

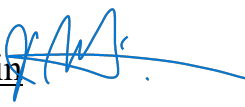
I MINA'TRENTAI OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN
RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No.	Sponsor	Title	Date Intro	Date of Presentation	Date Adopted	Date Referred	Referred to	PUBLIC HEARING DATE	DATE AUTHORS REPORT FILED	NOTES
198-38 (COR)	Joe S. San Agustin	Relative to Relative to recognizing the Guam-CNMI Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve (ESGR) State Committee for their hard work in the development and promotion of employer support for the service members of the National Guard and Reserve; and congratulating them as they celebrate ESGR Week from August 3-7, 2026 with the theme: "Partners in Purpose: Advancing Support for the Guard and Reserve."	6/25/26 8:30 a.m.	8/3/26 11:00 a.m.						

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2026 (SECOND) Regular Session

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Introduced by:

Joe S. San Agustin 

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

WHEREAS, the vision of Employer Support of the Guard Reserve (ESGR) is to develop and promote a culture in which all American employers support and value the military service of their employees. The ESGR continues to be the principal advocate for the U.S Department of Defense; and

WHEREAS, over one million of our fellow citizen-service members continue to serve and maintain constant vigilance in order to protect our freedom and the American way of life. Standing tall amongst our military members are our nations National Guard and Reserve forces which are comprised of men and women who continue to serve with great distinction; and

WHEREAS, our National Guard and our Reservist continue to serve on active duty on every front of the Overseas Contingency Operations. They are also a constant

1 presence in our community, as they work hard to serve our island and the nation to
2 uphold the very values in which the American way of life was created by our forefather;
3 and

4 **WHEREAS**, the Guam-CNMI State Committee for the Employer Support of the
5 Guard and Reserve through its volunteers, provides support and assistance to service
6 members so that they can focus on their military mission without worrying and their
7 civilian jobs; and

8 **WHEREAS**, some of the ESGR's objectives are: to gain and maintain support
9 from the employers of the National Guard and Reserve service members; to educate
10 them on their legal responsibilities to these men and women in the National Guard and
11 Reserve; and to continue to refine the ESGR has worked closely with private and public
12 entities to build relationships and provide support for their employees who serve in the
13 National Guard and Reserve; and

14 **WHEREAS**, the people of Guam and the CNMI are grateful to many employers
15 for their support of the Guard and the Reserve service members who continue to reflect
16 the highest standards of professionalism and honor. The Employer Support Freedom
17 Award, which is the highest recognition given by the Department of Defense, is
18 presented to employers of their exceptional support of the National Guard and Reserve
19 members. The Freedom Award began in 1996 under the auspices of ESGR to recognize
20 exceptional employer support, with only three hundred and ten (310); honorees to date.
21 Additionally, the Guam-CNMI ESGR state Committee presented the Patriot Award, the
22 first of ESGR awards given to outstanding supervisors for their support of their service
23 member employees in the National Guard and the Reserve. They are nominated for the
24 award by an employee serving in the National Guard and Reserve, or the spouse of a
25 Guard or Reserve member; and

26 **WHEREAS**, throughout the years and to the present ESGR has presented awards
27 to numerous employers in the private and public sectors in Guam and the CNMI. The
28 support from these employers continues to symbol the appreciation for our service men
29 and women; and

1 **WHEREAS**, on Guam August 3rd through August 7th 30 commence, as
2 Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve Week. Throughout ESGR week the
3 committee will host various events to recognize support from dedicated employers and
4 plays a major role in upholding goodwill and service for others, as well as our nation’s
5 security; now therefore, be it;

6 **RESOLVED**, that *I Mina'trentai Ocho Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on
7 behalf of the people of Guam, recognize the Guam-CNMI Employer Support of the
8 Guard and Reserve (ESGR) State Committee for their hard work in the development
9 and promotion of employer support for the service members of the National Guard and
10 Reserve; and congratulating them as they celebrate ESGR Week from August 3-7, 2026
11 with the theme: “Partners in the Purpose: Advancing Support for the Guard and
12 Reserve”; and be it further

13 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and Chairperson of the Committee on Rules
14 certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of
15 the same be thereafter transmitted to ESGR Guam-CNMI State Chair, Cathy C. Gogue;
16 ESGR Guam-CNMI Vice Chair retired Major General Benny Paulino; Guam Army
17 National Guard; Guam Air National Guard; U.S. Army Reserve; U.S. Air Force
18 Reserve; U.S. Navy Reserve; U.S. Coast Guard Reserve ; and to the Honorable Lourdes
19 A. Leon Guerrero, *I Maga'hågan Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF
I MINA'TRENTAI OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE ____ DAY
OF _____ 2026.**

Frank F. Blas, Jr.
Speaker

V. Anthony Ada
Chairperson, Committee on Rules

Sabrina Salas-Matanane
Legislative Secretary