

**I MINA'TRENTAI SIETTE 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
77-37 (COR)	Therese M. Terlaje	Relative to recognizing the observance of "Fair Housing Month" during the month of April 2023; and commending the Guam Association of REALTORS® for its continued commitment to upholding fair housing ideals and its dedication to protecting the rights and interests of its members and our island residents.	4/3/23 4:38 p.m.	4/5/23 4:00 p.m.	4/4/23 3:28 p.m.					

Resolution No. 77-37 (COR)

Introduced by:
Therese M. Terlaje

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BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF I MINA TRENTAI SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN:

WHEREAS, this year commemorates the Fifty-fifth (55th) Anniversary of the passage of the Fair Housing Act, the landmark civil rights law signed by President Lyndon B. Johnson on April 11, 1968, that made discrimination in housing transactions unlawful. The Fair Housing Act prohibits discrimination in housing because of race, color national origin, religion, sex (including gender identity and sexual orientation), disability, and familial status; and

WHEREAS, the Guam Association of REALTORS® (GAR) then known as Guam Real Estate Board founded in 1970, is the official "Voice for Real Estate" on Guam, providing the public with information about real estate on Guam such as buying, selling, renting, or connecting with a realtor, with over six hundred (600) members involved in all aspects of the residential and commercial real estate industries; and

WHEREAS, in November of 1971, GAR became a part of what would become today, one of the largest and influential trade industry in the nation, the National Association of REALTORS® (NAR) which recognizes that fair housing is more than a list of rights and penalties and mandatory continuing education. As stewards of the right to own, use, and transfer private property, NAR recognizes that fair housing protects their livelihood and business as REALTORS® and depends on a free and open market that embraces equal opportunity. NAR recognizes the significance of the Fair Housing Act and reconfirms their commitment to upholding the Fair Housing Law, as well as their commitment to offering equal professional service to all individuals and families in their search for real property. NAR's Fair Housing Action Plan (ACT), emphasizes accountability, culture, change, and training in order to ensure that America's 1.5 million REALTORS® are doing everything possible to protect housing rights; and


WHEREAS, according to local real estate expert Siska Hutapea, President of Cornerstone Valuation Guam, "Guam saw \$600 million in real estate sales in 2021, a 55% increase from 2020, and the largest value of sales in a decade. Of the \$600 million, \$342 million was spent on single-family homes, which is 52% higher than 2020." The military buildup, rising valuations, low interest rates, and inflation concerns are fueling the market. The higher valuations also have a positive effect on minimizing foreclosure and bankruptcy filings as pandemic distressed owners are more likely to have equity and be able to liquidate their real estate assets; and

WHEREAS, as a member of NAR, GAR's primary objectives are to unite those engaged in the recognized branches of the real estate profession for the purpose of exerting a beneficial influence upon the profession and related interests; to promote and maintain high standards of conduct in the real estate profession as expressed in the NAR Code of Ethics; to provide a unified medium for real estate owners and those engaged in the real estate profession whereby their interests may be safeguarded and advanced; to further the interests of home and other real property ownership; to unite those engaged in the real estate profession in this community with the Association and NAR, thereby furthering their own objectives throughout the nation, and obtaining the benefits and privileges of membership therein; and to designate, for the benefit of the public, individuals authorized to use the terms REALTOR® and REALTORS® as licensed, prescribed, and controlled by NAR; now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Committee on Rules of I Mina Trentai Siette Na Liheslaturan Guåhan does hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, recognize the observance of "Fair Housing Month" during the month of April 2023; and commend the Guam Association of REALTORS® for its continued commitment to upholding fair housing ideals and its dedication to protecting the rights and interests of its members and our island residents; 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 Guam Association of REALTORS®; and to the Honorable Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero, I Magsa' hågån Guåhan.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF I MINA TRENTAI SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE 4TH DAY OF APRIL 2023.


THERESE M. TERLAJE
Speaker


CHRIS BARNETT
Chairperson, Committee on Rules


AMANDA L. SHELTON
Legislative Secretary



MARIE CRUZ
McCrill
4/5/23, 1:49pm

I MINA'TRENTAI SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN
2023 (FIRST) Regular Session

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**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF
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THERESE M. TERLAJE
Speaker



CHRIS BARNETT
Chairperson, Committee on Rules



AMANDA L. SHELTON
Legislative Secretary



COMMITTEE ON RULES

Chris Barnett, Chairperson, Committee on Rules

I Mina'trentai Siette Na Liheslaturan Guåhan

37th Guam Legislature

COMMITTEE VOTE SHEET

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	INITIAL	DATE	TO ADOPT	TO NOT ADOPT	TO ABSTAIN
Senator Chris Barnett Chairperson					
Senator Sabina Flores Perez Vice Chairperson	E-Vote	04/04/2023	X		
Speaker Therese M. Terlaje Member	<i>TMT</i>	04/04/2023	X		
Vice Speaker Tina Rose Muña Barnes Member					
Legislative Secretary Amanda L. Shelton Member	E-Vote	04/04/2023	X		
Senator William A. Parkinson Member	E-Vote	04/04/2023	X		
Senator Roy A. B. Quinata Member	E-Vote	04/04/2023	X		
Senator Joe S. San Agustin Member	E-Vote	04/04/2023	X		
Senator Dwayne T. D. San Nicolas Member					
Senator Joanne Brown Minority Member	E-Vote	04/04/2023	X		
Senator Christopher M. Dueñas Minority Member	E-Vote	04/04/2023	X		
Senator Thomas J. Fisher Minority Member					
Senator Telo T. Taitague Minority Member	E-Vote	04/04/2023	X		
For Sponsor's Office Use Only					
Sponsor Signature: <i>Therese M. Terlaje</i>					
Staff Contact Person: Marie Cruz					
For COR/Clerk's Office Use Only					
_ 9 _ Certified _____ Returned					
Name: Marie Crisostomo					
Date: 4/4/23 3:28 p.m.					
Notes:					



Office of the Speaker
THERESE M. TERLAJE

I Mina'trentai Siette na Liheslaturan Guåhan | 37th Guam Legislature
Committee on Health, Land, Justice and Culture

April 4, 2023

MEMORANDUM

To: All Senators, Stakeholders

From: Speaker Therese M. Terlaje *TMT*

Subject: **Notice of Presentation - Resolution No. 77-37 (COR)**

Buenas yan Håfa Adai!

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The presentation will be held on **Wednesday, April 05, 2023, at 4:00 p.m.** at the **Guam Congress Building, Public Hearing Room.**

We look forward to your attendance and participation.

Si Yu'os Ma'åse'!

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