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	Tina Rose Muña Barnes	management and staff of Sirena-T Specialty	4:41 p.m.				
		School, the Guam Regional Medical City, and					
		Hotel Nikko Guam on the launch of Sirena-T's					
		Summer Day Camp Pilot Program; and to further					
		extending to these organizations a sincere Un					
		Dångkulo na si Yu'os ma'åse' for their					
		commitment to supporting Guam's families of					
		children with special needs.					

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

Resolution No. 422-32 (LS)

Introduced by:

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Relative to commending and congratulating the management and staff of Sirena-T Guam, the Guam Regional Medical City, and Hotel Nikko Guam on the launch of *Sirena-T Guam's Summer Day Camp Pilot Program*; and to further extending a sincere *Un Dångkolo Na Si Yu'os Ma'åse'* to these organizations for their commitment to supporting Guam's families of children with special needs.

BE IT RESOLVED BY I MINA' TRENTAI DOS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN:

3 WHEREAS, through the leadership and vision of Dr. Sam Mabini, and with 4 the support of community partners, including the Guam Regional Medical City and 5 Hotel Nikko Guam, *Sirena-T Guam's Summer Day Camp Pilot Program* was launched in June 2014 with the focus on providing Guam's children, particularly those
 with special needs, with access to fun, safe, and appropriate activities during the
 summer months; and

4 WHEREAS, *Sirena-T Guam's Summer Day Camp Pilot Program* is the first 5 program of its kind to be offered on Guam and the region, and aims to provide 6 innovative and holistic activities for children of all skill levels to help, heal, and have 7 fun through various activities, including expressive art, aquatic exercise, and outdoor 8 education; and

9 WHEREAS, Sirena-T Guam's Summer Day Camp Pilot Program is unique
10 because every program provided to families is designed specifically around the needs,
11 abilities, and interests of children with physical or cognitive disabilities; and

12 WHEREAS, *Sirena-T Guam's Summer Day Camp Pilot Program* staff 13 members are trained as a team to work with children of all abilities, are 14 knowledgeable in adaptive teaching methods and equipment, and strongly believe in 15 the benefits of maintaining a full and satisfactory recreation lifestyle; and

WHEREAS, among the therapeutic benefits children with disabilities enjoy as a result of engaging in recreational activities are increased self-esteem and confidence, increased balance, strength and coordination, a sense of satisfaction and fulfillment, and bonding through recreation with others; and

WHEREAS, from June through July 2014, children enrolled in *Sirena-T Guam's Summer Day Camp Pilot Program* were supported by an excellent team of professionals who have years of training and experience in working with families of children with special needs; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Sam Mabini, Ms. Shelby Hodge, Ms. Caroline Van Zandt,
and Ms. Mariah Jena comprise the small team of professionals at *Sirena-T Guam's*

Summer Day Camp Pilot Program that believe in the value of providing fun, safe, and
 appropriate recreational activities to children with special needs; now therefore, be it

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3 **RESOLVED**, that I Mina'Trentai Dos Na Liheslaturan Guåhan does hereby, 4 on behalf of the people of Guam, commend and congratulate the management and 5 staff of Sirena-T Guam, the Guam Regional Medical City, and Hotel Nikko Guam on the launch of Sirena-T Guam's Summer Day Camp Pilot Program, and extend a 6 7 sincere Un Dångkolo Na Si Yu'os Ma'åse' to these organizations for their 8 commitment to supporting Guam's families of children with special needs; and does 9 further recognize the generous and compassionate partnership established between 10 Sirena-T Guam's Summer Day Camp Pilot Program and the Hotel Nikko Guam, most 11 notably the leadership of Mr. Joe Blas who stepped up and graciously welcomed 12 Guam's families of children with special needs to the beautiful recreational facilities 13 at Hotel Nikko Guam, and Ms. Margaret Bengzon for believing in and supporting Dr. 14 Mabini's vision and initiatives through Sirena-T Guam; and be it further

15 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, 16 the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Dr. Sam 17 Mabini; to Ms. Shelby Hodge; to Ms. Caroline Van Zandt; to Ms. Mariah Jena; to Ms. 18 Margaret A Bengzon, President and Chief Executive Officer, Guam Regional Medical 19 City; to Mr. Joe Blas, Assistant General Manager, Hotel Nikko Guam; and to the 20 Honorable Edward J.B. Calvo, *I Maga'lahen Guåhan*.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY *I MINA'TRENTAI DOS NA LIHESLATURAN GUAHAN* ON THIS DAY 10th OF JULY 2014.

JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D. Speaker

TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES Legislative Secretary