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**Resolution Supporting Brown Tree Snake Eradication Efforts on Dàno'
Receives Unanimous Support**

Hagåtña, Guam – Senator Sabina Flores Perez issued the following statement after Resolution 94-36 was passed on Thursday:

“With the passage of Resolution 94-36 an important step was undertaken by *I Mina'trentai Sais Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* in the ongoing quest to eradicate and control the destructive impact of the Brown Tree Snake population recently discovered on Dàno'/Cocos Island. Through the necessary collaboration of the community, local and federal agencies, we continue the battle against this menace to our island home. Recognition must be given to the initial reporting of the Brown Tree Snake presence on Dàno' by concerned citizens. In order to make a meaningful impact on this decades-long quest to rid our island of the destruction of invasive species, both plant and animal, the diligence of everyone is necessary.”

Dàno' is home to a number of locally and federally listed threatened and endangered species, including: black and brown noddies, white terns, the starling, nesting green sea turtles, the slevin's skink, and other native lizard species which are no longer found on Guam due to the BTS. Increased nesting of black noddies in Malesso' are speculated to be related to the presence of BTS on Dàno'.

“The successful eradication of BTS from Dàno' could show us what a future for Guåhan could look like, free of invasive species,” Senator Perez said. “It is urgent that we recognize the eradication of invasive species and the promotion of biosecurity as legislative priorities for our government.”

Senator Perez thanks her co-sponsors, members of the community, stakeholders, and colleagues in the 36th Guam Legislature for their support.

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