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

Resolution No. 415-32 (LS)

Introduced by:

V. Anthony Ada
R. J. Respicio
T. C. Ada
FRANK B. AGUON, JR.
B. J.F. Cruz
Chris M. Dueñas
Michael T. Limtiaco
Brant T. McCreadie
Tommy Morrison
T. R. Muña Barnes
Vicente (ben) C. Pangelinan
Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr.
Michael F. Q. San Nicolas
Aline A. Yamashita, Ph.D.
Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D.

Relative to congratulating the Sons and Daughters of Guam Club, Inc., of San Diego, California, on its 61st Liberation Day Ball in celebration of Guam's 70th Anniversary of its Liberation; and to further commending its members for their many years of promoting and preserving *Chamorro* culture and heritage.

BE IT RESOLVED BY I MINA'TRENTAL DOS NA LIHESLATURAN

2 GUÅHAN:

1

- WHEREAS, spurred by the vision and initiative of Mr. Jose Flores and Mr.
- 4 Guillermo Taitano, a group of Chamorros living in the San Diego, California, area
- 5 gathered in early 1953, with the intent to establish a Guam club to provide support for
- 6 the area's Chamorro families to acclimate to and succeed in the United States, and to
- 7 provide a setting for Chamorros to continue their traditional cultural practices; and

WHEREAS, on May 1, 1953, the first general meeting and election of officers

2 of the Sons and Daughters of Guam Club, Inc., was held; and

WHEREAS, true to its purpose, on July 18, 1953, the Sons and Daughters of Guam Club, Inc., of San Diego, California, celebrated its first Guam Liberation Day with a banquet, and the crowning of its first Liberation Day Queen, Nora Herrero Peterson; and

WHEREAS, the initial success of the Sons and Daughters of Guam Club, Inc., of San Diego, California, gave impetus for the creation of similar organizations across the U.S., and has been built upon to the benefit of *Chamorros* everywhere; and

WHEREAS, the Sons and Daughters of Guam Club, Inc., of San Diego, California, since its creation in 1953, has provided opportunities for countless *Chamorros* living abroad to gather in the celebration of Guam's fiestas; and to attend charitable fundraisers, senior luncheons, *Chamorro* language lessons, and cultural events; and

WHEREAS, for over sixty (60) years, the Sons and Daughters of Guam Club, Inc., of San Diego, California, has stayed true to the vision of its founding members; has dedicated itself to the preservation of *Chamorro* culture and heritage; and has provided a home away from home for *Chamorros* living in Southern California, and for visiting *Chamorros*; and

WHEREAS, on July 12, 2014, the Sons and Daughters of Guam Club, Inc., of San Diego, California, will hold its 61st Liberation Day Coronation Ball, and will crown its 2014 Liberation Day Queen, Ms. Ferlisa Matagolai Quitugua; now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that *I Mina'Trentai Dos Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, congratulate the members of the Sons and Daughters of Guam Club, Inc., of San Diego, California, on the occasion of its 61st Liberation

- 1 Day Coronation Ball; and does further commend its members for their many years of
- 2 promoting and preserving *Chamorro* culture and heritage; and be it further
- RESOLVED, that the Speaker certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to,
- 4 the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to the Sons
- 5 and Daughters of Guam Club, Inc., of San Diego, California; to Ms. Ferlisa Matagolai
- 6 Quitugua; and to the Honorable Edward J.B. Calvo, I Maga'lahen Guåhan.

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

JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D.

Speaker

TINAROSE MUÑA BARNES

Legislative Secretary