissible knife, so long as the cockpit is not breached." Shook adds that needless to say FAs object to the callous calculation of acceptable casualties and we believe it fails to accurately recognize the mission of the TSA."

Madam speaker as a flight attendant working for nearly 25 years I believe if a passenger wants to get into the flight deck he or she will, and allowing knives that could be potentially used as a weapon, will make that much easier. As the last line of defense to that door, I or my colleagues or passengers can and may suffer injury and possibly death.

When you take away the rhetoric and the argument of whether to allow knives in the aircraft cabin for the first time since 9/11 what you're left with at the most basic level is the question: Does such a

policy change increase or decrease risk? No one can credibly argue that allowing thousands of knives onto aircraft everyday decreases the risk to passengers and crew. Knives on planes puts everyone at risk. Not just our passengers, but those of us who work the front lines. People like my friend and colleague Antoinette a mother of three, or Gloria who can't wait to get back to her grandson Jensen during her downtime. These are just two examples of many consummate professionals who will continue to do their jobs without compromising safety, something that many of us fear may occur if this push continues.

{In Conclusion} The reality is that however horrific, the events of 9/11 changed the landscape of safety as we know it. America, our world, and the global community changed forever as a result. What it taught many of us is that we each have a personal responsibility for our safety and the safety of others. The move to allow certain knives on planes opens us up to the possibility of increased danger if we allow this to continue.

While we can never predict when the next catastrophic event will occur, what we can do is to be proactive and to continue to clamor against movements that serve to undermine the safety precautions we have put in place since that fateful day almost 12 years ago. If we fail to preserve the levels of safety we have come to know since then, we will have learned nothing!

Thank you very much, Si Yu'us Ma'ase!.

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27 **WHEREAS**, Guam based flight crews have shared similar concerns with the
28 proposed policy that would permit passengers to bring knives and previously

1 prohibited sports equipment onboard passenger aircrafts; now therefore, be it,
2 **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules of I Mina'trentai Dos Na I
3 Liheslaturan Guåhan, on behalf of I Liheslaturan Guåhan and the people of Guam,
4 supports the concerns of Guam based flight crews, the Coalition of Flight Attendant
5 Unions, Federal Law Enforcement Officers Association, Coalition of Airline Pilots
6 Associations, and the Federal Flight Deck Officers Association and their opposition of
7 the Transportation Security Administration's (TSA) policy change to allow knives and
8 other dangerous items on board aircrafts; and be it further

9 **RESOLVED**, to encourage the Secretary of Homeland Security, the Honorable
10 Janet Napolitano to prohibit airplane passengers from bringing aboard a passenger
11 aircraft any item that was prohibited as of March 1, 2013; and be it further

12 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules
13 certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of
14 the same be thereafter transmitted to the Honorable John S. Pistole, Administrator,
15 Transportation Security Administration (TSA); the Honorable Janet Napolitano,
16 Secretary of Homeland Security, Ms. Veda Shook, International President of the
17 Association of Flight Attendants-CWA, AFL-CIO, Mr. Jon Adler, National President,
18 Federal Law Enforcement Officers Association; First Officer D. Michael Karn,
19 President, Coalition of Airline Pilots Associations; and Captain Jim Krauss, Chairman,
20 Federal Flight Deck Officers Association; to the Honorable Harry Reid, Majority
21 Leader, United States Senate; the Honorable John Boehner, Speaker, U.S. House of
22 Representatives; the Honorable Madeleine Z. Bordallo, Guam Delegate to the United
23 States Congress, House of Representatives; to the President, United States of America;
24 and to the Honorable Eddie Baza Calvo, I Maga'lahaen Guåhan.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF I
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Guam Legislature Resolution on No knives on Planes

The Honorable Speaker Judith T. Won Pat

April 18, 2013

Good afternoon Madame Speaker, members of the committee on transportation, and esteemed members of the community. My name is Ron Jackson and I've been a flight attendant for quite some time. I appear before you today thankful for the opportunity to provide testimony on behalf of our Guam-based flight attendants on an issue we feel strongly about.

As you are aware, a recent decision by Chief Administrator John Pistole of the Transportation Security Agency (TSA) would allow for certain knives on board airplane cabins as early as April 25th. This means that in as little as a week from now, anyone boarding a plane will be allowed to carry certain knives on board the aircraft.

At the risk of sounding poetic madam chair and members of the committee, I come before you today to drive home the point that

this issue isn't simply just about knives, it's about lives. While the horrific events of 9/11 might seem to some a distant memory, for those of us who board flights and put safety first, the incidents of that fateful day are forever embedded in our minds. It is for this very reason that I appear before you, asking for your help to protect the safety of anyone on board aircrafts.

As a member of the Association of flight attendants-Communications Workers of America that represents over 60,000 flight attendants throughout the world, we are also a part of the Coalition of Flight attendants with over 90,000 members across the country. Together, along with the Air marshals, Transportation Security Officers, American Federal Government Employees Unions (which represents the TSA officers), Pilots and many CEOs of major airlines, we are part of a growing number of air service professionals who strongly oppose this decision.

I hope that you will stand behind our Guam-based Flight attendants and our colleagues throughout the nation in helping us

to send a strong, resounding message that we on Guam call for the immediate reversal of Mr. Pistole's decision in the interest of the safety and well-being of the travelling public. In fact, the move by Mr. Pistole to allow certain knives aboard aircrafts came about without proper input by key aviation personnel and most certainly did not involve flight attendants.

It is the TSA's belief that improvements in flight deck security since 9/11 have eliminated the possibility that terrorists with small knives can overtake aircraft personnel. While they believe small knives cannot cause a catastrophic loss of the aircraft, they easily forget and dismiss that small knives did in fact bring down all four planes on 9/11. Interestingly enough TSA will continue to disallow certain small knives, box cutters and tactical knives saying that allowing them would be too "emotional," as these were the very types used that day.

Our union International President Veda shook stated in her testimony to the subcommittee on Transportation Security that "we

have grave concerns with the lack of understanding of the necessary interaction between the cockpit and cabin in flight. Further, this cynical position assumes that casualties are acceptable due to an attack by a terrorist or irate passenger with a newly permissible knife, so long as the cockpit is not breached." Shook adds that needless to say FAs object to the callous calculation of acceptable casualties and we believe it fails to accurately recognize the mission of the TSA."

Madam speaker as a flight attendant working for nearly 25 years I believe if a passenger wants to get into the flight deck he or she will, and allowing knives that could be potentially used as a weapon, will make that much easier. As the last line of defense to that door, I or my colleagues or passengers can and may suffer injury and possibly death.

When you take away the rhetoric and the argument of whether to allow knives in the aircraft cabin for the first time since 9/11 what your left with at the most basic level is the question: Does such a

policy change increase or decrease risk? No one can credibly argue that allowing thousands of knives onto aircraft everyday decreases the risk to passengers and crew. Knives on planes puts everyone at risk. Not just our passengers, but those of us who work the front lines. People like my friend and colleague Antoinette a mother of three, or Gloria who can't wait to get back to her grandson Jensen during her downtime. These are just two examples of many consummate professionals who will continue to do their jobs without compromising safety, something that many of us fear may occur if this push continues.

{In Conclusion} The reality is that however horrific, the events of 9/11 changed the landscape of safety as we know it. America, our world, and the global community changed forever as a result. What it taught many of us is that we each have a personal responsibility for our safety and the safety of others. The move to allow certain knives on planes opens us up to the possibility of increased danger if we allow this to continue.

While we can never predict when the next catastrophic event will occur, what we can do is to be proactive and to continue to clamor against movements that serve to undermine the safety precautions we have put in place since that fateful day almost 12 years ago. If we fail to preserve the levels of safety we have come to know since then, we will have learned nothing!

Thank you very much, Si Yu'us Ma'ase!.



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From: Senator Rory J. Respicio 
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Subject: Referral of Resolution No. 98-32 (COR)

As Chairperson of the Committee on Rules, I am forwarding my referral of Resolution No. 98-32 (COR). Please ensure that the subject resolution is referred, in my name, to the respective sponsor, as shown on the attachment.

I also request that the same be forwarded to all Senators of *I Mina'trentai Dos na Liheslaturan Guåhan*.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact our office at 472-7679.

Si Yu'os ma'åse!

(1) Attachments

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Public Hearing Notice - Resolution No. 98-32

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 April 18, 2013 at 2:00 p.m. in the Guam Legislature's Public Hearing room
 on Resolution No. 98-32 (COR) - Relative to I Mina'trentai Dos na
 Liheslaturan Guåhan (the 32nd Guam Legislature) supporting the Coalition of
 Flight Attendant Unions, Federal Law Enforcement Officers Association,
 Coalition of Airline Pilots Associations, and the Federal Flight Deck

Officers Association in their opposition of the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) policy change to allow knives and other dangerous items on board aircrafts; and to encourage the Secretary of Homeland Security (TSA) to prohibit airplane passengers from bringing aboard a passenger aircraft any item that was prohibited as of March 1, 2013.

To review the resolution click on the link
[http://202.128.4.46/COR_Res_32nd/R098-32%20\(COR\).pdf](http://202.128.4.46/COR_Res_32nd/R098-32%20(COR).pdf)

Written Testimonies should be addressed to Speaker Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D. and will be accepted via hand delivery to Speaker's office or the Mail Room of the Guam Legislature at 155 Hesler Place in Hagåtña or via email to fbtorres@judiwonpat.com or via facsimile to 472-3589.

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Public Hearing Agenda Thursday, April 18, 2013

Resolution No. 98-32 (COR) As Introduced - J.T. Won Pat, Ed.D. / T.R. Muña Barnes
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MEMORANDUM

To: **Rennae Meno**
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Attorney Therese M. Terlaje
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From: **Senator Rory J. Respicio** 
Majority Leader & Rules Chair

Subject: **Referral of Resolution No. 98-32 (COR)**

As Chairperson of the Committee on Rules, I am forwarding my referral of Resolution No. 98-32 (COR). Please ensure that the subject resolution is referred, in my name, to the respective sponsor, as shown on the attachment.

I also request that the same be forwarded to all Senators of *I Mina'trentai Dos na Liheslaturan Guåhan*.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact our office at 472-7679.



Si Yu'os ma'åse!

(1) Attachments

I MINA'TRENTAI DOS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN
2013 (FIRST) Regular Session

Resolution No. 98-32 (COR)

Introduced by:

J.T. Won Pat, Ed.D. 
T.R. Muna Barnes 

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1 **BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF**
2 **LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN:**

3 **WHEREAS**, on September 11, 2001, hijackers on board United 93, United 175,
4 American 77, and American 11 took over these planes using mace, box cutters and
5 knives to attack passengers and crew, while the federal authority responsible for
6 aviation safety and security at the time, the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), did
7 not expressly prohibit knives with blades shorter than 4 inches in length, the checkpoint
8 operations guide, developed by the airlines in consultation with the FAA, explicitly
9 permitted them. After these deadly terrorist attacks of 9/11, all knives and dangerous
10 sporting equipment, like pool cues, were placed on a list of prohibited items and banned
11 from planes; and

12 **WHEREAS**, After 9/11, Congress acted and passed the *Aviation*

1 *Transportation Security Act* (ATSA), which established the TSA and provided a
2 screening workforce of federal employees responsible for passenger safety and baggage
3 security; and

4 **WHEREAS**, in 2004, Congress passed the *Intelligence Reform and Terrorism*
5 *Prevention Act* of 2004 (PL. 108-458), which granted TSA's Administrator the authority
6 to modify the list of items that would be prohibited from planes, Congress acted swiftly
7 to ensure that TSA was afforded the resources and authority to ensure a secure aviation
8 system for the American flying public; and

9 **WHEREAS**, the TSA cites efforts to move toward a “risk-based approach”
10 checkpoint process, thereby allowing the security screenings by Transportation Security
11 Officers (TSOs) the ability to focus on searching for items that may cause catastrophic
12 damage to an aircraft; and

13 **WHEREAS**, the TSA's recent change in policy seems unlikely to produce
14 significant efficiencies at airport security, TSA's decision appears to have been reached
15 without any formal engagement with stakeholders impacted by this policy, including
16 our frontline workers aboard flights, the crewmembers and the employees responsible
17 for implementing the changes; and

18 **WHEREAS**, TSA's failure to engage all relevant stakeholders is unfortunate, in
19 light of existing processes and mechanisms in place to garner input from frontline
20 workers, such as the Aviation Security Advisory Committee (ASAC), which has played
21 a critical role in the development of security policies and protocols, such as the Final
22 Rule on Air Cargo Security; and

23 **WHEREAS**, Guam based flight crews have shared similar concerns with the
24 proposed policy that would permit passengers to bring knives and previously prohibited
25 sports equipment onboard passenger aircrafts; now therefore, be it,

26 **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules of I Mina'trentai Dos Na I
27 Liheslaturan Guåhan, on behalf of I Liheslaturan Guåhan and the people of Guam,
28 supports the concerns of Guam based flight crews, the Coalition of Flight

1 Attendant Unions, Federal Law Enforcement Officers Association, Coalition of Airline
2 Pilots Associations, and the Federal Flight Deck Officers Association and their
3 opposition of the Transportation Security Administration's (TSA) policy change to
4 allow knives and other dangerous items on board aircrafts; and be it further

5 **RESOLVED**, to encourage the Secretary of Homeland Security, the Honorable
6 Janet Napolitano to prohibit airplane passengers from bringing aboard a passenger
7 aircraft any item that was prohibited as of March 1, 2013; and be it further

8 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules
9 certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of
10 the same be thereafter transmitted to the Honorable John S. Pistole, Administrator,
11 Transportation Security Administration (TSA); the Honorable Janet Napolitano,
12 Secretary of Homeland Security, Ms. Veda Shook, International President of the
13 Association of Flight Attendants-CWA, AFL-CIO, Mr. Jon Adler, National President,
14 Federal Law Enforcement Officers Association; First Officer D. Michael Karn,
15 President, Coalition of Airline Pilots Associations; and Captain Jim Krauss, Chairman,
16 Federal Flight Deck Officers Association; to the Honorable Harry Reid, Majority
17 Leader, United States Senate; the Honorable John Boehner, Speaker, U.S. House of
18 Representatives; the Honorable Madeleine Z. Bordallo, Guam Delegate to the United
19 States Congress, House of Representatives; to the President, United States of America;
20 and to the Honorable Eddie Baza Calvo, I Maga'lahaen Guåhan.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF I
MINA'TRENTAI DOS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE ____ DAY OF
APRIL, 2013.**

JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D.
Speaker

RORY J. RESPICIO
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TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES
Legislative Secretary