



**BEFORE THE 2013 JUDICIAL COUNCIL OF GUAM
RESOLUTION NO. JC13-020**

RELATIVE TO RECOGNIZING OCTOBER 2013 AS GUAM BULLYING PREVENTION MONTH

- WHEREAS,** the Judiciary of Guam hereby recognizes that bullying is a serious issue that greatly affects the health, safety, and well-being of youth and families in our island community; and
- WHEREAS,** to address bullying, cyber bullying, sexting, youth violence, and related issues in our schools and community, the Judiciary of Guam has partnered with the Guam Department of Education to educate and train students, school personnel, youth service providers and professionals, parents, and families to encourage understanding and raise awareness of bullying and violence prevention; and
- WHEREAS,** through this partnership, the Bullying Prevention Advisory Group (BPAG) was formed in July 2011 to synergize the efforts of numerous stakeholders to prevent, intervene, and stop bullying and violence in Guam; and
- WHEREAS,** through the BPAG, Guam students helped create the theme in this community effort entitled DUO: Do Unto Others – A Partnership Against Bullying to recognize we must all live by the Golden Rule to treat others with the respect and kindness we each deserve; and
- WHEREAS,** through the BPAG, Guam joins a nationwide movement to unite our communities to raise awareness of bullying prevention through events, activities, outreach, and education; and
- WHEREAS,** the BPAG is comprised of the Judiciary of Guam; the Guam Department of Education (including twenty-six elementary schools, eight middle schools, five high schools, one alternative school, and one charter school); the Office of Governor Edward B. Calvo; the Office of First Lady Christine Calvo; the Office of Lieutenant Governor Raymond Tenorio; Offices of Speaker Judith T. Won Pat, Vice Speaker Benjamin J.F. Cruz, Legislative Secretary Tina Rose Muña Barnes, Majority Leader Rory J. Respicio, Minority Leader V. Anthony Ada, and other members of the Committee on Future Generations and the Committee on Education: Senator Michael F.Q. San Nicolas, Senators Thomas C. Ada, Vicente C. Pangelinan, Aline A. Yamashita, Frank Aguon, Jr., Dennis Rodriguez, Jr., and all other members of *I Mina'trentai Dos na Liheslaturan Guåhan; I Famagu'on-ta*; the District Court of Guam; the Office of the Attorney General; the United States Attorney's Office; Guam Behavioral Health and Wellness Center; Youth for Youth LIVE Guam; the Guam Bar Association; the University of Guam; the Guam Community College; the Department of Youth Affairs; the Guam Police Department; Sanctuary Incorporated of Guam; *Inafa Maolek*; the Department of Integrated Services for Individuals with Disabilities; the Guam Anti-Bullying Organization; the Guam Girl Scouts, the Guam Boy Scouts; the Guam Youth Congress; the Guam National Guard Counter Drug Task Force; the Office of the Superintendent of Catholic Schools; Academy of Our Lady of Guam; Father Duenas Memorial School; Notre Dame High School; Saint Thomas Aquinas; Bishop Baumgartner Memorial Catholic School; Dominican Catholic School; Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic School; Saint Anthony Catholic School; Saint Francis Catholic School; San Vicente Catholic School; Santa Barbara Catholic School; Dominican Child Development Center; Infant of Prague Nursery & Kindergarten; Maria Artero Preschool & Kindergarten; Mercy Heights Nursery & Kindergarten; Guam Evangelical Christian Academy; Harvest Christian Academy; Saint Paul Christian School; Saint John's School; Pacific Christian Academy; Asmuyao Community School; Family Baptist Church School; Montessori School of Guam; Temple Baptist Church School; Blessed Seed Christian Academy & Daycare Center; Guam Adventist Academy; Providence International Christian Academy; Southern Christian Academy; and, other schools and stakeholders;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Judicial Council does hereby recognize the month of October 2013 as 'Guam Bullying Prevention Month'. The Judicial Council on behalf of the Judiciary of Guam urges the people of Guam to use this occasion to join the movement, spread the national message of *The End of Bullying Begins with Me*, and to engage in community events, activities, and outreach made available by the BPAG and other community partners. The Judicial Council pledges its support for BPAG's efforts to raise awareness and encourage all island youth and families to 'Unite Against Bullying' recognizing that each and every one of us plays a significant role in promoting the Golden Rule to prevent bullying and violence in Guam.

DULY ADOPTED this 22nd day of August, 2013 at a duly noticed meeting of the Judicial Council of Guam.

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