

**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
287-37 (COR)	Therese M. Terlaje Amanda L. Shelton Tina Rose Muña Barnes Chris Barnett Frank Blas, Jr. Christopher M. Dueñas Jesse A. Lujan William A. Parkinson Joe S. San Agustin Dwayne T.D. San Nicolas Telo T. Taitague Joanne Brown	Relative to recognizing the Filipino Ladies Association of Guam (FLAG) on the observance of its Sixty-second (62nd) Year Anniversary celebration, and the installation of its new Executive Officers, Board of Directors, and Board of Trustees; and commending the members of FLAG for its efforts in fostering unity within the Filipino community and perpetuating the Filipino culture, traditions and heritage, and for its services to the people of our island community.	1/2/24 9:44 a.m.	1/6/24 8:30 p.m.	1/4/24 2:26 p.m.					

Joseph Madroga  
01/09/2024  
4:42pm

Resolution No. 287-37 (COR)

Introduced by:

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

WHEREAS, the Filipino Ladies Association of Guam (FLAG) is an all-women's group that was established in 1962, then led by Bea Macareg and Ligaya Fruto, to foster unity and closer relationships among the Filipino community and preserve the Filipino traditions and culture, and to conserve the bonds of friendship with the people of Guam; and

WHEREAS, the guiding principle for FLAG is its FLAG Credo which states, "We believe that with the help of the Divine Providence we shall be able to fulfill our goals, our aspirations, and help keep a better and happier Guam. Love one another in a Christian way, assist the overburdened, the bewildered, the weary, and give the best we can to honor our God, country, home, and the Filipino Ladies Association of Guam"; and

WHEREAS, FLAG created fundraising activities, such as the "Little Miss Sampaguita" which provided donations to the Women United Against Cancer, Catholic Social Service, the Carmelite Sisters, the Rigali Foundation, and the American Cancer Society's "Relay for Life"; and

WHEREAS, FLAG has also participated in various socio-civic activities, including annual donations to charities, such as the American Red Cross, the Kundirana Guam Charity Association, the Salvation Army, Harvest House, and numerous other charities in the Philippines; and through its scholarship assistance program to Guam residents, they have improved the lives of those individuals in most need; and

WHEREAS, over the years, FLAG has made financial donations for medical equipment to the Guam Memorial Hospital Authority, to on and off-island medical treatment for many patients, and to the construction of recreational centers in Guam; as well as, providing assistance to the people of the Philippines and Guam during times of crisis; and

WHEREAS, FLAG members have dedicated their time, effort, and financial support to numerous landmarks on Guam, which includes Ypao Beach's Sampaguita Pavilion, Two Lovers Point, the University of Guam's "Welcome" sign, the Santa Maria Kamalen statue in Malesso', and the Papal statue of Pope John Paul II in Hagåtña, and

WHEREAS, FLAG was awarded with the "1992-1993 Banang Presidential Award" by the Office of the President of the Philippines - Commission of Filipinos Overseas in recognition of their continued efforts to unite Filipino women, promoting the Filipino culture, traditions and heritage, and for its numerous contributions and donations to organizations to aid those in need, especially to those who are homeless, and sick; and

WHEREAS, FLAG is a member of two (2) international women's organizations - the Washington General Federation of Women's Club (GFWC), which provides an array of resources to meet the needs of clubwomen who are united by a desire to create positive change in their communities; and the Federation of Asian-Pacific Women's Association (FAWA), an organization that aims to promote effective understanding and cooperation among women and people in the Asian region; to enhance the role of Asian women in the economic, cultural, and spiritual development; to increase their participation in world affairs; and to gain access of Asian women to educational and cultural activities; and

WHEREAS, I Liheslaturan Guåhan recognizes and congratulates the individuals and organizations such as the Filipino Ladies Association of Guam that have made huge contributions for the betterment of the island; and for over sixty-two (62) years, they have provided outstanding community work in Guam; and I Liheslaturan recognizes the outgoing 2023 Executive Officers: President Chona Cabedo-Garin; Vice President Emelita Crisostomo; Recording Secretary Celia Casem-Martinez; Corresponding Secretary Josie Atherton; Treasurer Lesly G. Dayson; Assistant Treasurer Jearly Botha; and Board of Directors: Annie Gozum-Soto, Linda Tolan, Nilda Estampador, Gloria Baguion, Maria Cristina Bansil, Lorie Castelo, Nilfa Milan, Nenita Magallanes, and Roma Velasco; and

WHEREAS, the Filipino Ladies Association of Guam (FLAG) continues to give people the opportunity to find peace, harmony, and purity in their aspirations through its crusade for unity within the Filipino community, as they strive to conserve the bonds of friendship with all of the people of Guam; now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Committee on Rules of I Mina'trentai Siette Na Liheslaturan Guåhan does hereby, on behalf of I Liheslaturan Guåhan and the people of Guam, recognize the Filipino Ladies Association of Guam (FLAG) on the observance of its Sixty-second (62<sup>nd</sup>) Year Anniversary celebration, and the installation of its new Executive Officers, Board of Directors, and Board of Trustees; and commend the members of FLAG for their efforts in fostering unity within the Filipino community and perpetuating the Filipino culture, traditions and heritage, and for its services to the people of our island community; 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 Filipino Ladies Association of Guam; and the Honorable Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero, I Maga'hagan Guåhan.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF I MINA'TRENTAI SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN ON THE 4<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF JANUARY 2024.

*Therese M. Terlaje*  
THERESE M. TERLAJE  
Speaker

*Chris Barnett*  
CHRIS BARNETT  
Chairperson, Committee on Rules

*Amanda L. Shelton*  
AMANDA L. SHELTON  
Legislative Secretary



***I MINA'TRENTAI SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN***  
**2024 (SECOND) Regular Session**

**Resolution No. 287-37 (COR)**

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3 the people of Guam; and

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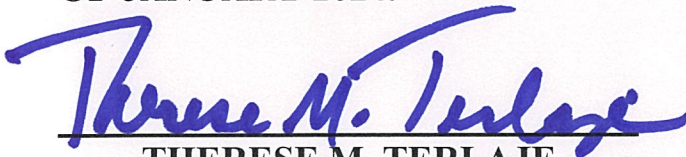


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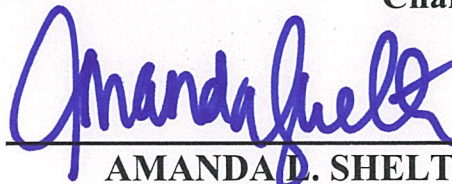
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I MINA'TRENTAI SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE 4<sup>TH</sup> DAY  
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**THERESE M. TERLAJE**  
Speaker



**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*

37<sup>th</sup> Guam Legislature

## COMMITTEE VOTE SHEET

Resolution No. 287-37 (COR) – Therese M. Terlaje, Amanda L. Shelton, Tina Rose Muña Barnes, Chris Barnett, Frank Blas, Jr., Christopher M. Dueñas, Jesse A. Lujan, William A. Parkinson, Joe S. San Agustin, Dwayne T.D. San Nicolas, Telo T. Taitague. – “Relative to recognizing the Filipino Ladies Association of Guam (FLAG) on the observance of its Sixty-second (62<sup>nd</sup>) Year Anniversary celebration, and the installation of its new Executive Officers, Board of Directors, and Board of Trustees; and commending the members of FLAG for its efforts in fostering unity within the Filipino community and perpetuating the Filipino culture, traditions and heritage, and for its services to the people of our island community.”

	INITIAL	DATE	TO ADOPT	TO NOT ADOPT	TO ABSTAIN
<b>Senator Chris Barnett</b> Chairperson	E-Vote	1/04/24	X		
<b>Senator Sabina Flores Perez</b> Vice Chairperson					
<b>Speaker Therese M. Terlaje</b> Member	<i>TMT</i>	1/04/24	X		
<b>Vice Speaker Tina Rose Muña Barnes</b> Member	E-Vote	1/04/24	X		
<b>Legislative Secretary Amanda L. Shelton</b> Member	E-Vote	1/04/24	X		
<b>Senator William A. Parkinson</b> Member	E-Vote	1/04/24	X		
<b>Senator Roy A. B. Quinata</b> Member	E-Vote	1/04/24	X		
<b>Senator Joe S. San Agustin</b> Member	E-Vote	1/04/24	X		
<b>Senator Dwayne T. D. San Nicolas</b> Member	E-Vote	1/04/24	X		
<b>Senator Joanne Brown</b> Minority Member	E-Vote	1/04/24	X		
<b>Senator Christopher M. Dueñas</b> Minority Member					
<b>Senator Thomas J. Fisher</b> Minority Member	E-Vote	1/04/24	X		
<b>Senator Telo T. Taitague</b> Minority Member	E-Vote	1/04/24	X		

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Sponsor Signature: *Therese M. Terlaje*

Staff Contact Person: Marie Cruz

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11 Certified \_\_\_\_\_ Returned

Name: Kein R. Artero

Date: January 4, 2024 at 2:26 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

January 5, 2024

**MEMORANDUM**

To: All Senators, Stakeholders

From: Speaker Therese M. Terlaje *TMT*

Subject: **Notice of Presentation - Resolution No. 287-37 (COR)**

*Buenas yan Håfa Adai!*

Please join us for the presentation of Resolution No. 287-37 (COR) - "**Relative to recognizing the Filipino Ladies Association of Guam (FLAG) on the observance of its Sixty-second (62nd) Year Anniversary celebration, and the installation of its new Executive Officers, Board of Directors, and Board of Trustees; and commending the members of FLAG for its efforts in fostering unity within the Filipino community and perpetuating the Filipino culture, traditions and heritage, and for its services to the people of our island community.**"

Resolution No. 287-37 (COR) will be presented on **Saturday, January 6, 2024, between 8:30 p.m. and 9:00 p.m., at the Dusit Thani Resort Guam, Tumon.**

We look forward to your participation.

*Si Yu'os Ma'åse'!*

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