

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
400-37 (COR)	Therese M. Terlaje Sabina Flores Perez Chris Barnett Jesse A. Lujan Frank Blas, Jr. Joanne M. Brown Tina Rose Muña Barnes Christopher M. Dueñas William A. Parkinson Roy A. B. Quinata Joe S. San Agustin Dwayne T.D. San Nicolas Amanda L. Shelton Telo T. Taitague	Relative to recognizing the observance of "National Hospital Week" from May 12 to May 18, 2024, and "National Hospital Day" on May 12; and commending the Guam Memorial Hospital Authority (GMHA), the Guam Regional Medical City (GRMC), and the U.S. Naval Hospital (USNH) Guam for their dedication to providing quality healthcare to the people of Guam.	5/13/24 8:00 a.m.	5/13/24 10:00 a.m.	5/13/24 9:08 a.m.					

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Introduced by:

- Therese M. Terlaje
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BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF I MINA'TRENTAI SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN:

WHEREAS, Guam joins the nation in recognizing "National Hospital Week" from May 12 to May 18, 2024, and the observance of "National Hospital Day" on May 12, 2024; and

WHEREAS, "National Hospital Week" is a time to recognize hospitals, health systems, and healthcare workers who support the needs of their community; and WHEREAS, founded in 1977, the Guam Memorial Hospital Authority (GMHA) emerged as a pivotal public corporation. However, its origins trace back to 1964 when the Guam Memorial Hospital (GMH) operated as a line agency within the executive branch of the government of Guam. This organizational bifurcation facilitated the delineation between hospital administration and community health services administered by the Department of Public Health and Welfare; and

WHEREAS, throughout its existence, GMHA has steadfastly served the residents of Guam as a governmental, nonprofit entity overseen by a nine (9)-member Board of Trustees. This governance structure ensures the hospital's commitment to its mission of delivering essential healthcare services to the community remains unwavering; and

WHEREAS, GMHA currently has a licensed bed capacity of one hundred fifty-eight (158) acute care beds, plus forty (40) licensed long-term care beds at its off-site Skilled Nursing Facility. In addition, GMHA is certified by the Centers for Medicaid and Medicare Services (CMS), College for American Pathologists (CAP), and Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments (CLIA); and

WHEREAS, a civilian maternal and child health hospital, GMHA also offers our community a wide array of services such as Cardiology, Radiology/Interventional Radiology, Pulmonary, General Surgery, Pediatrics/PICU, Rehabilitative Therapy and in-patient hemodialysis; and

WHEREAS, GMHA embodies the island's unique spirit of *ingá mañalek*, forging collaborative partnerships with community entities like the Guam Regional Medical City (GRMC) and the U.S. Naval Hospital (USNH) Guam. Together, they are dedicated to providing compassionate and quality healthcare services to the people of Guam; and

WHEREAS, in July 2015, GRMC in Dededo, a one hundred thirty-nine (139)-bed acute care hospital, holds the distinction of being Guam's premier private hospital and reportedly the first Philippine-owned hospital on Guam; and

WHEREAS, dedicated to delivering world-class medical services, GRMC serves not only the residents of Guam but also extends its care to individuals from the Federated States of Micronesia (FSM), the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI), Palau, and the Marshall Islands. Their comprehensive services encompass emergency care, neonatal intensive care, and specialized treatments in cardiac care, stroke care, comprehensive cancer care, diabetes management; and

WHEREAS, at the heart of GRMC's mission is the belief that "Patients Are Partners" in their healthcare journey, embodying a collaborative approach to wellness; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Naval Hospital (USNH) Guam officially opened its new facility to patients on April 21, 2014, marking the beginning of a new era in healthcare provision on the island. Situated in *Aguana Hagibti*, this innovative facility replaced the antiquated hospital established in 1954. Operating at the forefront of medical advancements, the hospital fulfills a pivotal role in delivering healthcare and ensuring medical force readiness across the Western Pacific region; and

WHEREAS, with a dedicated team comprising of five hundred sixteen (516) Active Duty personnel and two hundred one (201) civilians, contractors, reservists, and volunteers, the hospital caters to the healthcare needs of over twenty-six thousand (26,000) beneficiaries. Offering a comprehensive array of medical services ranging from family practice and OB-GYN to pediatrics, general surgery, and emergency medicine; and

WHEREAS, beyond its clinical endeavors, USNH actively engages with the local community through many initiatives and volunteer service hours. As an integral island partner, the hospital demonstrates unwavering commitment to enhancing the well-being of Guam's residents and fostering a healthier, more resilient community; and

WHEREAS, the collaboration between Guam Memorial Hospital Authority (GMHA), Guam Regional Medical City (GRMC), and the U.S. Naval Hospital (USNH) Guam stands as a testament to the collective commitment to enhancing the healthcare landscape of our island community, ensuring access to high-quality medical services, and fostering a culture of collaboration and excellence in healthcare provision; 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 Hospital Week" from May 12 to May 18, 2024, and "National Hospital Day" on May 12; and commend the Guam Memorial Hospital Authority (GMHA), the Guam Regional Medical City (GRMC), and the U.S. Naval Hospital (USNH) Guam for their dedication to providing quality healthcare to the people of Guam; 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 Guam Memorial Hospital Authority Administrator and CEO, Lillian Posadas; Guam Regional Medical City Chief Executive Officer, Dr. Alexander "Beau" Wichaard; U.S. Naval Hospital (USNH) Guam Captain David Barrows, Commanding Officer; and to the Honorable Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero, *I Maq'lagan Guahan*.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF I MINA'TRENTAI SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN ON THE 13TH DAY OF MAY 2024.

Therese M. Terlaje
THERESE M. TERLAJE
Speaker

Chris Barnett
CHRIS BARNETT
Chairperson, Committee on Rules

Amanda L. Shelton
AMANDA L. SHELTON
Legislative Secretary



Maria Abante
MARIA ABANTE
5/13/24 9:45

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

Resolution No. 400-37 (COR)

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- 1 Barrows, Commanding Officer; and to the Honorable Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero, I
- 2 *Maga'hågan Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF
I MINA'TRENTAI SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE 13TH DAY
OF MAY 2024.**



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

37th Guam Legislature

COMMITTEE VOTE SHEET

Resolution No. 400-37 (COR) – Therese M. Terlaje, Sabina Flores Perez, Chris Barnett, Jesse A. Lujan, Frank Blas, Jr., Joanne M. Brown, Tina Rose Muña Barnes, Christopher M. Dueñas, William A. Parkinson, Roy A. B. Quinata, Joe S. San Agustin, Dwayne T.D. San Nicolas, Amanda L. Shelton, Telo T. Taitague. – “Relative to recognizing the observance of ‘National Hospital Week’ from May 12 to May 18, 2024, and ‘National Hospital Day’ on May 12; and commending the Guam Memorial Hospital Authority (GMHA), the Guam Regional Medical City (GRMC), and the U.S. Naval Hospital (USNH) Guam for their dedication to providing quality healthcare to the people of Guam.”

	INITIAL	DATE	TO ADOPT	TO NOT ADOPT	TO ABSTAIN
Senator Chris Barnett Chairperson	E-Vote	5/13/24	X		
Senator Sabina Flores Perez Vice Chairperson	E-Vote	5/13/24	X		
Speaker Therese M. Terlaje Member	<i>TMT</i>	5/13/24	X		
Vice Speaker Tina Rose Muña Barnes Member	E-Vote	5/13/24	X		
Legislative Secretary Amanda L. Shelton Member	E-Vote	5/13/24	X		
Senator William A. Parkinson Member	E-Vote	5/13/24	X		
Senator Roy A. B. Quinata Member	E-Vote	5/13/24	X		
Senator Joe S. San Agustin Member	E-Vote	5/13/24	X		
Senator Dwayne T. D. San Nicolas Member	E-Vote	5/13/24	X		
Senator Joanne M. Brown Minority Member					
Senator Christopher M. Dueñas Minority Member					
Senator Thomas J. Fisher Minority Member					
Senator Telo T. Taitague Minority Member					
For Sponsor's Office Use Only					
Sponsor Signature: <i>Therese M. Terlaje</i>					
Staff Contact Person: MARIE CRUZ					
For COR/Clerk's Office Use Only					
9 Certified _____ Returned _____					
Name: Joaquin 'Quin' P. Taitague					
Date: May 13, 2024 at 9:08 a.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

May 13, 2024

MEMORANDUM

To: All Senators, Stakeholders

From: Speaker Therese M. Terlaje *TMT*

Subject: **Notice of Presentation - Resolution No. 400-37 (COR)**

Buenas yan Håfa Adai!

Please join us for the presentation of **Resolution No. 400-37 (COR)** - “Relative to recognizing the observance of “National Hospital Week” from May 12 to May 18, 2024, and “National Hospital Day” on May 12; and commending the Guam Memorial Hospital Authority (GMHA), the Guam Regional Medical City (GRMC), and the U.S. Naval Hospital (USNH) Guam for their dedication to providing quality healthcare to the people of Guam.”

Resolution No. 400-37 (COR) will be presented on **Monday, May 13, 2024, at 10:00 a.m., at U.S. Naval Hospital Guam, 50 Farenholt Avenue, Agana Heights.**

We look forward to your participation.

Please Note that the Committee on Rules has waived the 24-Hour Notice of Presentation.

Si Yu'os Ma'åse'!

***Please note that guests without base access require a visitor's pass.**

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