

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
225-38 (LS)	Shelly V. Calvo	Relative to recognizing the observance of “Family Violence Awareness Month” during the month of October 2026; and commending the numerous organizations and advocates of Guam for their continued efforts in raising public awareness of sexual assault and family violence issues on Guam.	9/21/26 10:50 a.m.	10/2/26 3:00 p.m.	9/29/26 4:31 p.m.					

Resolution No. 225-38 (LS)

Introduced by:

Shelly V. Calvo

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Relative to recognizing the observance of “Family Violence Awareness Month” during the month of October 2026; and commending the numerous organizations and advocates of Guam for their continued efforts in raising public awareness of sexual assault and family violence issues on Guam.

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

WHEREAS, family violence remains a serious public safety and community concern throughout the nation and on Guam, affecting individuals and families across every segment of society and carrying consequences that can extend far beyond the immediate act of violence; and

WHEREAS, family violence may take many forms, including physical, sexual, emotional, psychological, and economic abuse, as well as patterns of coercion and control that threaten a person's safety, independence, and well-being; and

WHEREAS, family violence can affect anyone regardless of age, race, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, education, disability, socioeconomic status, or other circumstance, and its effects are often borne not only by survivors, but also by children, families, workplaces, schools, and the broader community; and

WHEREAS, the Judiciary of Guam's 2025 Annual Report reflects the continued presence of family violence in cases before the courts, recording ninety-six (96) felony family violence charges and one hundred twenty-nine (129) misdemeanor family violence charges during 2025, as well as one hundred sixteen (116) protection order cases filed with the Superior Court of Guam; and

WHEREAS, Guam's victim service organizations continue to provide critical assistance to survivors and their families; and the National Network to End Domestic Violence reported that, during a single twenty-four (24)-hour period on September 10, 2025, sixty-one (61) adults and children on Guam received domestic violence services, including emergency shelter, housing assistance, advocacy, counseling, and other supportive services; and

WHEREAS, survivors of family violence may face significant and interconnected barriers when seeking safety and rebuilding their lives, making access to emergency shelter, safe housing, healthcare, counseling, legal assistance, advocacy, transportation, economic support, and other long-term services essential to a survivor-centered response; and

WHEREAS, Guam's response to family violence depends upon sustained collaboration among victim service providers, law enforcement, the courts, healthcare and behavioral health professionals, legal advocates, government agencies, nonprofit and faith-based organizations, educators, and community members, each of whom contributes to a coordinated system of prevention, intervention, protection, accountability, and healing; and

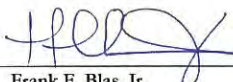
WHEREAS, this broad network of community partners includes the Andersen Air Force Base Family Advocacy Program; Andersen Air Force Base Sexual Assault Prevention and Response Office; Archdiocese of *Agaña*; Association of Individual, Marriage, and Family Therapists; Bureau of Women's Affairs; Catholic Social Services – Alee Shelter; Guam Department of Public Health and Social Services; Erica's House, Inc.; GALA; Guam Behavioral Health and Wellness Center – Healing Hearts Crisis Center; Guam Coalition Against Sexual Assault & Family Violence; Guam Community College; Guam Human Rights Initiatives; Guam Legal Services Corporation – Disability Law Center; Guam National Guard Sexual Assault Prevention and Response Program; Guam Police Department – Domestic Assault Response Team (DART); Guam Sexual Assault & Abuse Resource Center Association; Guma' Mami; Judiciary of Guam; Homeland Security Investigations; Mayors' Council of Guam; Mañelu; Naval Base Guam Fleet & Family Support Center – Family Advocacy Program; Naval Base Guam Sexual Assault Prevention & Response Program; Nicolette Baldovino Community Foundation; Office of the Attorney General of Guam; Public Defender Services Corporation – The Civil Law Center; TOHGE, Inc.; United States Attorney's Office; University of Guam – Violence Against Women Prevention Program; Victim Advocates Reaching Out; WestCare Pacific Islands; and the many practitioners, advocates, volunteers, and community members who work alongside them; and

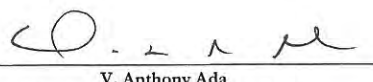
WHEREAS, Family Violence Awareness Month provides an opportunity for the people of Guam to honor the courage and resilience of survivors, remember those whose lives have been lost or forever altered by violence, recognize those who dedicate their lives to supporting survivors, and renew our collective commitment to a community in which every person may live with safety, dignity, and freedom from abuse; now therefore, be it

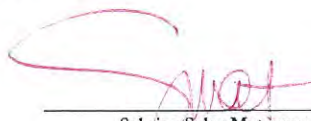
RESOLVED, that the Committee on Rules of *I Minatrentai Ocho Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the people of Guam, recognize the observance of “Family Violence Awareness Month” during the month of October 2026; and commend the numerous organizations and advocates of Guam for their continued efforts in raising public awareness of sexual assault and family violence issues on 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 the Guam Coalition Against Sexual Assault & Family Violence; the Bureau of Women's Affairs; and to the Honorable Lourdes 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 29TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2026.

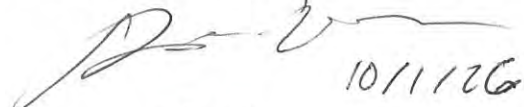

Frank F. Blas, Jr.
Speaker


V. Anthony Ada
Chairperson, Committee on Rules


Sabrina Salas Matanane
Legislative Secretary



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I MINA'TRENTAI OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
2026 (SECOND) Regular Session

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2 ***MINA'TRENTAI OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN:***

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15 Guam Sexual Assault & Abuse Resource Center Association; Guma’ Mami; Judiciary
16 of Guam; Homeland Security Investigations; Mayors’ Council of Guam; Mañelu; Naval
17 Base Guam Fleet & Family Support Center – Family Advocacy Program; Naval Base
18 Guam Sexual Assault Prevention & Response Program; Nicolette Baldovino
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**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF
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OF SEPTEMBER 2026.**



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Chairperson, Committee on Rules



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COMMITTEE ON RULES

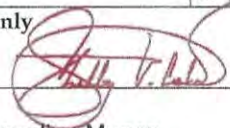
VICE SPEAKER V. ANTHONY ADA, CHAIRPERSON

I Mina'trentai Ocho Na Liheslaturan Guåhan

38th Guam Legislature

COMMITTEE VOTE SHEET

Resolution No. 225-38 (LS) – Shelly V. Calvo – “Relative to recognizing the observance of “Family Violence Awareness Month” during the month of October 2026; and commending the numerous organizations and advocates of Guam for their continued efforts in raising public awareness of sexual assault and family violence issues on Guam.”

	INITIAL	DATE	TO ADOPT	TO NOT ADOPT	TO ABSTAIN
Vice Speaker V. Anthony Ada Chairperson					
Senator Christopher M. Dueñas Vice Chairperson	E-vote	09/29/2026	✓		
Speaker Frank F. Blas, Jr. Member	E-vote	09/29/2026	✓		
Legislative Secretary Sabrina Salas Matanane Member	E-vote	09/29/2026	✓		
Senator Vincent A.V. Borja Member	E-vote	09/29/2026	✓		
Senator Shelly V. Calvo Member		09/29/2026	✓		
Senator Eulogio Shawn Gumataotao Member	E-vote	09/29/2026	✓		
Senator Jesse A. Lujan Member	E-vote	09/29/2026	✓		
Senator Telo T. Taitague Member	E-vote	09/29/2026	✓		
Senator Tina Rose Muña-Barnes Minority Member					
Senator Joe S. San Agustin Minority Member	E-vote	09/29/2026	✓		
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Sponsor Signature: 					
Staff Contact Person: <u>Jacqueline Munoz</u>					
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<u>9</u> Certified _____ Returned _____					
Name: <u>Elijah Untalan</u>					
Date: <u>September 29, 2026 4:31 p.m.</u>					
Notes:					



Office of Senator

SHELLY V. CALVO

Majority Whip & Chairwoman

Committee on Child Welfare, Youth Affairs, Senior Citizens, Women's Affairs,
Disability Services, the Arts, Culture, Historic Preservation, and *Hagåtña* Restoration

I Mina'trentai Ocho Na Liheslaturan Guåhan • 38th Guam Legislature

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

September 30, 2026

MEMORANDUM

To: **All Senators, Stakeholders, Media**

From: **Senator Shelly V. Calvo**

Chairperson, Committee on Child Welfare, Youth Affairs, Senior Citizens, Women's Affairs, Disability Services, the Arts, Culture, Historic Preservation, and *Hagåtña* Restoration

RE: **Notice of Presentation: Resolution No. 225-38 (LS)**

The presentation of **Resolution No. 225-38 (LS) - Relative to recognizing the observance of "Family Violence Awareness Month" during the month of October 2026; and commending the numerous organizations and advocates of Guam for their continued efforts in raising public awareness of sexual assault and family violence issues on Guam.**

Please be advised that the Resolution Presentation will take place on: Friday, October 02, 2026 at Micronesia Mall at 3:00pm.

We look forward to your presence and participation as we come together to honor the courage and resilience of survivors and recognize those who dedicate their lives to supporting awareness of family violence.

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