

I Mina' Trentai Dos Na Liheslaturan Guåhan
Resolutions Log Sheet

Title	Date Intro	Date of Presentation	Date Referred	Committee / Ofc Referred	Date Adopted
RELATIVE TO COMMENDING, CONGRATULATING AND RECOGNIZING NENA RAITUITA FOR INVESTING OVER FOURTY TWO YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE, HARD WORK, ATTENTION TO DETAIL AND TEAM SPIRIT INTO GUAM'S TOURISM INDUSTRY.	8/30/2013 11:00 a.m.	09/07/13 6:30 p.m.		1/23/14 10:58 a.m.	09/05/13

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

Resolution No. 234-32 (COR)

As substituted and amended on the Floor.

Introduced by:

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**Relative to supporting Guam's application for membership
in the Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education
(WICHE).**

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

3 **WHEREAS**, the Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education
4 (WICHE) is a regional non-profit organization created by the Western Regional
5 Education Compact, adopted in the 1950s by western states to facilitate resource
6 sharing among the higher education systems of the west; and

1 **WHEREAS**, WICHE operations commenced in 1953, and is governed by
2 three Commissioners appointed by the governors from each state; and

3 **WHEREAS**, under the terms of the Compact, each state commits to support
4 WICHE's basic operations through annual dues established by the full
5 Commission; and

6 **WHEREAS**, WICHE and its member states work to improve access to
7 higher education and ensure student success through its various programs, regional
8 initiatives, and through research and policy work; and

9 **WHEREAS**, becoming a member of WICHE will greatly benefit Guam's
10 undergraduate students by allowing them access to the Western Undergraduate
11 Exchange (WUE) program, the largest regional tuition-reciprocity agreement in the
12 nation, which provides a reduced tuition, at no more than 150% of the resident
13 tuition rate, at more than 150 participating two and four year public institutions,
14 instead of paying substantially more for non-resident tuition, which is at least
15 double or more the resident tuition rate; and

16 **WHEREAS**, becoming a member of WICHE will provide the opportunity
17 for Guam's graduate students to enroll in approximately 250 participating graduate
18 programs and pay the resident tuition rate; and

19 **WHEREAS**, Guam students can additionally benefit from WICHE's
20 Professional Student Exchange Program (PSEP) and Internet Course Exchange
21 (ICE) program; and

22 **WHEREAS**, although Guam's institutions of higher learning have made
23 great strides and improvements over the last several years, Guam's geographic
24 location and smaller population limit access to higher education for our students;
25 and

1 **WHEREAS**, Guam can additionally benefit from WICHE’s various
2 resources in workforce and policy development, technology, health, and other
3 areas; and

4 **WHEREAS**, WICHE has already included Guam, the Commonwealth of
5 the Northern Mariana Islands, American Samoa, Palau, the Federated States of
6 Micronesia and the Marshall Islands as the collective sixteenth member of the
7 Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education, and it is now contingent on
8 Guam to decide to actively participate in WICHE; and

9 **WHEREAS**, *I Mina’Trentai Dos na Liheslaturan Guåhan* supports and
10 encourages Guam’s efforts to join the CNMI as the second territory to actively
11 participate in WICHE to offer programs that are not currently offered at the
12 University of Guam or the Guam Community College; now, therefore be it

13 **RESOLVED**, that with the concurrence and support of the University of
14 Guam Board of Regents and the Guam Community College Board of Trustees, a
15 resolution from UOG and GCC for Guam’s participation in WICHE *shall* be
16 transmitted to *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* for its consideration, within 30 days of
17 adoption; and be it further

18 **RESOLVED**, that *I Mina’Trentai Dos Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does
19 hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, support the government of Guam’s
20 efforts to become active members of the Western Interstate Commission for Higher
21 Education (WICHE), and further urges the government of Guam to work with
22 WICHE to cement Guam’s status as a WICHE member; and be it further

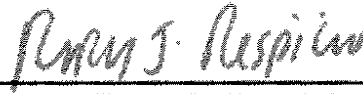
23 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest
24 to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Dr.
25 Robert Underwood, President of the University of Guam; to Dr. Mary Okada,

1 President of the Guam Community College; to Mr. Jon Fernandez, Superintendent
2 of the Guam Department of Education; to the Honorable Madeleine Z. Bordallo,
3 Guam Delegate to the 112th U.S. Congress; and to the Honorable Edward J.B.
4 Calvo, *I Maga'lahaen Guåhan*.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY *I MINA'TRENTAI DOS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* ON THE 1ST DAY OF FEBRUARY 2014.



JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D.
Speaker



Rory J. Respicio
Acting Legislative Secretary

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2014 (SECOND) Regular Session

Voting Sheet

Speaker Antonio R. Unipingco Legislative Session Hall
February 1, 2014

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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

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Yea

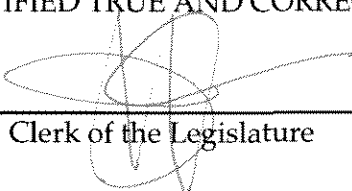
Nay

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CERTIFIED TRUE AND CORRECT:


 Clerk of the Legislature

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