

I Mina' Trentai Dos Na Liheslaturan Guåhan
Resolutions Log Sheet

Resolution No.	Sponsor	Title	Date Intro	Date of Presentation	Date Referred	Committee / Ofc Referred	Date Adopted
250-32 (COR)	Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr.	Relative to commending and congratulating the Bureau of Family Health and Nursing Services of the Department of Public Health and Social Services and the Guam Healthy Mothers Healthy Babies Coalition on the celebration of Healthy Mothers Healthy Babies Week on October 13 through October 19 with the theme "Healthy Roots for Life" and to extending an Un Dângkolo na Si Yu'os Ma'åse' for their commitment to 'improving the health and safety of mothers, babies and families" on Guam.	10/07/13 2:23 p.m.	10/19/13			10/17/13



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VOTING SHEET

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	SIGNATURE	DATE	TO ADOPT	TO NOT ADOPT	TO ABSTAIN
SENATOR RORY J. RESPICIO Chairperson		10/8/13	✓		
SENATOR THOMAS C. ADA Vice-Chairperson		10/8/13	✓		
SPEAKER JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D. Member		10/8/13	✓		
VICE-SPEAKER BENJAMIN J.F. CRUZ Member		10/8/13	✓		
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SENATOR DENNIS G. RODRIGUEZ, JR. Member	✓				
SENATOR FRANK BLAS AGUON, JR. Member		10/8/13	✓		
SENATOR MICHAEL F.Q. SAN NICOLAS Member		10/8/13	✓		
SENATOR V. ANTHONY ADA Minority Member		10/8/13	✓		
SENATOR ALINE YAMASHITA Minority Member		10/8/13	✓		

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Sponsor Signature: _____
Staff Contact Person: Amanda Shelton
Date: Oct. 16, 2013

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Date: 10/19/13
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I MINA'TRENTAI DOS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
2013 (FIRST) Regular Session

Resolution No. 250-32 (COR)

Introduced by:

Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr.
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Relative to commending and congratulating the Bureau of Family Health and Nursing Services of the Guam Department of Public Health and Social Services and the Guam Healthy Mothers Healthy Babies Coalition on the celebration of “Healthy Mothers Healthy Babies Week,” from October 13 through October 19, 2013, with the theme, “Healthy Roots for Life”; and to further extending *Un Dångkolo Na Si Yu’os Ma’åse’* for their commitment to improving the health and safety of mothers, babies and families on Guam.

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

1 **WHEREAS**, the mission of the Guam Healthy Mothers Healthy Babies
2 Coalition is “Improving the health and safety of mothers, babies and families through
3 education and collaborative partnerships of public and private organizations”; and

4 **WHEREAS**, the Guam Healthy Mothers Healthy Babies Coalition has
5 partnered with numerous government agencies and non-profit organizations, such as,
6 Project *Bisita I Familia*, Project *Kariñu*, the Guam Immunization Program, the Breast
7 and Cervical Cancer Program, the Guam Memorial Hospital Authority, military
8 partners, Island Girl Power, *Rigalu* Foundation, the University of Guam CEDDERS
9 Program, the Emergency Medical Services for Children, and the Guam Women,
10 Infants and Children (WIC) Program to promote its mission, and to educate the people
11 of Guam; and

12 **WHEREAS**, the Bureau of Family Health and Nursing Services of the Guam
13 Department of Public Health and Social Services works tirelessly with the support of
14 its Director, Mr. James Gillan and Deputy Director, Mr. Leo Casil to ensure that these
15 goals are accomplished; and

16 **WHEREAS**, the Bureau of Family Health and Nursing Services, which
17 consists of the Guam Family Planning Program, Project *Bisita I Familia* and Project
18 *Kariñu*, under the leadership and guidance of Dr. Suzanne S. Kaneshiro, Chief Public
19 Health Officer, and Ms. Margarita Gay, Bureau Administrator, created the “Healthy
20 Mothers Healthy Babies Week” Committee, consisting of Mrs. Evangeline
21 Manibusan, RN, NP; Ms. Diana Santos, BSW; and Ms. Margaret Bell, PC IV as Co-
22 Chairpersons, and works with the support of the Environmental Public Health
23 Association to ensure that the lives of Guam’s babies, mothers and families are
24 healthy, protected and improved; and

25 **WHEREAS**, the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices recommends
26 that adults and adolescents who have anticipated having close contact with an infant

1 aged less than 12 months should receive a single dose of Tdap to protect against
2 pertussis, if they have not previously received Tdap, in a process called “cocooning”;
3 and

4 **WHEREAS**, from June 2012 to June 2013, the Guam Department of Public
5 Health and Social Services’ Nurses and the Guam Immunization Program have
6 cocooned 491 individuals with a single dose of the Tdap vaccine. Furthermore, 633
7 children and 818 adults were vaccinated to protect against the influenza virus; and

8 **WHEREAS**, breast milk is a unique combination of nutrients essential to a
9 child’s health and cannot be duplicated by any laboratory formula. It provides a
10 number of health advantages beginning at birth and continuing throughout a child’s
11 life; and

12 **WHEREAS**, in 2012, the Guam WIC Program reported that there were 2,454
13 mothers who breastfed their infants up to six months of age; and

14 **WHEREAS**, families offer a stable and nurturing environment for children by
15 providing them with support and comfort. A child’s parents, siblings, grandparents,
16 aunts and uncles, and other family members, should show them love and teach them
17 right from wrong, as this provides them with the healthy roots for life; and

18 **WHEREAS**, families strengthen our communities by teaching important
19 values, such as compassion and honesty, to their children. Families also offer a
20 supportive environment and help ensure that children grow into responsible members
21 of society by providing guidance and unconditional love; and parents must help to
22 shape the good character of their children; and

23 **WHEREAS**, all children are born with inherent physical, emotional,
24 intellectual and spiritual needs, that when met, will foster optimal human
25 development. In 2012, there were 3,604 live births on Guam. Of these live births,

1 1,213 or 33.65% were to *Chamorro* women. In terms of prenatal care, 41.71% of
2 these women sought prenatal care in the first trimester; and

3 **WHEREAS**, children depend upon their parents and caregivers to keep them
4 safe and protect them from emotional and physical neglect, violence, sexual abuse and
5 other toxic conditions. Unfortunately, Guam’s child abuse and neglect statistics saw
6 an increase of 34.61% in reported cases from 2011 to 2012. As stated in the statistics
7 provided by the Child Protective Services of the Guam Department of Public Health
8 and Social Services, there were 3,294 reported cases of maltreatment in 2011, and in
9 2012, there were 4,434 cases reported; and

10 **WHEREAS**, parents can create a strong foundation for family life when they
11 consciously conceive, foster or adopt a child, and are committed to understanding and
12 meeting the child’s needs; and

13 **WHEREAS**, as we observe “Healthy Mothers Healthy Babies Week,” we must
14 work to strengthen families on Guam as individuals through government and
15 community-based organizations as this Week reminds us of the values, security and
16 love that we give and receive in our families; now therefore, be it

17 **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina’Trentai Dos Na*
18 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the people
19 of Guam, commend and congratulate the Bureau of Family Health and Nursing
20 Services of the Guam Department of Public Health and Social Services and the
21 Healthy Mothers Healthy Babies Coalition on the occasion of “Healthy Mothers
22 Healthy Babies Week”; and does further extend a warm *Un Dângkolo Na Si Yu’os*
23 *Ma’åse’* for their commitment to “improving the health and safety of mothers, babies
24 and families on Guam”; and be it further

1 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules
2 certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of
3 the same be thereafter transmitted to Dr. Suzanne S. Kaneshiro, Chief Public Health
4 Officer; to Ms. Margarita Gay, Bureau Administrator; to Mrs. Evangeline Manibusan,
5 RN, NP; to Ms. Diana Santos, BSW; to Ms. Margaret Bell, PC IV; to Committee Co-
6 Chairpersons; to Project *Bisita I Familia*; to Project *Kariñu*; to the Guam
7 Immunization Program; to the Breast and Cervical Cancer Program; to the Guam
8 Memorial Hospital Authority; to Island Girl Power; to the *Rigalu* Foundation; to the
9 University of Guam CEDDERS Program; to the Emergency Medical Services for
10 Children; to the Guam Women, Infants and Children (WIC) Program; and to the
11 Honorable Edward J.B. Calvo, *I Maga'lahen Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF
I MINA'TRENTAI DOS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE 17TH DAY OF
OCTOBER 2013.**



JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D.
Speaker



RORY J. RESPICIO
Chairperson, Committee on Rules



TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES
Legislative Secretary