

I MINA'TRENTAI OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
RESOLUTIONS

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31-38 (COR)	Joe S. San Agustin	Relative to recognize, Yolanda Ann Roundtree for her unwavering commitment to our community, youth, education and banking on Guam. Commending her for over 29 years of various community service and the invaluable education provided to our island's youth.	3/14/25 2:28 p.m.	3/21/25 5:30 p.m.						

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Introduced by:

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

3 **WHEREAS,** we recognize Yolanda Ann Roundtree's masterful expertise in the
4 field of finance and education, which she refined during her decades-long journey of
5 service to the communities on Guam, in Japan, and the Continental United States.
6 Yolanda graduated with honors from Southern Illinois University at Carbondale with a
7 Bachelor of Science Degree in Curriculum and Instruction showcasing her proficiency
8 and passion for imparting knowledge and enlightening all groups of people.
9 Additionally, she graduated from Touro University with honors receiving a Masters
10 Degree in Language and Literature, further enriching her skills in pursuing a life-long
11 calling to serve and educate the masses; and

12 **WHEREAS,** in 1988, Roundtree began serving the People of Guam working
13 diligently as a Bank Teller and later as a Loan Officer for the former NAVMAR Federal
14 Credit Union, which is now Community First Federal Credit Union, the oldest local
15 Credit Union in Guam. While with NAVMAR for four years, she counseled and

1 provided financial advice to numerous people in an effort to ensure their financial well-
2 being, and their ability to meet their financial obligations were secured. Her interaction
3 with the island's population further fueled the fire for serving in a role to make a positive
4 difference; and

5 **WHEREAS**, in 1995, Roundtree expanded her scope of community service and
6 passion to be a positive change agent for the residents of Guam, and pursued her passion
7 in the field of education. She secured a position in the Government of Guam's
8 Department of Education, as a Language Arts Teacher at Agueda I Johnston Middle
9 School. For the next 7 years, Roundtree cultivated the young minds of our island youth
10 to appreciate the joy and purpose of being well-read and knowledgeable of the structure
11 and mechanics of writing, comprehension, and verbal expression, which enabled
12 countless to pursue and achieve their dreams; and

13 **WHEREAS**, in 2002, after having achieved an impressive reputation on the
14 island of Guam as being a Teacher's Teacher, Roundtree departed the island and
15 continued to master her craft, and for the next 4 years, taught the structure of the English
16 Language to Japanese Engineering and Structural/Mechanical Interns working for the
17 U.S. Naval Ship Repair Facility located in Yokosuka, Japan who referred to her as Ms.
18 Roundtree-san, or Yolanda-san, from Guam. As a ESL (English as a Second Language)
19 Instructor with the Ship Repair Facility, Roundtree ensured Japanese Interns could read,
20 write, and speak English at a level where the Interns could perform engineering and
21 structural work on US Navy ships and other surface or submersible vessels, safely and
22 precisely according to detailed specifications and guidance given either verbally by
23 English speaking instructors or written in English. While working as an ESL Instructor
24 at SRF, Roundtree received many positive accolades from students, co-workers, and
25 superiors, and cemented her legacy as a Master Teacher by creating and authoring an
26 ESL Curriculum and teaching guide that is still being used to this present day.

1 Roundtree’s duties and accomplishments while at SRF reflected great credit upon
2 herself, the People of Guam, the Navy, and the United States; and

3 **WHEREAS**, in 2007, Roundtree returned to Guam for a third time, and
4 continued her mission of educating the island youth serving as a Master Teacher at
5 Agueda I Johnston Middle School, teaching Reading, until her retirement in 2021.
6 During this period, Yolanda taught hundreds of our island children to appreciate the
7 value and joy of reading while challenging each student to think creatively and act
8 responsibly respecting values, thoughts, opinions, and cultural upbringing of each
9 person. Roundtree not only taught these values but also lived them as she supported
10 numerous island cultural events, schools events, and church events, to include serving
11 the homeless during the Salvation Army’s Annual Thanksgiving Day Lunch; and

12 **WHEREAS**, for over 29 years, Yolanda Ann Roundtree’s unwavering
13 commitment to our community, our youth, and the field of education and banking on
14 Guam as well as the field of education in the Far East, has not only contributed to a
15 more thorough understanding of the many forms of communication and community
16 service; but also has left an indelible mark on the island’s domain of academia; now
17 therefore, be it

18 **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina'trentai Ocho Na*
19 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the people
20 of Guam, recognize, Yolanda Ann Roundtree for her unwavering commitment to our
21 community, youth, education and banking on Guam. Commending her for over 29 years
22 of various community service and the invaluable education provided to our island’s
23 youth; and be it further

24 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules
25 certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of
26 the same be thereafter transmitted to Yolanda Ann Roundtree; and to the Honorable
27 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 DAY
OF MONTH 2025.**

FRANK BLAS JR.
Speaker

V. ANTHONY ADA
Chairperson, Committee on Rules

SABRINA SALAS MATANANE
Legislative Secretary