

I Mina Trentai Tres Na Liheslaturan Guåhan
Resolutions Log Sheet

Resolution No.	Sponsor	Title	Date Intro	Date of Presentation	Date Referred	Committee / Ofc Referred	PUBLIC HEARING DATE	DATE COMMITTEE REPORT FILED	Date Adopted
133-33 (COR)	B. J.F. Cruz	Relative to recognizing a newly established cultural house in Guam, known as Guma' Fuetsan i Chamoruta, Tulu na Nãpu (House of the Strength of Our People, The Third Generation),and commending the efforts of cultural house instructor Patrick "Somnak" Camacho in his completion of the first three (3) levels in his endeavors to achieve certification as Fafa'nã'gue of his Guma'.	06/23/15 4:44 p.m.	06/28/15 2:30 p.m.					06/25/15

I MINA'TRENTAI TRES NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
2015 (FIRST) Regular Session

Resolution No. 133-33 (COR)

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1 **BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF *I***
2 ***MINA'TRENTAI TRES NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN*:**

3 **WHEREAS,** it is the custom of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* to honor and pay tribute
4 to those organizations whose commitment and creative talents contribute to the
5 promotion, preservation and perpetuation of Chamorro culture; and

1 **WHEREAS**, attendant to such concern and in full accord with its long-standing
2 traditions, *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* is justly proud to commend *Guma' Fuetsan i*
3 *Chamoru-ta, Tulu na Nåpu*, for its promotion of Chamorro arts and culture on the
4 island; and

5 **WHEREAS**, *Guma' Fuetsan i Chamoru-ta, Tulu na Nåpu*, was formed in
6 January, 2014, by Patrick “Somnak” Camacho, who began his training with Master of
7 Chamorro Dance, Francisco “Frank” B. Rabon, in August 2006, and completed his
8 first three (3) levels in rites of passage (*Åplok, Mana*, and *Ma'asun*) as required; and

9 **WHEREAS**, *Señot* Camacho furthered his cultural knowledge under
10 *Fafa'nå'gue* (teacher) Brian “BJ” Terlaje of *Guma' Råsan Åcho' Latte*, acquiring
11 additional knowledge in his endeavors to achieve his certification as *Fafa'nå'gue* of
12 his *Guma'*; and

13 **WHEREAS**, officially recognized by the *Inetnon i Manfafa'nå'guen Bailan*
14 *Chamorro* (Tribal Council) on June 5, 2015, *Guma' Fuetsan i Chamoru-ta, Tulu na*
15 *Nåpu*, has actively promoted Chamorro cultural arts and presented the proper image of
16 the culture on Guam to our visitors, and continuously provides Chamorro performance
17 presentations when called upon by the local community, the government of Guam,
18 and the hotel industry; and

19 **WHEREAS**, over the last year since its formation, *Guma' Fuetsan i Chamoru-*
20 *ta, Tulu na Nåpu*, has grown to a troupe of forty-two (42) students and practitioners,
21 mostly comprised of youth from the northern schools of the island, and the vibrant
22 group has actively participated in the annual *Dinanña' Minagof* (Joyful Gathering)

1 Chamorro Dance Competition in 2014, the Guam Visitors Bureau-sponsored Guam-
2 Micronesia Island Fair in 2014 and 2015, and other prestigious events held annually
3 throughout the island of Guam; and

4 **WHEREAS**, in addition to its regular exhibitions in community centers, *Guma’*
5 *Fuetsan i Chamoru-ta, Tulu na Nâpu*, has been chosen to serve as the main cultural
6 performing arts troupe for *Sâgan Kotturan Chamoru* (Chamoru Cultural Immersion
7 Center), a center at *Ipao* Point, established by *Inadahen I Lina’la’ I Kotturan*
8 *Chamoru, Inc.*, in August, 2014; and

9 **WHEREAS**, with the recent recognition of *Guma’ Fuetsan i Chamoru-ta, Tulu*
10 *na Nâpu*, the non-profit cultural organization, *På’a Taotao Tâno’* (Way of Life of the
11 People of the Land) - whose goal is to develop a forum in which cultural practitioners
12 can perform, exhibit and share the traditions of the indigenous people of Guam and
13 the Marianas - now has a total of eighteen (18) recognized *Guma’ siha*, to include
14 eleven (11) in Guam, three (3) in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands
15 (CNMI), two (2) in California, and two (2) in Japan; now therefore, be it

16 **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina’Trentai Tres Na*
17 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the people
18 of Guam, commend and congratulate *Guma’Fuetsan i Chamoru-ta, Tulu na Nâpu*, a
19 newly established cultural house in Guam, as well as its dedicated Director, Patrick
20 “Somnak” Camacho, in his completion of the first three (3) levels in rites of passage
21 as required by the Master of Chamorro Dance, Francisco B. Rabon; and be it further

1 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules
2 certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of
3 the same be thereafter transmitted to *Guma' Fuetsan i Chamoru-ta, Tulu na Nâpu*; to
4 Director Patrick "Somnak" Camacho; to *På'a Taotao Tâno'*; and to the Honorable
5 Edward J.B. Calvo, *I Maga'lahren Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF
I MINA'TRENTAI TRES NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE 25TH DAY
OF JUNE 2015.**



JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D.
Speaker



THOMAS C. ADA
Acting Chairperson, Committee on Rules



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	SIGNATURE	DATE	TO ADOPT	TO NOT ADOPT	TO ABSTAIN
Senator Rory J. Respicio Chairperson	E-mail	6/25/15	✓		
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Vice-Speaker Benjamin J.F. Cruz Member		6/25/15	✓		
Legislative Secretary Tina Rose Muña Barnes Member	E-mail	6/25/15	✓		
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9 Certified. _____ Returned

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