

**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
329-37 (COR)	Roy A. B. Quinata	Relative to recognizing the Guam Developmental Disabilities Council (GDCC), the University of Guam Center for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities Education, Research and Services (UOG CEDDERS), the Guam Legal Services Corporation-Disability Law Center (GLSC-DLC), and various groups and individuals during "Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month," for their support and dedication to the advocacy of individuals with developmental disabilities.	2/26/24 10:55 a.m.	3/14/24 11:30 a.m.	3/7/24 10:34 a.m.					

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Introduced by:

Roy A. B. Quinata

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

WHEREAS, in 1987, President Ronald Reagan issued a public proclamation that March would be recognized as "Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month" to "increase public awareness of the needs and potential of Americans with disabilities." According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, approximately one (1) in six (6) children have a developmental disability, which is considered an impairment in physical, learning, language, or behavior areas. "Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month" is a time to educate the community about the needs of individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities, as well as reflect on the progress made towards improving the quality of life for those individuals and their families; and

WHEREAS, "Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month" highlights that people with disabilities have a valuable role to play in the communities in which they live. Their involvement builds personal connections, helps to dispel misconceptions about people living with developmental disabilities, and enables them to contribute back to their community as civic volunteers and partners. Using person-centered, community-centered, and purposeful learning approaches, which are not currently part of the field of developmental disabilities, helps lead to systemic change in the civic engagement process at the local level and creates an environment that is more inclusive and accepting of our developmental disability population; and

WHEREAS, "Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month" promotes awareness and understanding of the opportunities, challenges, and needs of persons with developmental disabilities, and it recognizes Guam's public policy accomplishments concerning individuals with developmental disabilities. "Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month" also identifies the improvements to public policy needed to ensure that Guam's citizens with developmental disabilities can lead complete, productive, and engaged lives. People with and without developmental disabilities come together to form our strong island community, and we must all continue to raise awareness about the inclusion of people with developmental disabilities in all facets of community life; and

WHEREAS, across all states and territories of the United States of America, Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month celebrates people with developmental disabilities and their families by working together to remove obstacles. Adopting the 2024 theme, "A World of Opportunities," the goal is to build a community committed to fostering a world in which everyone can do well, have the chance to thrive, and succeed; and

WHEREAS, a developmental disability is defined in the Developmental Disabilities Assistance and Bill of Rights Act as, in general, a severe, chronic disability of an individual that is attributable to mental or physical impairment or a combination of psychological and physical impairments that manifests itself before the individual attains the age of twenty-two (22), and is likely to continue indefinitely; and

WHEREAS, The Developmental Disabilities Assistance Bill of Rights Act authorized the establishment of the Developmental Disabilities Planning Councils in states and territories, along with Protection and Advocacy organizations, University Centers for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities (UCEDD); and

WHEREAS, Guam Legal Services Corporation Disability Law Center (GLSC-DLC) acts as the Protection and Advocacy organization and is composed of a variety of programs and services designed to protect the rights of and advocate for improved services and support for individuals with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, the University of Guam Center for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities Education, Research, and Service (UOG CEDDERS) acts as Guam's UCEDD, with a mission to create pathways to enhance, improve, and support the quality of life of individuals with developmental disabilities and their families. UOG CEDDERS strives to provide community support, services, training and technical assistance, research, and dissemination; and

WHEREAS, the Guam Developmental Disabilities Council (GDDC) is an organization composed of individuals with developmental disabilities, family members of individuals with developmental disabilities, and service provider representatives. GDDC is involved in advocating for programs that promote positive system changes that allow individuals with developmental disabilities to achieve optimum independence and encourage innovative programs and practices that improve the quality of life for these individuals. The GDDC encourages all Guamanians to actively participate in events that appropriately recognize and celebrate Guam's culturally diverse population, including individuals with developmental disabilities; now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Committee on Rules of I Mina'trentai Siette Na Liheslaturan Guahan does hereby on behalf I Liheslaturan Guahan and the people of Guam, recognize the Guam Developmental Disabilities Council (GDDC), the University of Guam Center for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities Education, Research and Services (UOG CEDDERS), the Guam Legal Services Corporation-Disability Law Center (GLSC-DLC), and various groups and individuals during "Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month," for their support and dedication to the advocacy of individuals with developmental disabilities; 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 Developmental Disabilities Council (GDDC); to the University of Guam Center for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities Education, Research and Services (UOG CEDDERS); to the Guam Legal Services Corporation-Disability Law Center (GLSC-DLC); and to the Honorable Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero, I Maga'haqan Guahan.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF I MINA'TRENTAI SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN GUAHAN ON THE 7<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF MARCH 2024.

TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES  
Acting Speaker

CHRIS BARNETT  
Chairperson, Committee on Rules

AMANDA L. SHELTON  
Legislative Secretary



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

**Resolution No. 329-37 (COR)**

Introduced by:

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13 engagement process at the local level and creates an environment that is more inclusive  
14 and accepting of our developmental disability population; and

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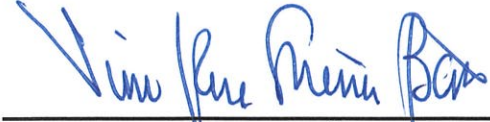


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2 diverse population, including individuals with developmental disabilities; now  
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Chairperson, Committee on Rules

  
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**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. 329-37 (COR) - Roy A. B. Quinata. - "Relative to recognizing the Guam Developmental Disabilities Council (GDDC), the University of Guam Center for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities Education, Research and Services (UOG CEDDERS), the Guam Legal Services Corporation-Disability Law Center (GLSC-DLC), and various groups and individuals during "Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month," for their support and dedication to the advocacy of individuals with developmental disabilities."

	INITIAL	DATE	TO ADOPT	TO NOT ADOPT	TO ABSTAIN
<b>Senator Chris Barnett</b> Chairperson					
<b>Senator Sabina Flores Perez</b> Vice Chairperson	EVOTE	3/27/24	✓		
<b>Speaker Therese M. Terlaje</b> Member					
<b>Vice Speaker Tina Rose Muña Barnes</b> Member					
<b>Legislative Secretary Amanda L. Shelton</b> Member	EVOTE	3/27/24	✓		
<b>Senator William A. Parkinson</b> Member	EVOTE	3/27/24	✓		
<b>Senator Roy A. B. Quinata</b> Member		3/27/24	✓		
<b>Senator Joe S. San Agustin</b> Member	EVOTE	3/28/24	✓		
<b>Senator Dwayne T. D. San Nicolas</b> Member	EVOTE	3/28/24	✓		
<b>Senator Joanne Brown</b> Minority Member	EVOTE	3/28/24	✓		
<b>Senator Christopher M. Dueñas</b> Minority Member	EVOTE	3/27/24	✓		
<b>Senator Thomas J. Fisher</b> Minority Member					
<b>Senator Telo T. Taitague</b> Minority Member	EVOTE	3/27/24	✓		

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Sponsor Signature:



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Name: Donavn-ray Mantanona

Date: March 7, 2024 at 10:34 a.m.

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# ROY A. B. QUINATA

*I Mina' trentai Siette na Liheslaturan Guåhan* | 37th Guam Legislature  
Committee on Infrastructure, Economic Development, Simon Sanchez High School, Disabilities Services,  
Self-Determination and Historic Preservation, Housing, Public Accountability, and the Guam Buildup

March 6, 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. 329-37 (COR)**

*Buenas yan Håfa Adai!*

Please join me in presenting Resolution No. 329-37 (COR) - "Relative to recognizing the Guam Developmental Disabilities Council (GDDC), the University of Guam Center for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities Education, Research and Services (UOG CEDDERS), the Guam Legal Services Corporation-Disability Law Center (GLSC-DLC), and various groups and individuals during 'Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month,' for their support and dedication to the advocacy of individuals with developmental disabilities."

The presentation will occur on Thursday, March 14, 2024, at 11:30 A.M., at the Public Hearing Room, Guam Congress Building.

I look forward to your attendance and participation.

*Si Yu'os Ma'åse'*