

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
256-32 (COR)	Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr.	Relative to commending and congratulating all Respiratory Therapists on Guam on the celebration of Respiratory Care Week on October 20 through October 26, 2013, with the theme "Bringing Breath to Life," and to extending an Un Dångkolo na Si Yu'os Ma'åse' for their commitment to "raising awareness and educating the public on good lung health and the prevention and management of diseases associated with the cardiopulmonary system" on Guam.	10/16/13 9:36 a.m.	10/21/13 10 a.m.			10/21/13

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

Resolution No. 256-32 (COR)

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Relative to commending and congratulating the Respiratory Therapists on Guam on the celebration of “Respiratory Care Week,” from October 20 to October 26, 2013, with the theme: “Bringing Breath to Life”; and to further extending *Un Dângkolo Na Si Yu’os Ma’ãse’* for their commitment to “raising awareness and educating the public on good lung health and the prevention and management of diseases associated with the cardiopulmonary system” for the people of Guam.

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

1 **WHEREAS**, “Respiratory Care Week” is a national celebration sponsored by
2 the American Association for Respiratory Care to recognize Respiratory Therapists
3 for their significant role in providing respiratory care, and for their contributions to the
4 profession; and

5 **WHEREAS**, this annual celebration is dedicated to those professionals who
6 “live and breathe” respiratory care day-to-day; and the theme for this year’s
7 celebration of “Respiratory Care Week” is “Bringing Breath to Life”; and

8 **WHEREAS**, the goal of Respiratory Therapists during these annual
9 celebrations is to build relationships and bridge “worlds” with other colleagues within
10 the profession, the different health care professions, medical centers, home-care
11 agencies, pharmaceuticals, manufacturers, vendors, and the community; and

12 **WHEREAS**, one of the missions of Respiratory Therapists is to promote the
13 respiratory care profession by raising awareness and educating the public about who
14 they are and what they do to promote good lung health, and prevent and manage
15 diseases associated with the cardiopulmonary system; and

16 **WHEREAS**, Respiratory Therapists understand that the cycle of life begins and
17 ends with a breath. Therefore, they recognize the importance of their role as advocates
18 or “voices” for the newborn baby who takes his first breath, or the elderly patient who
19 takes his last breath; and

20 **WHEREAS**, Respiratory Therapists provide therapeutic treatments,
21 pharmacologic administration, and diagnostic services twenty-four hours a day, seven
22 days a week to patients having difficulty breathing due to a wide range of respiratory
23 diseases and other associated conditions, such as asthma, adult respiratory distress
24 syndrome, bronchitis, bronchiectasis, emphysema, cystic fibrosis, pulmonary fibrosis,
25 lung cancer, heart attack, stroke, drowning, shock, AIDS, and accident-related cases;
26 and

1 **WHEREAS**, Respiratory Therapists are one of the most critical members of the
2 health care team handling critically ill patients in the Emergency Room, the Neonatal,
3 Pediatric and Adult Intensive Care Units, the patient wards, and the air and ground
4 ambulance transports. Respiratory Therapists believe that respiratory care is a matter
5 of “life and breath”; and

6 **WHEREAS**, Respiratory Therapists have excellent critical-thinking and
7 problem-solving skills that augment their ability to exercise independent judgement
8 while working under pressure and providing optimum respiratory care. The
9 integration of scientific doctrine, knowledge of cardiopulmonary physiology,
10 pathophysiology, biomedical engineering and modern technology enables them to
11 treat and manage their patients accordingly; and

12 **WHEREAS**, Respiratory Therapists have to undergo extensive education and
13 training from a Respiratory Therapy Educational Program accredited by the
14 Commission of Accreditation for Respiratory Care (CoARC); and

15 **WHEREAS**, Respiratory Therapists who have taken and passed the National
16 Board for Respiratory Care examinations have earned the title and credentials of a
17 Registered Respiratory Therapist (RRT), or a Certified Respiratory Therapist (CRT);
18 and

19 **WHEREAS**, other National Board for Respiratory Care specialty credentials
20 include: Neonatal/Pediatric Specialist; Adult Critical Care Specialist; Sleep Disorder
21 Specialist; Pulmonary Function Technologist; and Certified Asthma Educator; and

22 **WHEREAS**, Respiratory Therapists are members of professional
23 organizations, such as the American Association for Respiratory Care (AARC); the
24 National Board for Respiratory Care; the National Lung Health Education Program
25 (NLHEP); and the American Respiratory Care Foundation (NRCF); and

1 **WHEREAS**, Respiratory Therapists who want to practice on Guam must be
2 licensed by the Guam Board of Allied Health Examiners; and they must earn
3 continuing education credits within the renewal period biannually; and

4 **WHEREAS**, the Guam Memorial Hospital Respiratory Therapists include:
5 Evelyn Andres, RRT-NPS; Chad Ascura, CRT; Erwin Aquino, CRT; Ronnie Basilio,
6 RRT-NPS; Ronald Beaver, RRT; Gregory Cruz, RRT-NPS; Manny Cruz, CRT;
7 Angela Gaminde, RRT-NPS; Evelyn Kedher, RRT-NPS; Cleopatra Manzon, RRT-
8 NPS; Yvonne Marante, RRT-NPS, AE-C; Bella Martinez, CRT-NPS; Faye Marie
9 Martinez, CRT; Robin Olmo, RRT-NPS; Orville O’Neil, RRT; Linda P. Perez, RRT-
10 NPS; Allie Brinn Peryea, RRT; Percival Piana, RRT-NPS; Judy Roa, RRT; Wilson
11 Garces, RRT; and Robert Sales, RRT-NPS; and

12 **WHEREAS**, the Respiratory Therapists of the United States Naval Hospital,
13 Guam include Lisa Grenier, RRT; Erwin Tingson, RRT; and Yvonne Marante, RRT-
14 NPS, AE-C; now therefore, be it

15 **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina’ Trentai Dos Na*
16 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the people
17 of Guam, commend and congratulate the Respiratory Therapists of the Guam
18 Memorial Hospital Authority and the United States Naval Hospital, Guam on the
19 celebration of “Respiratory Care Week,” from October 20 to October 26, 2013, with
20 the theme: “Bringing Breath to Life”; and does further extend *Un Dângkolo Na Si*
21 *Yu’os Ma’åse’* for their commitment to “raising awareness and educating the public
22 on good lung health and the prevention and management of diseases associated with
23 the cardiopulmonary system” for the people of Guam; and be it further

24 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules
25 certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of
26 the same be thereafter transmitted to Ms. Linda Perez, RRT-NPS, member, Guam

- 1 Board of Allied Health Examiners; to the Respiratory Therapists of the Guam
- 2 Memorial Hospital Authority and the United States Naval Hospital, Guam; and to the
- 3 Honorable Edward J.B. Calvo, *I Maga'lahaen Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF
I MINA TRENTAI DOS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE 21ST DAY OF
OCTOBER 2013.**



JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D.
Speaker



RORY J. RESPICIO
Chairperson, Committee on Rules



TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES
Legislative Secretary



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	SIGNATURE	DATE	TO ADOPT	TO NOT ADOPT	TO ABSTAIN
SENATOR RORY J. RESPICIO Chairperson		10/21/13	✓		
SENATOR THOMAS C. ADA Vice-Chairperson		10/21/13	✓		
SPEAKER JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D. Member					2013 OCT 22 AM 10:26
VICE-SPEAKER BENJAMIN J.F. CRUZ Member		10/21/13	✓		
LEGISLATIVE SECRETARY TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES Member		10/21/13	✓		
SENATOR VICENTE (Ben) C. PANGELINAN Member					
SENATOR DENNIS G. RODRIGUEZ, JR. Member		10/21/13	✓		
SENATOR FRANK BLAS AGUON, JR. Member		10/21/13	✓		
SENATOR MICHAEL F.Q. SAN NICOLAS Member					
SENATOR V. ANTHONY ADA Minority Member		10/21/13	✓		
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Date: 10/22/13

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Name: _____ *DR*

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