

I MINA'TRENTAI SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN
RESOLUTIONS

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Introduced by:

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Relative to recognizing the Guam Chapter of the American Red Cross for their unwavering commitment to providing assistance in times of need; and commend them for the vital role they play in providing critical disaster recovery assistance to the people of Guam.

1 **BE IT RESOLVED BY *I MINA'TRENTAI SIETTE NA***
2 ***LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN*:**

3 **WHEREAS**, the American Red Cross was founded in 1881 by Ms. Clara
4 Barton with the purpose of providing support for all those affected by disaster
5 through the power of volunteering. In line with its mission, the American Red Cross
6 has conducted both domestic and international relief efforts that provided persons in
7 need with disaster relief and mitigation throughout the years. To this day, the group
8 continues to act in accordance with its founding principles by providing
9 humanitarian aid to all those in need and hosting various programs aimed at assisting
10 the public. The American Red Cross is one of the largest humanitarian organizations
11 in the world, consisting of nearly thirteen million (13,000,000) volunteers in One
12 Hundred Ninety-Two (192) countries worldwide; and

1 **WHEREAS**, the Guam Chapter of the American Red Cross was founded on
2 October 23, 1916, through a congressional charter and was chaired by Governor
3 William J. Maxwell. The Guam Chapter experienced great success in its early years,
4 recruiting many volunteers and raising thousands of dollars for different campaigns.
5 By 1932, the group had successfully established a Junior Red Cross club and built a
6 school-nursing program to address concerns regarding Guam’s youth; and

7 **WHEREAS**, since their founding, the Guam Chapter of the American Red
8 Cross has played a significant role in supporting the people of Guam by assisting in
9 numerous relief efforts following natural disasters, including Super Typhoon
10 Pamela, Typhoon Russ, Typhoon Omar, Typhoon Paka, Typhoon Chata’an, Super
11 Typhoon Pongsona and the 8.1 earthquake that Guam experienced in 1993; and

12 **WHEREAS**, the Guam Chapter of the American Red Cross has also provided
13 international assistance to people from around the world through efforts such as
14 making appeals for starving Russian citizens in 1922, accepting thousands of
15 refugees at the end of the Vietnam War, providing newly arrived citizens from the
16 Federated States of Micronesia with essentials such as food and shelter, and
17 providing disaster relief for victims of Mount Pinatubo's eruption in the Philippines;
18 and

19 **WHEREAS**, today, the Guam Chapter of the American Red Cross has
20 approximately One Hundred Fifty (150) trained disaster volunteers and is connected
21 to more than Seven Hundred Fifty (750) chapters and Thirty-Six (36) blood regions
22 nationwide; and

23 **WHEREAS**, the Guam Chapter of the American Red Cross continues to turn
24 compassion into action by continuing its commitment to the people of Guam through
25 the enactment of campaigns and projects. Their most recent of these community
26 outreach programs is the Pillow Project, which educates Guam’s youth on disaster
27 preparedness and encourages them to learn about personal and family preparedness

1 as well as safety skills, local hazards, and basic coping skills. By providing the
2 people of Guam with access to programs and assistance, the Guam Chapter of the
3 American Red Cross reaffirms its commitment to aiding families across Guam and
4 around the world; now therefore

5 **RESOLVED**, that *I Mina'trentai Siette Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby,
6 on behalf of the people of Guam, recognize the Guam Chapter of the American Red
7 Cross for their unwavering commitment to providing assistance in times of need;
8 and commend them for the vital role they play in providing critical disaster recovery
9 assistance to the people of Guam; and be it further

10 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to,
11 the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to the
12 Guam Chapter of the American Red Cross and the Honorable Lourdes A. Leon
13 Guerrero, *I Maga'hågan Guåhan*.

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16 **DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY *I MINA'TRENTAI SIETTE NA***
17 ***LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* ON THE _ DAY OF MAY 2023.**

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21 **Therese M. Terlaje**
Speaker

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AMANDA L. SHELTON
Legislative Secretary