

I MINA'TRENTAI OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN
RESOLUTIONS

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Relative to expressing support for the “Guam Consultation Act,” to establish a permanent statutory framework for regular consultation between the Government of Guam and the Federal Government and to ensure Guam has a permanent seat at the table before major federal decisions affecting the island are made.

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

WHEREAS, the relationship between Guam and the United States is established under the Organic Act of Guam, which serves as the foundation of Guam’s civil government and its political relationship with the Federal Government; and

WHEREAS, decisions made by the Federal Government have significant and lasting effects on the people of Guam, including matters relating to economic development, federal programs and funding, national defense, military expansion, land use, immigration, infrastructure, healthcare, education, transportation, environmental stewardship, customs and trade policy, and other matters unique to Guam as an unincorporated territory of the United States; and

WHEREAS, Guam’s strategic importance to the United States has grown significantly in recent years, resulting in unprecedented federal investment, national

1 security initiatives, and federal policy decisions that increasingly shape the island's
2 future; and

3 **WHEREAS**, recent federal legislative, regulatory, and administrative actions
4 affecting Guam have demonstrated that decisions made in Washington increasingly
5 have immediate and lasting consequences for our island, reinforcing the need for
6 Guam's elected leaders to have a meaningful role in the federal decision-making
7 process before – not after – those decisions are made; and

8 **WHEREAS**, unlike the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, which
9 has long benefited from a federally recognized consultation process under Section 902
10 of its Covenant with the United States, Guam currently has no comparable statutory
11 mechanism requiring regular consultation between the Government of Guam and the
12 Federal Government despite the increasing number of federal decisions uniquely
13 affecting the island; and

14 **WHEREAS**, meaningful consultation is essential to ensuring that Guam's
15 unique circumstances, responsibilities, priorities, and perspectives are fully understood
16 and considered in federal policymaking, and that Guam has a permanent seat at the table
17 whenever decisions affecting the island's future are under consideration; and

18 **WHEREAS**, Congressman James C. Moylan, Guam's Delegate to the United
19 States House of Representatives, has introduced the Guam Consultation Act, legislation
20 that would amend the Organic Act of Guam to establish a permanent statutory
21 framework for regular consultation between designated officials of Guam and the
22 Federal Government; and

23 **WHEREAS**, the Guam Consultation Act would require the President of the
24 United States and *I Maga'hågan Guåhan* to consult regularly on all matters affecting
25 the relationship between the United States and Guam; and

26 **WHEREAS**, the legislation further provides that, at the request of either
27 government and not less frequently than every five (5) years, designated special

1 representatives of the United States and Guam shall meet and consider in good faith
2 issues affecting the relationship between the two governments as identified by either
3 government and submit a report and recommendation to the United States Congress
4 concerning those matters; and

5 **WHEREAS**, the legislation further requires designated representatives to meet
6 at least one (1) year prior the expiration of ongoing federal financial assistance to Guam
7 to consider and make recommendations to Congress and the President regarding future
8 multi-year federal financial assistance to the island; and

9 **WHEREAS**, the Guam Consultation Act recognizes the respective roles of
10 Guam’s elected leadership by authorizing both *I Maga’hågan Guåhan* and the Speaker
11 of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* to designate individuals to represent Guam during these
12 consultations while expressly including Guam’s Delegate to the United States House of
13 Representatives as a designated special representative, reflecting a unified “One Guam”
14 approach to engagement with the Federal Government; and

15 **WHEREAS**, establishing a permanent consultation process within the Organic
16 Act of Guam will strengthen cooperation between Guam and the Federal Government,
17 provide a predictable framework for addressing issues of mutual concern, and ensure
18 that Guam’s voice remains part of the federal decision-making process as policies
19 affecting the island continue to evolve; and

20 **WHEREAS**, the Guam Consultation Act is not about granting Guam special
21 treatment or additional authority over federal decisions, but about ensuring that Guam
22 has a permanent seat at the table and that the voices of the people of Guam are heard
23 before – not after – major federal decisions uniquely affecting our island are made; and

24 **WHEREAS**, *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* recognizes that strengthening consultation
25 between Guam and the Federal Government is fundamental to advancing the interests
26 of the people of Guam and ensuring that the island has a meaningful and enduring voice
27 in decisions that directly affect its future; now, therefore, be it

1 **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules of *I Mina'trentai Ocho Na*
2 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the people
3 of Guam, express its strong support for the Guam Consultation Act, and urges the
4 United States Congress to enact this legislation establishing a permanent statutory
5 framework for consultation between Guam and the Federal Government; and, be it
6 further

7 **RESOLVED**, that *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* believes the Guam Consultation Act
8 represents an important step toward ensuring that Guam has a permanent seat at the
9 table and that the voices of the people of Guam are heard before – not after – major
10 federal decisions affecting the island are made; and, be it further

11 **RESOLVED**, that *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* reaffirms its commitment to working
12 alongside *I Maga'hågan Guåhan*, Guam's Delegate to Congress, and our federal
13 partners to strengthen the relationship between Guam and the United States through
14 regular, meaningful, and good-faith consultation; and, be it further

15 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules
16 certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of
17 the same be thereafter transmitted to the Honorable Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero, *I*
18 *Maga'hågan Guåhan*, to the Honorable James C. Moylan, Guam's Delegate to the
19 United States House of Representatives, and to the Honorable Mike Johnson, Speaker
20 of the United States House of Representatives.

**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