## I MINA'TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN 2009 (FIRST) Regular Session

Resolution No. 196-30 (COR)

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Relative to recognizing and commending the vital role played by Guam employers in support of our National Guard and Reserve components via the Guam Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve (ESGR) Program pledge, and to further extending *Un Dångkulo Na Si Yu'os Ma'åse'* to the individuals within the employer community who have gone beyond legal requirements to ensure that their employees are able to simultaneously serve their country and chosen career.

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

WHEREAS, as the recent anniversary of the 9/11 attacks in New York has reminded us, hundreds of thousands of our fellow citizens wearing military uniforms must maintain constant vigilance in order to protect our

6 American way of life; and

WHEREAS, standing tall among these troops are our nation's National Guard and Reserve forces, which continue to serve our country with distinction. Our National Guardsmen and Reservists continue to be active on every front in the Global War on Terror; and

WHEREAS, almost half of our military forces reside in the Reserve Component, which is comprised of the National Guard and Reserve; and

WHEREAS, federal law protects members of the Guard and Reserve who are called to active duty, ensuring that they will return home to their former jobs following their active service; and

WHEREAS, the organization, Guam Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve and its member employers, support this effort and provide a degree of comfort for members of the Guard and Reserve so they can focus on the daunting tasks before them; and

WHEREAS, at the same time, these employers benefit from the professionalism, experience, and leadership skills these citizen-warriors bring home. Employer support of our Guard and Reserve at home and abroad

- 1 helps ensure our service members are mission-ready, while also providing a
- 2 source of pride and assurance for all Americans; and
- 3 WHEREAS, Guam is grateful to employers and workers for their
- 4 support of Guard and Reserve members and their families. Together, our
- 5 National Guard and Reserve forces and their employers are united in purpose
- 6 and reflect the highest standards of professionalism and honor; and
- WHEREAS, the week of September 20 to 26, 2009, has been proclaimed,
- 8 nationally and on Guam, as "Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve
- 9 Week"; now, therefore, be it
- 10 **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules of I Mina'Trenta Na
- 11 Liheslaturan Guåhan does hereby, on behalf of I Liheslaturan Guåhan and the
- 12 people of Guam, recognize and commend the vital role played by Guam
- 13 employers in support of our National Guard and Reserve components via the
- 14 Guam Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve (ESGR) program pledge,
- and does further extend *Un Dångkolo Na Si Yu'os Ma'åse'* to the individuals
- 16 within the employer community who have gone beyond legal requirements to
- 17 ensure that their employees are able to simultaneously serve their country and
- 18 chosen career; and be it further
- 19 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on
- 20 Rules certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and
- 21 that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Major General (Ret.)
- 22 Benny Paulino, State Chair of the Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve

- 1 Guam Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands Committee; to Major
- 2 General Donald Goldhorn, Adjutant General, Guam National Guard; to the
- 3 Honorable Gregorio C. Sablan, Member of Congress, U. S. House of
- 4 Representatives; to the Honorable Madeleine Z. Bordallo, Member of
- 5 Congress, U. S. House of Representatives; and to the Honorable Felix P.
- 6 Camacho, I Maga'lahen Guåhan.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF *I MINA'TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* ON THE 18<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2009.

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