

I MINA'TRENTAI OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN
RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No.	Sponsor	Title	Date Intro	Date of Presentation	Date Adopted	Date Referred	Referred to	PUBLIC HEARING DATE	DATE AUTHORS REPORT FILED	NOTES
33-38 (LS)	Frank F. Blas, Jr. Telo T. Taitague	Relative to recognizing the Judiciary of Guam, the U.S. District Court of Guam, and the Guam Bar Association for the service they provide to the island community; and commending them for their advocacy of justice and equality as we join them in the celebration of “Law Month” from April 21, 2025 to May 21, 2025, and “Law Day” on May 1, 2025.	3/24/25 9:43 a.m.	4/3/25 8:30 a.m.	3/24/25					

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

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WHEREAS, the drafters of the U.S. Constitution, seeking to prevent tyranny by any one (1) group, separated the powers of the legislative, the executive, and the judicial branches among the three (3) branches of government, ensuring no one faction could rule unchecked; and

WHEREAS, the United States has always consisted of many viewpoints, religions, and experiences, and the trajectory of this country has been to include more voices, thus becoming a true representative democracy of the many; and

WHEREAS, public education was designed to serve as a unifying force, providing an economic benefit, instilling values of civic virtue, and bringing social classes together to form “one” educated citizenry; and

WHEREAS, we, the people, are united by our shared responsibility to contribute to the common good through jury duty, voting, military, or public service; and

WHEREAS, we, the people, are also brought together in pursuit of legislative efforts that promote healthcare, education, clean air and water, national emergency responses, and national parks; and

WHEREAS, in line with this history, the theme for “Law Month 2025” is *The Constitution’s Promise. Out of Many, One*; and

WHEREAS, this theme is especially meaningful for the U.S. territories of Guam, the Northern Mariana Islands, Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands, and American Samoa which continue to strive for equal treatment under the U.S. Constitution; and

WHEREAS, while the United States has made great strides in realizing its motto of “*E Pluribus Unum*,” inequalities still persist and political polarization threatens our shared sense of community; and

WHEREAS, this year’s theme provides an opportunity to showcase the diversity of American democracy and reaffirm the contributions of our territories to the nation; and

WHEREAS, this observance highlights our role in building a more inclusive and perfect union and ensures our voices are prominent in the evolving narrative of American jurisprudence; and

WHEREAS, as part of our celebration of “Law Month,” the Judiciary of Guam, the U.S. District Court of Guam, and the Guam Bar Association will hold a series of events to educate our community, and highlight the importance of the voice of the people and active participation in our democracy; and

WHEREAS, among these events will be an essay and art contest on this year’s theme; the Supreme Court of Guam Outreach Oral Argument; fairy tale mock trials performed by students in the courtrooms of the Judiciary of Guam; the “Jump for Justice” fitness event; the Guam Girl Scouts Justice Patch; the presentation of the 2025 “Hustisia Award”; and the Race Judicate 5K, a collaborative and unified effort to raise funds for charitable purposes; and

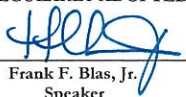
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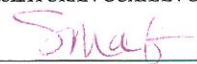
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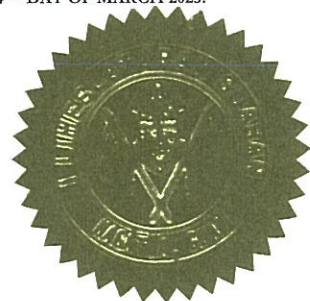
RESOLVED, that *I Mina'trentai Ocho Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, recognize the Judiciary of Guam, the U.S. District Court of Guam, and the Guam Bar Association for the service they provide to the island community; and commend them for their advocacy of justice and equality as we join them in the celebration of “Law Month” from April 21 to May 21, 2025, and “Law Day” on May 1, 2025; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Speaker certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to the Honorable Robert J. Torres, Chief Justice, Supreme Court of Guam; to the Honorable Frances Tydingco-Gatewood, Chief Judge, U.S. District Court of Guam; to the Guam Bar Association; and to the Honorable Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero, *I Moga'hagan Guåhan*.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY I MINA'TRENTAI OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE 24TH DAY OF MARCH 2025.


Frank F. Blas, Jr.
Speaker


Sabrina Salas Matanane
Legislative Secretary



Michael T. Taumua

Atrama 4/2/25 2:05pm

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2025 (FIRST) Regular Session

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38TH GUAM LEGISLATURE – *I Mina'trentai Ocho Na Liheslaturan Guåhan*

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March 27, 2025

MEMORANDUM

To: All Senators, Stakeholders

From: Speaker Frank F. Blas, Jr.

Subject: **Notice of Presentation – Resolution 33-38 (LS)**

Buenas yan Håfa Adai!

Please join us for the presentation of **Resolution No. 33-38 (LS)**:

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Presentation Information:

Date: Thursday, April 3, 2025

Time: 8:30 a.m.

Venue: Guam Judicial Center

Address: 120 W O'Brien Drive

Hågatña, Guam 96910

Si Yu'os Ma'åse'!

###END OF STATEMENT###
