

*I Mina' Trentai Dos Na Liheslaturan Guåhan*  
**Resolutions Log Sheet**

<b>Resolution No.</b>	<b>Sponsor</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Date Intro</b>	<b>Date of Presentation</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>	<b>Committee / Ofc Referred</b>	<b>Date Adopted</b>
<b>277-32 (COR)</b>	T.R. Muña Barnes B.J.F. Cruz ☒	RELATIVE TO COMMENDING AND RECOGNIZING WESTCARE PACIFIC ISLANDS ORGANIZATION, THE GUAM HIV/AIDS NETWORK (GUAHAN) PROJECT, AND THE GUAM ALTERNATIVE LIFESTYLE ASSOCIATION (GALA) ON THE OCCASION OF THE ANNUAL EXHIBIT AND CANDLELIGHT VIGIL CEREMONY IN HONOR OF WORLD AIDS DAY ON DECEMBER 1, 2013.	11/25/2013	12/01/13 6 p.m.			<b>11/27/2013</b>

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

**Resolution No. 277-32 (COR)**

Introduced by:

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**Relative to commending and recognizing the WestCare Pacific Islands organization, the Guam HIV/AIDS Network (GUÅHAN) Project, and the Guam Alternative Lifestyle Association (GALA) on the occasion of the Annual Exhibit and Candlelight Vigil Ceremony in honor of World AIDS Day on December 1, 2013.**

1           **BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF I**  
2 **MINA'TRENTAI DOS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN:**  
3           **WHEREAS,** World AIDS Day is observed on the 1st of December every year,  
4 and it is an opportunity for people worldwide to unite in the fight against HIV, to

1 show their support for people living with HIV, and to commemorate those people who  
2 have died from the disease; and

3 **WHEREAS**, World AIDS Day is celebrating its 25th year of Global Health  
4 Day, which began in 1988; and

5 **WHEREAS**, the Guam HIV/AIDS Network (GUÅHAN), founded by Alexis  
6 Silverio, Terry Aguon, and Tim de la Cruz, is the island’s AIDS Service Organization,  
7 and is a project of the WestCare Pacific Islands (WCPI) organization; and

8 **WHEREAS**, the global theme of this year’s World AIDS Day ceremony is:  
9 “Shared Responsibility; Strengthening Results for an AIDS-Free Generation,” while it  
10 continues to strive towards its goal of “Getting to Zero: Zero AIDS-Related Deaths;  
11 Zero Discrimination; Zero New Infections.” 2013 marks thirty-two (32) years since  
12 the first case of HIV/AIDS was confirmed; and

13 **WHEREAS**, there have been approximately two hundred forty-four (244) HIV  
14 cases diagnosed on Guam since 1985; and sixty-four (64) people are currently living  
15 with HIV on Guam. Globally, an estimated 33.3 million people have HIV. Nationally,  
16 young people between the age of thirteen (13) to twenty-nine (29) years old account  
17 for 40% of all new HIV cases; and on Guam accounts for 32%, which makes  
18 educating our island’s youth about HIV/AIDS a priority; and

19 **WHEREAS**, many scientific advances have been made in HIV treatment, and  
20 there are now laws to protect people living with HIV. Despite this, however, many  
21 people still do not know the facts about how to protect themselves and others from  
22 HIV, and stigma and discrimination remain a reality for many people living with HIV;  
23 and

24 **WHEREAS**, World AIDS Day is an important occasion, as it reminds the  
25 public and the government that HIV has not gone away; and that there is still a vital  
26 need to raise money for services to increase awareness, to fight prejudice, and to

1 improve HIV/AIDS education; and

2       **WHEREAS**, as part of Guam's and the international community's efforts to  
3 observe December 1 as World AIDS Day, the Guam HIV/AIDS Network  
4 (GUÅHAN), a project of WestCare, with the help of Guam's Alternative Lifestyle  
5 Association (GALA), will be holding a Candlelight Vigil Ceremony at 5:30 p.m. at  
6 the WestCare Office in Tamuning; and

7       **WHEREAS**, the WestCare Pacific Islands (WCPI) organization is part of the  
8 WestCare nationwide family of tax-exempt organizations that provide a wide  
9 spectrum of health and human services in both residential and outpatient environments  
10 to more than thirty thousand (30,000) youth, adults and families annually; and

11       **WHEREAS**, the WCPI organization also provides services, such as substance  
12 abuse and addiction treatment, homeless and runaway shelters, domestic violence  
13 treatment and prevention, and mental health programs; and

14       **WHEREAS**, WestCare also provides prevention education and supportive  
15 group counseling for girls ages twelve (12) to seventeen (17) years old, through a  
16 program called Project Isa-ta; and


17       **WHEREAS**, Project Isa-ta aims to reduce the risk of contracting HIV/AIDS  
18 and sexually-transmitted diseases (STDs) among our young girls, as well as to  
19 increase their self-esteem and positive body image, and to educate them on abuse and  
20 violence; now therefore, be it

21       **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules of I Mina'Trentai Dos Na  
22 Liheslaturan Guåhan does hereby, on behalf of I Liheslaturan Guåhan and the people  
23 of Guam, commend and recognize the WestCare Pacific Islands (WCPI) organization;  
24 Alex Silverio, Terry Aguon, and Tim de la Cruz of the Guam HIV/AIDS Network  
25 (GUÅHAN) Project; the Guam Alternative Lifestyle Association (GALA); and the  
26 Department of Public Health and Social Services (DPHSS) on the occasion of the

1 Annual Candlelight Vigil Ceremony in honor of World AIDS Day on December 1,  
2 2013, at the WestCare Office in Tamuning; and be it further

3 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules  
4 certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of  
5 the same be thereafter transmitted to Sarah Thomas-Nededog, Regional Vice  
6 President of the WestCare Pacific Islands organization (WCPI); to Alex Silverio,  
7 Principal Founder of the Guam HIV/AIDS Network (GUÅHAN) Project; to Terry  
8 Aguon, Co-Founder of the Guam HIV/AIDS Network (GUÅHAN) Project; to Tim de  
9 la Cruz, Executive Director of Guam's Alternative Lifestyle Association (GALA), and  
10 Co-Founder of the Guam HIV/AIDS Network (GUÅHAN) Project; to James Gillan,  
11 Director of Department of Public Health and Social Services; and to the Honorable  
12 Edward J.B. Calvo, I Maga'lahren Guåhan.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES  
OF I MINA'TRENTAI DOS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE 27<sup>TH</sup>  
DAY OF NOVEMBER 2013.**



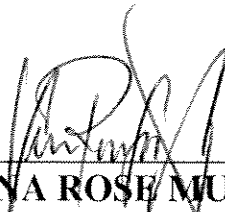
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**JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D.**  
Speaker



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**RORY J. RESPICIO**  
Chairperson, Committee on Rules



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**TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES**  
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	SIGNATURE	DATE	TO ADOPT	TO NOT ADOPT	TO ABSTAIN
SENATOR RORY J. RESPICIO Chairperson	<i>RJ</i>	<i>11/27/13</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
SENATOR THOMAS C. ADA Vice-Chairperson	<i>TA</i>	<i>11/27/13</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
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VICE-SPEAKER BENJAMIN J.F. CRUZ Member	<i>BC</i>	<i>11/27/13</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
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SENATOR DENNIS G. RODRIGUEZ, JR. Member	<i>DR</i>	<i>11/27/13</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
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Date: 11/27/13

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