

I MINA'TRENTAI OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No.	Sponsor	Title	Date Intro	Date of Presentation	Date Adopted	Date Referred	Referred to	PUBLIC HEARING DATE	DATE AUTHORS REPORT FILED	NOTES
28-38 (COR)	Vincent Anthony V. Borja Tina Rose Muña Barnes Frank F. Blas, Jr. Telo T. Taitague William A. Parkinson Sabrina Salas Matanane Shelly V. Calvo Sabina Flores Perez Jesse A. Lujan V. Anthony Ada Chris Barnett Joe S. San Agustin Eulogio Shawn Gumataotao Christopher M. Dueñas Therese M. Terlaje	Relative to recognizing the observance of “2025 National Social Worker Month” in March 2025 with the theme, “Social Work: Compassion + Action”; and commending Guam’s social workers for their dedication to improving the well-being of the people of Guam and enhancing their basic needs.	3/12/25 8:44 a.m.	3/31/25 3:15 p.m.	3/28/25 4:39 p.m.					

Resolution No. 28-38 (COR)

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U MA PRUPONI NI' KUMITEHAN AREKLAMENTON I MINA'TRENTAI OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN:
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF *I MINA'TRENTAI OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN:*

WHEREAS, the National Association of Social Workers (NASW) has designated March 2025 as “National Social Worker Month”, with the theme “*Social Work: Compassion + Action*,” emphasizing the essential role that social workers play in building stronger communities and providing critical services to individuals and families in need; and

WHEREAS, social work as a profession has a long history of advancing the well-being of individuals, families, and communities, addressing pressing social issues such as poverty, mental health, healthcare access, child welfare, domestic violence, elder care, and substance abuse recovery; and

WHEREAS, Guam has a proud tradition of dedicated social workers who have tirelessly served the island, providing essential services through government agencies, non-profit organizations, schools, hospitals, and community-based programs, ensuring that vulnerable populations receive the care and resources they need; and

WHEREAS, over the past year, social workers on Guam have played an instrumental role in addressing critical social issues, to include:

- assisting families affected by economic hardships by connecting them with financial aid, food assistance programs, and essential services;
- advocating for mental health awareness and expanding access to counseling and crisis intervention services for those struggling with anxiety, depression, and trauma;
- providing funds to support survivors of domestic violence and abuse through crisis response, shelter services, and legal advocacy, in partnership with organizations such as Healing Hearts Crisis Center, VARO and the Bureau of Social Services Administration;
- providing compassionate care and advocacy for foster children and at-risk youth through the work of the Department of Youth Affairs, the Guam Behavioral Health and Wellness Center, the Judiciary of Guam, and the Department of Public Health and Social Services' Child Protective Services Division;
- aiding elderly residents and individuals with disabilities by ensuring they receive the necessary medical, social, and housing support to maintain their dignity and quality of life;
- collaborating with local and federal agencies in disaster response and recovery efforts, and offering social services and counseling to families impacted by typhoons and other emergencies; and

WHEREAS, Guam’s social workers have demonstrated resilience and commitment by continuously adapting to evolving social challenges, advocating for policy changes that enhance social justice, and working towards a more equitable society; and

WHEREAS, social workers uphold the values of service, social justice, dignity, and integrity, making a profound difference in the lives of countless individuals and families on Guam; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting and proper for *I Mina'trentai Ocho Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* to recognize and commend the tireless work and dedication of Guam’s social workers in advancing the well-being of our island community and ensuring that individuals receive the necessary support to overcome life’s challenges; now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina'trentai Ocho Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the people of Guam, recognize the observance of “2025 National Social Worker Month” in March 2025; and commend Guam’s social workers for their unwavering dedication, compassion, and advocacy in improving the well-being of the people of Guam and enhancing their basic needs; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to the Department of Public Health and Social Services-Health Professional Licensing Board/EMS Division and Child Services; Guam Behavioral Health and Wellness Center; Guam Department of Education- Student Support Service Division (SSSD) and Special Education Division (SPED); the University of Guam; Guam Department of Corrections-Casework & Counseling Services Division (CCSD); WestCare Pacific Islands (WPI); Sanctuary, Incorporated; Catholic Social Service; Alee Shelter; Erica’s House; American Legion Guam; and to the Honorable Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero, *I Maga'hagan Guåhan*.

NA U INADOPTA GI RIGULAT NU I KUMITEHAN AREKLAMENTON I MINA'TRENTAI OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN GI DIHA 28 GI MÁTISO, DOS MIT BENTE SINGKO NA SÁKKAN.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF *I MINA'TRENTAI OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* ON THE 28TH DAY OF MARCH 2025.

Frank F. Blas, Jr.
I Eitmas Ge'helo'
Speaker

V. Anthony Ada
Ge'helo' Rigulát Kumitehan Areklamenton
Chairperson, Committee on Rules

Sabrina Salas Matanane
Sikritária, Liheslaturan Guåhan
Legislative Secretary



Caden Pobletz

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'Caden Pobletz', written over the printed name.

1:11 pm

07/21/25

I MINA'TRENTAI OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
2025 (FIRST) Regular Session

Resolution No. 28-38 (COR)

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2 ***MINA'TRENTAI OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN:***

3 **WHEREAS,** the National Association of Social Workers (NASW) has
4 designated March 2025 as “National Social Worker Month”, with the theme “*Social*
5 *Work: Compassion + Action,*” emphasizing the essential role that social workers play

1 in building stronger communities and providing critical services to individuals and
2 families in need; and

3 **WHEREAS**, social work as a profession has a long history of advancing the
4 well-being of individuals, families, and communities, addressing pressing social issues
5 such as poverty, mental health, healthcare access, child welfare, domestic violence,
6 elder care, and substance abuse recovery; and

7 **WHEREAS**, Guam has a proud tradition of dedicated social workers who have
8 tirelessly served the island, providing essential services through government agencies,
9 non-profit organizations, schools, hospitals, and community-based programs, ensuring
10 that vulnerable populations receive the care and resources they need; and

11 **WHEREAS**, over the past year, social workers on Guam have played an
12 instrumental role in addressing critical social issues, to include:

13 • assisting families affected by economic hardships by connecting them with
14 financial aid, food assistance programs, and essential services;

15 • advocating for mental health awareness and expanding access to counseling and
16 crisis intervention services for those struggling with anxiety, depression, and trauma;

17 • providing funds to support survivors of domestic violence and abuse through
18 crisis response, shelter services, and legal advocacy, in partnership with organizations
19 such as Healing Hearts Crisis Center, VARO and the Bureau of Social Services
20 Administration;

21 • providing compassionate care and advocacy for foster children and at-risk youth
22 through the work of the Department of Youth Affairs, the Guam Behavioral Health and
23 Wellness Center, the Judiciary of Guam, and the Department of Public Health and
24 Social Services' Child Protective Services Division;

- 1 • aiding elderly residents and individuals with disabilities by ensuring they
- 2 receive the necessary medical, social, and housing support to maintain their dignity and
- 3 quality of life;
- 4 • collaborating with local and federal agencies in disaster response and recovery
- 5 efforts, and offering social services and counseling to families impacted by typhoons
- 6 and other emergencies; and

7 **WHEREAS**, Guam’s social workers have demonstrated resilience and
8 commitment by continuously adapting to evolving social challenges, advocating for
9 policy changes that enhance social justice, and working towards a more equitable
10 society; and

11 **WHEREAS**, social workers uphold the values of service, social justice, dignity,
12 and integrity, making a profound difference in the lives of countless individuals and
13 families on Guam; and

14 **WHEREAS**, it is fitting and proper for *I Mina’trentai Ocho Na Liheslaturan*
15 *Guåhan* to recognize and commend the tireless work and dedication of Guam’s social
16 workers in advancing the well-being of our island community and ensuring that
17 individuals receive the necessary support to overcome life’s challenges; now therefore,
18 be it

19 **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina’trentai Ocho Na*
20 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the people
21 of Guam, recognize the observance of “2025 National Social Worker Month” in March
22 2025; and commend Guam’s social workers for their unwavering dedication,
23 compassion, and advocacy in improving the well-being of the people of Guam and
24 enhancing their basic needs; and be it further

25 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules
26 certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of

1 the same be thereafter transmitted to the Department of Public Health and Social
2 Services-Health Professional Licensing Board/EMS Division and Child Services;
3 Guam Behavioral Health and Wellness Center; Guam Department of Education-
4 Student Support Service Division (SSSD) and Special Education Division (SPED); the
5 University of Guam; Guam Department of Corrections-Casework & Counseling
6 Services Division (CCSD); WestCare Pacific Islands (WPI); Sanctuary, Incorporated;
7 Catholic Social Service; Alee Shelter; Erica's House; American Legion Guam; and to
8 the Honorable Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero, *I Maga'hågan Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF
I MINA'TRENTAI OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE 28TH DAY
OF MARCH 2025.**



Frank F. Blas, Jr.
Speaker



V. Anthony Ada
Chairperson, Committee on Rules



Sabrina Salas Matanane
Legislative Secretary



COMMITTEE ON RULES

VICE SPEAKER V. ANTHONY ADA, CHAIRPERSON

I Mina'trentai Ocho Na Liheslaturan Guahan

38th Guam Legislature

COMMITTEE VOTE SHEET

Resolution No. 28-38 (COR) Vincent Anthony V. Borja, Tina Rose Muna Barñes, Telo T. Taitague, Shelly V. Calvo, Jesse A. Lujan, Chris Barnett, William A. Parkinson, Therese M. Terlaje, Christopher M. Dueñas, Frank F. Blas, Jr., V. Anthony Ada, Eulogio Shawn Gumataotao, Sabina Flores Perez, Joe S. San Agustin, Sabrina S. Matanane – Relative to recognizing the observance of “2025 National Social Worker Month” in March 2025 with the theme, “Social Work: Compassion + Action”; and commending Guam’s social workers for their dedication to improving the well-being of the people of Guam and enhancing their basic needs.

	INITIAL	DATE	TO ADOPT	TO NOT ADOPT	TO ABSTAIN
Vice Speaker V. Anthony Ada Chairperson	E-VOTE	03/28/25	X		
Senator Christopher M. Dueñas Vice Chairperson	E- VOTE	03/28/25	X		
Speaker Frank F. Blas, Jr. Member	E-VOTE	03/28/25	X		
Legislative Secretary Sabrina Salas Matanane Member					
Senator Vincent A.V. Borja Member	<i>VB</i>	03/28/25	X		
Senator Shelly Calvo Member	E-VOTE	03/28/25	X		
Senator Eulogio Shawn Gumataotao Member					
Senator Jesse Anderson Lujan Member	E-VOTE	03/28/25	X		
Senator Telo Teresa Taitague Member	E-VOTE	03/28/25	X		
Senator Tina Rose Muña Barnes Minority Member	E-VOTE	03/28/25	X		
Senator Joe S. San Agustin Minority Member	E-VOTE	03/28/25	X		
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Sponsor Signature: <i>Vincent Borja</i>					
Staff Contact Person: CADEN N.O. POBLETE					
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<u>9</u> Certified _____ Returned _____					
Name: Jennalyn-Rose Aflague					
Date: March 28, 2025 at 4:39 p.m.					
Notes:					



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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

March 25, 2025

MEMORANDUM

To: All Senators, Stakeholders
From: Senator Vincent A. V. Borja
Subject: **Notice of Presentation – Resolution No. 28-38 (COR)**

Buenas yan Håfa Adai!

Please join us for the presentation of **Resolution No. 28-38 (COR)**:

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The Guam social work community continues to support out island’s people by providing essential services and care. In this presentation, we aim to recognize and celebrate the social work community in observance of National Social Work Month, with the theme “Social Work: Compassion + Action.” Your attendance and support are greatly appreciated.

Presentation Information:

Date: Monday, March 31, 2025

Presentation Time: 3:15 PM

Venue: The Guam Museum: Theatre

Address: 193 Chalan Santo Papa Juan Pablo Dos, Hågatña, 96910, Guam

Si Yu'os Ma'åse'!

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