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Resolution No. 206-30 (COR)

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Relative to encouraging all Guamanians to take part in the Philippine relief effort in Guam, and to commending the Filipino Community of Guam and the Philippine Consulate General for their leadership in the wake of the deadly floods caused by Tropical Storm Ondoy.

1 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF *I* 2 *MINA'TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN*:

3 WHEREAS, the greatest deeds emanate from the most sincere works of 4 charity and the leadership to encourage others to give during a people's time 5 of need; and

6 WHEREAS, the people of Guam and the Philippines share a unique and
7 irreplaceable bond; and

8 WHEREAS, Guamanians of Filipino ancestry and heritage have families 9 living in the Philippines. Many Guamanians of all ethnicities share strong 10 friendships with people in the Philippines; and

11 WHEREAS, Guam's Filipino community time and again has sacrificed 12 much for this island we share. Guamanians of Filipino ancestry and heritage 13 dedicate their time, raise funds, and volunteer to help the neediest in our 14 community, to move this island forward, and, in times of emergencies, to join 15 in the recovery of Guam; and

WHEREAS, Tropical Storm Ondoy, known internationally as Ketsana,
devastated Metro Manila and about two (2) dozen surrounding provinces on
Saturday, September 26, 2009. The storm caused flooding and mudslides,
leaving in its wake at least eighty-three (83) dead, twenty-three (23) missing
and thousands homeless; and

1 WHEREAS, the Filipino Community of Guam and the Consul General 2 of the Republic of the Philippines immediately started relief efforts following 3 the devastation; and WHEREAS, the Filipino Community of Guam is soliciting financial 4 donations toward the relief effort to help our kababayans in the Philippines 5 6 during this difficult time; and 7 WHEREAS, Consul General Olivia Palala is working with the National Disaster Coordinating Council in the Philippines and urging anyone who can 8 9 to take part in the relief effort; and WHEREAS, the people of Guam appreciate and join in solidarity with 10 the Filipino Community of Guam and the Philippine Consulate General in 11 12 this relief effort. The leadership of these two (2) offices is commendable; now, 13 therefore, be it 14 **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules of I Mina'Trenta Na Liheslaturan Guåhan does hereby, on behalf of I Liheslaturan Guåhan and the 15 16 people of Guam, commend the Filipino Community of Guam and the Philippine Consulate General for their leadership in the disaster relief effort; 17 and, be it further; 18 **RESOLVED**, that I Mina'Trenta Na Liheslaturan Guåhan urges all 19 20 Guamanians who can help, to assist the disaster relief effort in any way they 21 can, through the guidelines offered by the Filipino Community of Guam and 22 the Philippine Consulate General; and be it further

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RESOLVED, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on 1 2 Rules certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to the Board of Advisors of 3 the Filipino Community of Guam; to the Board of Directors of the Filipino 4 Community of Guam; to the Officers of the Filipino Community of Guam; to 5 the Honorable Olivia Palala, Consul General of the Republic of the 6 Philippines; to the Honorable Madeleine Z. Bordallo, Member of Congress, 7 8 U.S. House of Representatives; and to the Honorable Felix P. Camacho, I 9 Maga'lahen Guåhan.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF *I MINA'TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* ON THE 2ND DAY OF OCTOBER 2009.

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