

**I MINA'TRENTAI SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN  
RESOLUTIONS**

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**2024 (SECOND) Regular Session**

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**Relative to recognizing Naomi Ezra for serving the people of Guam and strengthening healthy relationships in our island community; and congratulating her as the recipient of the “2024 National Association of Social Work (NASW) Guam Chapter Social Work Student of the Year Award.”**

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

3 **WHEREAS,** the “Social Work Student of the Year Nominee Award” honors a  
4 social work student who exemplifies the best NASW Guam Chapter’s mission through  
5 specific academic accomplishments; and in honoring the Social Work Student of the  
6 Year, the Chapter highlights superb accomplishments exemplified by the nominee  
7 through their career; and

1           **WHEREAS**, the “2024 NASW Guam Chapter Social Work Student of the Year”  
2 is Naomi Ezra, who is an exemplary Social Work student and a devoted solo parent,  
3 pouring boundless love into her three precious children; and

4           **WHEREAS**, Naomi has consistently been a full-time student, a dedicated  
5 employee, and an exceptional individual who excels in all her endeavors, and she not  
6 only excels in her studies but also makes a significant impact in her workplace and  
7 practicum setting; and

8           **WHEREAS**, people gravitate toward Naomi because they know she will be there  
9 when needed and her reliability and approachability make her a valuable asset in any  
10 environment. Her brilliant mind and fervent dedication to social work radiates through  
11 in her daily endeavors; and

12           **WHEREAS**, as the Vice President of the Social Work Student Alliance, she  
13 serves as an inspiring leader, motivating and empowering those around her; and

14           **WHEREAS**, Naomi currently works as a shelter worker at Alee Shelter -  
15 Catholic Social Service an emergency receiving home for victims of abuse and/or  
16 neglect; and

17           **WHEREAS**, prior to attaining her current position, she had worked in different  
18 capacities as an Independent Living Mentor at *Guma' Mami* a non-profit community-  
19 based organization dedicated to providing support and services to individuals with  
20 disabilities on Guam; a Teacher's Assistant at Astumbo Elementary School supporting  
21 educators and enhancing the learning experience for students; and as a One-to-One Aide  
22 at C.L. Taitano Elementary School providing individualized support and assistance to  
23 individuals with special needs; and

24           **WHEREAS**, a shared thread among various job positions that Naomi has held is  
25 the deep commitment to assisting others, whether it's supporting individuals, families,  
26 or communities, social workers are driven by a genuine desire to improve lives, address  
27 challenges, and advocate for overall well-being; and

1           **WHEREAS**, alongside Naomi’s remarkable work ethic, she holds certifications  
2 as a CPR Healthcare Provider, Community Health Care Worker, and a Peer Supporter  
3 complemented by her training in SafeTalk and expertise in Crisis Prevention  
4 Intervention; and

5           **WHEREAS**, Naomi embodies resourcefulness, self-motivation, and a deep  
6 commitment to community well-being and her inspiring dedication leaves a lasting  
7 impression on everyone she encounters; her example motivates others to be better and  
8 actively participate in community betterment; and

9           **WHEREAS**, she aspires to establish her own organization dedicated to assisting  
10 those who have suffered from family and sexual violence; and

11           **WHEREAS**, she perseveres through difficulties in her pursuit of doing good and  
12 in the grand scheme of things, she sacrifices her precious time at home, bears the  
13 financial burden of pursuing her education, and even forfeits sleep, all to ensure her  
14 own well-being and that of her family. Her role extends beyond mere financial support;  
15 she is the sole caretaker for her family, including her ailing sister and her children.  
16 Naomi’s dedication and selflessness are commendable, and she plays a vital role in their  
17 lives; and

18           **WHEREAS**, she has faced immense trials, yet her spirit remains unyielding,  
19 radiating positivity and empathy, her strength and compassion are truly inspiring. The  
20 positive impact of her daring career choices extends far beyond herself. It reaches  
21 everyone she interacts with, her children, friends, family, making her dreams a source  
22 of inspiration and benefit for all; and

23           **WHEREAS**, Naomi proficiently navigates communication, fosters teamwork,  
24 demonstrates empathy and compassion, and exhibits remarkable competence. These  
25 essential skills make her a prime candidate for the prestigious “2024 NASW Social  
26 Work Student of the Year” award; now therefore, be it

1           **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina'trentai Siette Na*  
2 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, recognize Naomi  
3 Ezra for serving the people of Guam and strengthening healthy relationships in our  
4 island community; and congratulating her as the recipient of the “2024 National  
5 Association of Social Work (NASW) Guam Chapter Social Work Student of the Year  
6 Award”; and be it further

7           **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules  
8 certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of  
9 the same be thereafter transmitted to Naomi Ezra; to the National Association of Social  
10 Workers (NASW) Guam Chapter; and to the Honorable Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero, *I*  
11 *Maga'hågan Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF  
I MINA'TRENTAI SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE           DAY  
OF MARCH 2024.**