

I Mina' Trentai Dos Na Liheslaturan Guåhan
Resolutions Log Sheet

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374-32 (LS)	Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr.	Relative to recognizing and congratulating the School Nurses of the Guam Department of Education on the observance of May 7, 2014 as “National School Nurse Day” with the theme “Caring for Others: Caring for Ourselves” and to further extending an Un Dângkolo na Si Yu’os Ma’åse’ for your commitment to excellence in healthcare services of our island’s school communities.	5/1/14 6:14 p.m.	5/6/14 8 a.m.			05/01/14

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Resolution No. 374-32 (LS)

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Relative to recognizing and congratulating the School Nurses of the Guam Department of Education (GDOE) on the observance of “National School Nurse Day” on May 7, 2014, with the theme, “*Caring for Others: Caring for Ourselves*”; and to further extending *Un Dangkolo Na Si Yu’os Ma’åse’* to the GDOE School Nurses for their commitment to excellence in providing healthcare services to our island’s school communities.

1 **BE IT RESOLVED BY *I MINA'TRENTAI DOS NA LIHESLATURAN***
2 ***GUÅHAN*:**
3 **WHEREAS,** the National Association of School Nurses observes “National
4 School Nurse Day” throughout the nation on Wednesday, May 7, 2014; and the
5 “National School Nurse Day” theme, “*Caring for Others: Caring for Ourselves,*” is

1 meant to capture each school nurse’s significant role in improving students’ health and
2 academic outcomes, as they lead the way in ensuring a healthier and more sustainable
3 future for our island’s children; and

4 **WHEREAS**, Guam is blessed to have forty-six (46) school nurses who make a
5 difference in the lives of more than thirty-one thousand (31,000) students every day;
6 and

7 **WHEREAS**, the Guam Department of Education (GDOE) celebrates all our
8 school nurses for being positive influences in the health and well-being of students
9 throughout the island through the many roles they fulfill as they care for students and
10 communities, serving critical roles in promoting students’ academic success for more
11 than 110 years; and

12 **WHEREAS**, School Nurses are in a unique position to promote prevention and
13 wellness, providing access to health care for our students to stay healthy, safe and
14 ready to learn; and

15 **WHEREAS**, research has shown that early access to care and prevention
16 strategies are vital, which is why school nurses promote healthy lifestyles and disease
17 prevention for students during their early and most vulnerable years - and lasting
18 through high school; and

19 **WHEREAS**, working with school-aged children on the island, school nurses
20 are the daily eyes and ears of health care providers and public health agencies, and
21 they provide a critical service to our community by addressing the health risks our
22 children face, and by assisting parents to navigate a very complex health system; and

23 **WHEREAS**, the Guam Department of Education is proud to acknowledge the
24 increasing recognition given to school nursing as a pivotal access point for students’
25 health; and

26 **WHEREAS**, a top priority for Guam and our nation should be ensuring that our
27 children have a healthy and successful future, providing them with the tools to become

1 productive citizens in society, all the while transforming communities by making this
2 vision a daily reality; and

3 **WHEREAS**, the GDOE School Nurses have engaged in trainings and
4 workshops to enhance their professions, working with numerous agencies and
5 organizations to build healthy relationships, which include: the Department of Public
6 Health and Social Services Immunization Updates and Outreach Clinics; the Guam
7 Memorial Hospital Authority CPR and First Aid Certification for twenty-one School
8 Nurses; the United States Naval Hospital in Disaster Trainings; the Guam Emergency
9 Medical Services in Disaster Drills; the Government of Guam Worksite Wellness
10 Program in scheduling health fairs at the various schools for employees and parents;
11 the Guam Behavioral Health and Wellness Center in the training on Suicide
12 Prevention; the Red Ribbon Week Campaigns; the Brief Tobacco Intervention
13 Trainings and Cessations; the Micronesian Brokers, Inc., with their Bright Smiles,
14 Bright Futures program; and the University of Guam School of Nursing in providing
15 facility access to enhance nursing skills in pediatric health; and

16 **WHEREAS**, over thirty-one thousand students on Guam are provided with
17 excellent health care in the public school system by the caring school nurses that serve
18 them, and these school nurses are recognized as our health care heroes, and include:
19 Julietta Quinene, R.N., MBA-HCA, HBCUR - Community Health and Nursing
20 Services Administrator; Loreto Dizon; Eden Lou Laserna; Edith Jamero; Jesusa Epres;
21 Corman Smau; David Hendricks; Debbie Dela Cruz, SHC; Annabel Santos, LPN;
22 Sherry Ann Dolor, SHC; Leonora Elizaga, LPN; Helen Santos; Alicia Lim; Mary
23 Marston-Escamilla; Jocelyn Cruz; Jui-Ying Chen; Josefa Lizama Artero; Teresa
24 Untalan; Lily Mae Concepcion; Kimberly Dawn Edusma; Ariel Mae Sumbo; Ronnie
25 Gallo; Leah Landstrom; Glory Ann Cefre; Janice Yatar; Patricia J.S. Quenga; Marites
26 Lansang; Rita Taitano; Alma Rabena; Betty Diaz; Elena Lim; Eileen Jaleco; Bernabe
27 Mutuc; Erlinda P. Catague; Jocelyn Grace Sabinay; Stella Ji; Shirley Cruz; Thora

1 Mark; Victoria Ballares; Kenneth Perez; Diane Centeno; Joycelyn Sosa; Lucy Iona;
2 Lani Chang; Marie Yanga; and Melinda Treltas; and

3 **WHEREAS**, the School Nurses of the Guam Department of Education should
4 be given the honor and respect they deserve for serving the students of Guam as the
5 first line of defense for health care and advocacy in their lives; now therefore, be it

6 **RESOLVED**, that *I Mina'Trentai Dos Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby,
7 on behalf of the people of Guam, recognize and congratulate the School Nurses of the
8 Guam Department of Education on the observance of "National School Nurse Day"
9 on May 7, 2014, with the theme, "*Caring for Others: Caring for Ourselves*"; and
10 does further extend *Un Dångkolo Na Si Yu'os Ma'åse'* to the GDOE School Nurses
11 for their commitment to excellence in providing healthcare services to our island's
12 school communities; and be it further

13 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to,
14 the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Mr. Jon
15 Fernandez, Superintendent of the Guam Department of Education; to Mrs. Julietta
16 Quinene, Administrator of the Community Health and Nursing Services Division of
17 the Guam Department of Education; and to the Honorable Edward J.B. Calvo, *I*
18 *Maga'lahaen Guåhan*.

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



Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D.
Speaker



Tina Rose Muña Barnes
Legislative Secretary