

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
339-32 (COR)	Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr.	Relative to recognizing and congratulating Guam Positive Parents Together, Inc. as the National Association of Social Workers- Guam Chapter's 2014 Exemplary Service Provider Awardee and to further extending an Un Dångkolo na Si Yu'os Ma'åse' for their service to our island's families and all the people of Guam.	3/18/2014 3:52 p.m.	3/21/14 6:00 p.m.			03/21/14

Resolution No. 339-32 (COR)

Introduced by Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr.
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BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF I MINA'TRENTAI DOS NA LIHESLATURAN GUAHAN:

WHEREAS, in February 2007, members of four parent-led disability support groups came together to form a coalition that would provide a stronger voice for all the families affected by disabilities on Guam; and

WHEREAS, representatives from the Down Syndrome Association of Guam, the Autism Community Together, the Guam Early Hearing Detection and Intervention (EHDI) Parent-to-Parent support group, and the Guam Identifies Families' Terrific Strengths established the Guam Positive Parents Together, Incorporated, (GPPT) in record time; and

WHEREAS, the founding members, Ann Marie Cruz, Mary Therese Edgerle, Helen Micklebrook, and Evelyn S.A. Charos, had the vision to create GPPT to provide support and guidance to families of children affected by developmental, physical and emotional disabilities; and

WHEREAS, GPPT's mission is to educate and train parents so that they can be the very best advocates for their children in all areas of life; and

WHEREAS, GPPT is now focusing on disability-specific projects. The first project, the Parent Training and Information Center (PTI), began in October 2010. Through the PTI, parents on Guam are learning how to advocate for their children in an educational setting; and the PTI offers at least four trainings during the school year; and

WHEREAS, finding appropriate educational opportunities for children with disabilities is a goal of the GPPT; and the GPPT provides support for individualized educational plans for children, and training parents in being advocates for their children; and

WHEREAS, the founding members diligently worked on a plan to secure grant funding, subsequently creating GPPT's first project in the Parent Information and Resource Center (Guam PIRC); and

WHEREAS, the PIRC was successful, and it provided the needed services of training, advocacy and support to parents; and

WHEREAS, unfortunately, the PIRC was closed in 2011 due to the discontinued funding from the U.S. Department of Education; and

WHEREAS, with a small grant funding, the services of the GPPT continued, focusing on training parents of children receiving special education services within the Guam Department of Education (Guam DOE), specifically for the Individualized Education Plan (IEP); and

WHEREAS, the GPPT uses Guam Public Law 31-158 (education and training facilities and opportunities for individuals with disabilities), the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), and the Guam Education Board policy on special education as a guide for rendering services to families; and

WHEREAS, these policies and laws include, but are not limited to, collaborating with the Guam DOE in providing for the needs of low-income parents and parents of limited English proficient children; assisting parents in the development of skills in order to participate effectively in the education and development of their children; and supporting parents with limited support systems or accessibility to services primarily due to cultural or linguistic barriers; and

WHEREAS, GPPT's focus for Fiscal Year 2013-2014 is to provide advocacy, training and support to underserved parents in the remote areas of Guam, where these parents often come from low socio-economic and below poverty income levels, and living in substandard homes; and

WHEREAS, this training will incorporate continued collaboration and network partnerships with the Guam DOE, and public and private not-for-profit organizations, in order to help meet the needs of parents of children with special education, early intervention services, transition services, and other related needs and services, while bridging the gap in special education service related issues; and

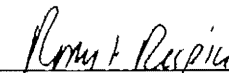
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DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF I MINA'TRENTAI DOS NA LIHESLATURAN GUAHAN ON THE 21ST DAY OF MARCH 2014.


JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D.
Speaker


RORY J. RESPICIO
Chairperson, Committee on Rules


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3/01/14


I MINA'TRENTAI DOS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
2014 (SECOND) Regular Session

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**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF
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SENATOR THOMAS C. ADA Vice-Chairperson					
SPEAKER JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D. Member	<i>evote</i>	<i>3/21/14</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
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SENATOR FRANK BLAS AGUON, JR. Member	<i>evote</i>	<i>3/21/14</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
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SENATOR V. ANTHONY ADA Minority Member					
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Sponsor Signature: *OR*

Staff Contact Person: *Joe Mesngm*

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PLEASE VOTE TODAY, Presentation TONIGHT for Res. No. 339-32 (COR)

Joseph Anthony Mesngon <jmesngon.senatorrodriguez@gmail.com> Fri, Mar 21, 2014 at 12:22 PM
 To: Speaker Judi Won Pat <speaker@judiwonpat.com>, Senator Tina Rose Muna Bames <senator@tinamunabames.com>, Senator Benjamin JF Cruz <senator@senatorbjcruz.com>, "Senator Rory J. Respicio" <roryforguam@gmail.com>, Senator Vicente ben Pangelinan <senbenp@guam.net>, Senator Tom Ada <office@senatorada.org>, "Senator Aline Yamashita, PhD" <aline4families@gmail.com>, Senator V Anthony Ada <senatortonyada@guamlegislature.org>, "Frank Aguon, Jr." <aguon4guam@gmail.com>, Senator Michael San Nicolas <senatorsannicolas@gmail.com>

Hafa Adai, COR Members:


Attached, please find the final version of **Resolution No. 339-32 (COR) – Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr. – “Relative to recognizing and congratulating Guam Positive Parents Together, Incorporated, on being the “2014 Exemplary Service Provider” Awardee of the National Association of Social Workers, Guam Chapter; and to further extending *Un Dângkolo Na Si Yu’os Ma’åse’* for its service to our island’s families and the people of Guam”** which your action is respectfully requested.

Please indicate your preferred action, based on the following options:

- To Adopt;
- To Not Adopt;
- To Abstain; or
- To Place in Inactive File.

Please submit your response ASAP, Presentation is tonight! Your responses will be logged into the COR Vote Sheet for **Resolution No. 339-32 (COR)**, which will be filed with the Committee on Rules, via the Office of the Clerk of the Legislature

THANK YOU!

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Aline Yamashita <aline4families@gmail.com>
To: Joseph Anthony Mesngon <jmesngon.senatorrodriguez@gmail.com>

Fri, Mar 21, 2014 at 12:27 PM

To adopt

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Frank Aguon, Jr. <aguon4guam@gmail.com>
To: Joseph Anthony Mesngon <jmesngon.senatorrodriguez@gmail.com>

Fri, Mar 21, 2014 at 1:02 PM

To adopt.

Thank you.

Respectfully,

SENATOR FRANK B. AGUON, JR.

Chairman, Committee on Guam-US Military Relocation, Homeland Security, Veterans Affairs, and Judiciary
Mina Trentai Dos Na Liheslaturan Guahan (Thirty-Second Guam Legislature)

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BJ Cruz <senator@senatorbjcruz.com>
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Senator ben c. pangelinan <senbenp@guam.net>

Fri, Mar 21, 2014 at 1:57 PM

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Senator Vicente (ben) Cabrera Pangelinan

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Tina Muna Barnes <Senator@tinamunabarnes.com>

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Subject: PLEASE VOTE TODAY, Presentation TONIGHT for Res. No. 339-32 (COR)

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2 ***MINA TRENTAI DOS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN:***

3 **WHEREAS**, in February of 2007, members of four parent-led disability
4 support groups came together to form a coalition that would provide a stronger voice
5 for all families affected by disabilities on Guam; and

6 **WHEREAS**, representatives from the Down Syndrome Association of Guam,
7 the Autism Community Together, the Guam Early Hearing Detection and Intervention

1 (Guam EHDI) Parent-to-Parent support group, and the Guam Identifies Families'
2 Terrific Strengths established the Guam Positive Parents Together, Incorporated,
3 (GPPT) in record time; and

4 **WHEREAS**, the founding members, Ann Marie Cruz, Mary Therese Edgerle,
5 Helen Middlebrook, and Evelyn S.A. Claros, had the vision to create GPPT to provide
6 support and guidance to families of children affected by developmental, physical and
7 emotional disabilities; and

8 **WHEREAS**, GPPT's mission is to educate and train parents so that they can be
9 the very best advocates for their children in all areas of life; and

10 **WHEREAS**, GPPT is now focusing on disability specific projects. The first
11 project, the Parent Training and Information Center (PTI), began in October 2010.
12 Through the PTI, parents on Guam are learning how to advocate for their children in
13 an educational setting. The PTI offers at least four trainings during the school year;
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15 **WHEREAS**, finding appropriate educational opportunities for children with
16 disabilities is a goal of the GPPT; and the GPPT provides support for Individualized
17 Educational Plans for children, training parents in being advocates for their children;
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19 **WHEREAS**, the founding members diligently worked on a plan to secure grant
20 funding, subsequently creating GPPT's first project in the Parent Information and
21 Resource Center (Guam PIRC); and

22 **WHEREAS**, the PIRC was successful and it provided the needed services of
23 training, advocacy and support to parents; and

24 **WHEREAS**, unfortunately, the PIRC was closed in 2011 due to the
25 discontinued funding from the U.S. Department of Education; and

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2 focusing on training parents of children receiving Special Education Services with the
3 Guam Department of Education (Guam DOE), specifically for the Individualized
4 Education Plan (IEP); and

5 **WHEREAS**, the GPPT uses Guam Public Law 31-158, the Individuals with
6 Disabilities Act, and the General Education Board Policy on Special Education as a
7 guide for rendering services to families; and

8 **WHEREAS**, these policies and laws include, but are not limited to,
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13 accessibility to services primarily due to cultural or linguistic barriers; and

14 **WHEREAS**, GPPT's focus for Fiscal Year 2013-2014 is to provide advocacy,
15 training and support to underserved parents in the remote areas of Guam, where these
16 parents often come from low socio-economic and below poverty income levels, and
17 living in substandard homes; and

18 **WHEREAS**, this training will incorporate continued collaboration and network
19 partnerships with the Guam DOE, and public and private not-for-profit organizations,
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21 intervention services, transition services, and other related needs and services, while
22 bridging the gap in special education service related issues; and

23 **WHEREAS**, GPPT believes that children will benefit when their parents are
24 involved not only in their education, but in all aspects of their lives; now therefore, be
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1 **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina'Trentai Dos Na*
2 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the people
3 of Guam, recognize and congratulate Guam Positive Parents Together, Incorporated,
4 on being the "2014 Exemplary Service Provider" Awardee of the National
5 Association of Social Workers, Guam Chapter; and does further extend *Un Dångkolo*
6 *Na Si Yu'os Ma'åse'* for its service to our island's parents, children and families with
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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 Ms. Ann Marie Cruz, Ms. Mary Therese Edgerle,
11 Ms. Helen Middlebrook, and Mrs. Evelyn S.A. Claros of Guam Positive Parents
12 Together, Incorporated; and to the Honorable Edward J.B. Calvo, *I Maga'lahren*
13 *Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF
I MINA'TRENTAI DOS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE _ DAY OF
MARCH 2014.**

JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D.
Speaker

BENJAMIN J.F. CRUZ
Acting Chairperson, Committee on Rules

TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES
Legislative Secretary

I MINA'TRENTAI DOS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN
2014 (SECOND) Regular Session

Resolution No. 339-32 (COR)

Introduced by: Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr.
R. J. Respicio
T. C. Ada
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FRANK B. AGUON, JR.
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15 Together, Incorporated; and to the Honorable Edward J.B. Calvo, *I Maga'lahren*
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**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF
I MINA'TRENTAI DOS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE 14TH DAY OF
FEBRUARY 2014.**

JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D.
Speaker

BENJAMIN J.F. CRUZ
Acting Chairperson, Committee on Rules

TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES
Legislative Secretary

I MINA'TRENTAI DOS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
2014 Second Regular Session

Resolution No. 339-32 (COR)

Introduced by:

Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr. *DR*

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Relative to recognizing and congratulating Guam Positive Parents Together, Inc. as the National Association of Social Workers- Guam Chapter's 2014 Exemplary Service Provider Awardee and to further extending an *Un Dångkolo na Si Yu'os Ma'åse'* for their service to our island's families and all the people of Guam.

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25 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on
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- 1 Together, Incorporated's Ms. Ann Marie Cruz, Ms. Mary Therese Edgerle, Ms.
- 2 Helen Middle Brook and Mrs. Evelyn S.A. Claros; and to the Honorable Edward
- 3 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 _____
DAY OF _____, 2014.**

**Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D.
Speaker**

**Rory J. Respicio
Chairman, Committee on Rules**

**Tina Rose Muna Barnes
Legislative Secretary**