

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
326-37 (LS)	Roy A. B. Quinata	Relative to recognizing the Guam System for Assistive Technology (GSAT) on its Thirtieth (30th) Annual Assistive Technology Conference and Expo; and commending GSAT for its continued efforts in delivering vital services to individuals with disabilities and their families.	2/22/24 2:53 p.m.	4/5/24 2:30 p.m.	2/22/24					

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WHEREAS, the movement to provide technology-related assistance to individuals with disabilities began known as the Technology-Related Assistance for Individuals with Disabilities Act of 1988, U.S. Public Law 100-407, amended in 1994 through U.S. Public Law 103-218. Congress later enacted the Assistive Technology Act of 1998 ("AT Act") as amended by U.S. Public Law 108-364 in 2004, which provided the much-needed funding for the grants; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the "AT Act" serves to provide financial assistance to states and territories to commence activities that help in upholding and strengthening a long-lasting comprehensive state-wide program of technology-related assistance for all individuals with disabilities and in all environments; and

WHEREAS, the University of Guam Center for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities Education, Research, and Services (Guam CEDDERS), looking to create a resilient foundation for the growth of a comprehensive state-wide program of technology-related assistance for individuals with disabilities within our island, established the Guam System for Assistive Technology (GSAT) project in 1994, after the United States Department of Education approved a three (3) year development grant; and

WHEREAS, the GSAT General Membership Council is comprised of thirteen (13) active members, including individuals with disabilities, parents, and family members, who are selected from among their peers, non-profit service providers, advocacy organizations, and Government of Guam representatives; and

WHEREAS, GSAT has continuously served individuals through training device demonstrations, public awareness activities, technical assistance to public and private agencies, short-term device loans, and reutilization efforts, and finance assistive technology devices and help individuals with disabilities become self-employed through the Akudi Loan Program; and

WHEREAS, the Thirtieth (30th) Annual GSAT Conference theme published by the Guam CEDDERS is "Assistive Technology: Empowering Our Island with Limitless Possibilities," by utilizing assistive Technology, individuals with disabilities on Guam can enhance their independence, quality of life, and success. Assistive Technology encompasses various devices, tools, and Technology to support individuals in performing everyday tasks, accessing information, communicating effectively, and participating in multiple aspects of life. By leveraging assistive Technology and services, the possibilities for engagement, productivity, educational attainment, employment, social inclusion, and overall well-being for Guam residents with disabilities become boundless. GSAT, along with the Tri-Agency partners Guam Center for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities, Education, Research, and Service; Guam Legal Services Corporation-Disability Law Center; and Guam Developmental Disabilities Council, promotes inclusivity and accessibility, highlighting the importance of integrating assistive Technology into society to ensure individuals with disabilities have equal access to opportunities and resources; and

WHEREAS, GSAT has promoted the use of assistive Technology throughout the community, and it is evident the positive effects of assistive Technology have added to improve the quality of life for individuals with disabilities; now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that I Mina'trentai Siette Na Liheslaturan Guáhan does hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, recognize the Guam System for Assistive Technology (GSAT) on its Thirtieth (30th) Annual Assistive Technology Conference and Expo; and commend GSAT for its continued efforts in delivering vital services to individuals with disabilities and their families; 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 University of Guam Center for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities (CEDDERS); University of Guam Board of Regents; University of Guam President Anita Borja Enriquez, DBA; and to the Honorable Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero, I Maga'hágan Guáhan.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY I MINA'TRENTAI SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN ON THE 22ND DAY OF FEBRUARY 2024.

THERESE M. TERLAJE
Speaker

AMANDA L. SHELTON
Legislative Secretary



Handwritten notes in blue ink:
GARY MONTISON
3/8/24
10:32 AM

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ROY A. B. QUINATA

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Committee on Infrastructure, Economic Development, Simon Sanchez High School, Disabilities Services,
Self-Determination and Historic Preservation, Housing, Public Accountability, and the Guam Buildup

March 13, 2024

MEMORANDUM

To: All Members of *I Mina'trentai Siette Na Liheslaturan Guåhan*

From: Senator Roy A. B. Quinata 

Subject: Notice of Presentation - Resolution No. 326-37 (LS)

Buenas yan Håfa Adai!

Please join me in presenting Resolution No. 326-37 (COR) - "Relative to recognizing the Guam System for Assistive Technology (GSAT) on its Thirtieth (30th) Annual Assistive Technology Conference and Expo; and commending GSAT for its continued efforts in delivering vital services to individuals with disabilities and their families."

The presentation will occur on Friday, April 5, 2024, at 2:30 P.M., at the Westin Resort Guam Somnak Ballroom.

I look forward to your attendance and participation.

Si Yu'os Ma'åse'