

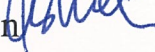

I MINA'TRENTAI SINGKO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No.	Sponsor	Title	Date Intro	Date of Presentation	Date Adopted	Date Referred	Referred to	PUBLIC HEARING DATE	DATE COMMITTEE REPORT FILED	NOTES
188-35 (LS)	Amanda L. Shelton Kelly Marsh (Taitano), PhD	Relative to celebrating the 100th anniversary of the passage of the 19th Amendment, granting women suffrage, and to celebrating the social, economic, cultural, and political achievements built by courageous women; and to further recognize and commend the CHamoru and Guamanian women whose contributions have paved the way toward progress and success for all.	8/22/19 8:41 a.m.	8/29/19 12:00 p.m.						

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Resolution No. 188 -35 (LS)

Introduced by:

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1 **BE IT RESOLVED BY *I MINA'TRENTAI SINGKO NA LIHESLATURAN***
2 ***GUÅHAN*:**

3 **WHEREAS**, one hundred (100) years ago, women across the United States
4 celebrated their victory in the fight for their basic, fundamental right to participate in
5 their government, and to pursue on equal footing, a better quality of life for
6 themselves and their families; and

7 **WHEREAS**, for more than seven decades, women leaders from across the
8 United States marched, lobbied, fought for the right to vote and they emerged
9 victorious when the Nineteenth Amendment to the US Constitution was passed on
10 June 4, 1919 and ratified on August 18, 2020 and declared that “the right of citizens of
11 the United States to vote shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by
12 any State on account of sex”; and

1 **WHEREAS**, the 19th amendment granted women the right to vote and
2 represented the pinnacle of the women's suffrage movement in the United States led
3 by the National American Woman Suffrage Association (NAWSA); and

4 **WHEREAS**, with its passage, 27 million American women were granted
5 access to the ballot thus marking the largest expansion of voting rights in the history
6 of the United States;

7 **WHEREAS**, the decades-long fight for female enfranchisement was led with
8 strong opposition from anti-suffrage activists but nevertheless they persisted; and

9 **WHEREAS**, Guam was not one of the original 36 United States jurisdictions to
10 ratify the 19th amendment and women in Guam did not have voting rights after its
11 passage because they were not US citizens at the time but women on Guam going
12 back to ancient times continue to lead in all facets of society, including prominent
13 CHamoru women Cynthia Johnston Torres, Lagrimas Leon Guerrero Untalan, Agueda
14 Iglesias Johnston, Amanda Guzman Shelton, Concepcion Cruz Barrett and many
15 others who were influential and significant figures to the advancement of women on
16 Guam; and

17 **WHEREAS**, it is estimated almost 70 million women including those n Guam
18 now have the right to universal suffrage because of the women and men who fought
19 for the right to vote; now, therefore be it

20 **RESOLVED**, that *I Mina'trentai Singko Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby,
21 on behalf of the people of Guam, celebrate the 100th anniversary of the ratification of
22 the 19th amendment, granting women suffrage, and to celebrating the social,
23 economic, cultural, and political achievements built by courageous women; and to
24 further recognize and commend the CHamoru and Guamanian women whose
25 contributions have paved the way toward progress and success for all; and be it
26 further;

1 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules
2 certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of
3 the same be thereafter transmitted to Jayne Flores, Director, Bureau of Women's
4 Affairs; to the University of Guam Women in Gender Studies Program; to the
5 American Association of University Women, Guam Chapter; and to the Honorable
6 Lourdes Leon Guerrero, *I Maga'hågan Guåhan*.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY *I MINA'TRENTAI SINGKO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* ON THE DAY OF **MONTH 2019.**

TINA ROSE MUÑA-BARNES
Speaker

AMANDA L. SHELTON
Legislative Secretary