

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

Resolution No.	Sponsor	Title	Date Intro	Date of Presentation	Date Adopted	Date Referred	Referred to	PUBLIC HEARING DATE	DATE AUTHORS REPORT FILED	NOTES
368-37 (COR)	Tina Rose Muña Barnes	Relative to recognizing the observance of “ <i>National Library Week</i> ” during the week of April 7 to April 13, 2024, with this year’s theme: “ <i>Ready, Set, Library</i> ”; and commending all the library workers, volunteers, and patrons for their dedication in supporting our libraries.	4/4/24 9:15 a.m.	4/12/24 2:30 p.m.	4/11/24 9:10 a.m.					

Resolution No. 368-37 (COR)

Introduced by:

Tina Rose Maria Barnes

Chris Barnett	Sabina Flores Perez
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Jesse A. Lujan	Telo T. Tanguay
William A. Parkinson	Therese M. Terlaji



Relative to recognizing the observance of "National Library Week" during the week of April 7 to April 13, 2024, with this year's theme: "Ready, Set, Library"; and commending all the library workers, volunteers, and patrons for their dedication in supporting our libraries.

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

WHEREAS, "National Library Week," which is observed during the week of April 7 to April 13, 2024, provides an opportunity to celebrate the vital role of libraries across the United States, including Guam, in promoting literacy, lifelong learning, and community engagement; and

WHEREAS, the theme for "National Library Week 2024" is "Ready, Set, Library," which illustrates the idea that libraries give a green light to something truly special, whether it be a place to connect with others, learn new skills, or focus on things that matters most to patrons, according to the American Library Association (ALA); and the theme also emphasizes the unique and essential role of libraries in our modern technology-driven society, serving as inclusive spaces for connection, skill development, and personal enrichment; and

WHEREAS, "National Library Week" events, including the "Right to Read Day," the "National Library Workers Day," the "National Library Outreach Day," and the "Take Action for Libraries Day," highlight the diverse contributions of library workers and patrons and the importance of library advocacy in our communities; and

WHEREAS, the annual release of the "State of America's Libraries Report" by the ALA, along with the announcement of the "Top Ten Most Challenged Books," underscores the ongoing commitment of libraries to intellectual freedom and access to information; and

WHEREAS, Guam's public libraries hold a special place in the hearts of the people of Guam, with its humble beginnings dating back to August 23, 1947, when a memorandum from the Office of Civil Administrator, Captain H.M. Anderson, to the U.S. Navy Welfare and Recreation Service initiated the establishment of a library in a "Temporary" building, a double Quonset hut near the *Agaña Azotea*, with a stack of donated, used books from local volunteers, teachers, associations, and others; and

WHEREAS, the Nieves M. Flores Memorial Library formally opened its doors on February 1, 1949 to serve a community of fifty-eight thousand (58,000) with two hundred seventy-two (272) registered patrons; and the library was named in honor of Nieves M. Flores, a Philippine migrant who contributed significantly to Guam's educational landscape through his work as a surveyor and founder of the Guam Institute (Children's Elementary School); and

WHEREAS, the Guam Public Library System operates branch libraries in the villages of *Hågat*, *Dededo*, *Barrigada*, *Malesso*, and *Yona*; and in 1953, it had operated a bookmobile; and the branch libraries and bookmobile played an integral role in serving their respective communities, extending the reach of library services and fostering a culture of learning and literacy; and

WHEREAS, on September 4, 2002, the *Hågat* Branch Library was renamed in honor of Maria Rivera Aguiqui, a forty (40) year educator who served in the villages of *Hågat* and *Sumay*. On December 23, 2008, the *Malesso* Public Library was renamed in honor of Rosa Aguiqui Reyes, who was a pioneer in Politics and Education, and who had a long career serving in Education starting in 1933; and she was the first woman elected to serve in the Guam Congress in 1946; and

WHEREAS, the first "National Library Week" was proclaimed by President Dwight D. Eisenhower on March 15, 1958, to be celebrated during the week of March 16 to March 22, 1958. Now, "National Library Week" is celebrated during the second week of April; and the history of "National Library Week," which is observed in libraries across the nation, reflects a longstanding dedication to promoting reading, education, and strong community bonds; now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina'trentai Siette Na Liheslaturan Guahan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guahan* and the people of Guam, recognize the observance of "National Library Week" during the week of April 7 to April 13, 2024, with this year's theme: "Ready, Set, Library"; and commend all the library workers, volunteers, and patrons for their dedication in supporting our libraries; 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 Krishnan Seerengan, Director of the Guam Public Library System; Nolan Flores, Chairman of the Guam Public Library System Board of Directors; and to the Honorable Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero, *I Maga'nhågan Guahan*.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF *I MINA'TRENTAI SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN GUAHAN* ON THE 11TH DAY OF APRIL 2024.


THERESE M. TERLAJE
Speaker


CHRIS BARNETT
Chairperson, Committee on Rules


AMANDA L. SHELTON
Legislative Secretary



Alan Espada 4/12/24 @ 16:12 am

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

Resolution No. 368-37 (COR)

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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

Resolution No. 368-37 (COR) – Tina Rose Muña Barnes. – “Relative to recognizing the observance of ‘National Library Week’ during the week of April 7 to April 13, 2024, with this year’s theme: ‘Ready, Set, Library’; and commending all the library workers, volunteers, and patrons for their dedication in supporting our libraries.”

	INITIAL	DATE	TO ADOPT	TO NOT ADOPT	TO ABSTAIN
Senator Chris Barnett Chairperson					
Senator Sabina Flores Perez Vice Chairperson					
Speaker Therese M. Terlaje Member					
Vice Speaker Tina Rose Muña Barnes Member		04/09/24	✓		
Legislative Secretary Amanda L. Shelton Member	e-vote	04/09/24	✓		
Senator William A. Parkinson Member	e-vote	04/09/24	✓		
Senator Roy A. B. Quinata Member	e-vote	04/10/24	✓		
Senator Joe S. San Agustin Member	e-vote	04/09/24	✓		
Senator Dwayne T. D. San Nicolas Member	e-vote	04/09/24	✓		
Senator Joanne Brown Minority Member	e-vote	04/09/24	✓		
Senator Christopher M. Dueñas Minority Member	e-vote	04/09/24	✓		
Senator Thomas J. Fisher Minority Member					
Senator Telo T. Taitague Minority Member	e-vote	04/09/24	✓		
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Sponsor Signature:					
Staff Contact Person: Alan Cepeda					
For COR/Clerk’s Office Use Only					
___ 9 ___ Certified ___ Returned					
Name: Zada Hernandez					
Date: April 11, 2024 at 9:10 a.m.					
Notes:					



Office of the Vice Speaker

TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES

I Mina'trentai Siette Na Liheslaturan Guåhan

37th Guam Legislature

April 11, 2024

MEMORANDUM

To: All Senators
37th Guam Legislature

From: Vice Speaker Tina Rose Muña Barnes

Subject: Presentation of Resolution No. 368-37 (COR)

Buenas yan Håfa Adai!

Please join me in presenting **Resolution No. 368-37 (COR) – Tina Rose Muña Barnes**. – “Relative to recognizing the observance of ‘*National Library Week*’ during the week of April 7 to April 13, 2024, with this year’s theme: ‘*Ready, Set, Library*’; and commending all the library workers, volunteers, and patrons for their dedication in supporting our libraries.”

Presentation will be held in the Guam Legislature’s Public Hearing Room on April 12, 2024 at 2:30PM.

Si Yu’os Ma’åse’!