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Relative to recognizing and congratulating Chia-Chi (Chuck) Wu, and his wife, Shiu-Fong Lai, on the occasion of the Fortieth (40th) Anniversary of the Pacific Sunny Group of companies; and to extending best wishes to Chuck on the occasion of his Eightieth (80th) Birthday.

1 BE IT RESOLVED BY I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN

2 *GUÅHAN*:

- 3 WHEREAS, Chia-Chi Wu, also known as Chuck, was born and raised in
- 4 Chang Hua, Taiwan. He is married to the lovely Shiu-Fong Lai, and they have four (4)
- 5 outstanding sons: Fong, Albert, John and Thomas. In 1971, Chia-Chi Wu migrated to

Guam with his family. In a time when economic development was growing in Asian countries, Chuck saw the need to stimulate economic development through the establishment of small industries. His determination to make a difference on Guam, coupled with his degree in law and economics from Taipei, Taiwan, and his many experiences in the field of banking, insurance and entrepreneurship, proved very useful as he laid the foundation of his succeeding ventures on Guam; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Wu established a garment business, similar to one that he owned in Taiwan back then, which provided employment for one hundred sixty (160) households, and in that same year he opened the very first Sunny Market, which later blossomed into a wholesale and retail chain. His increasing awareness of the island's requirements motivated him to embark on real estate development, and commercial space and residential leasing, which led to the establishment of the following companies: Guam Pacific Industrial Inc. (1972); American Business Corp. (1972); American Pacific Investment (1975); American Pacific Enterprise (1976); Asia Guam Enterprise (1979); Pacific Sunny Development Corp. (1981); American Pacific Development Corp. (1997); and CBA Development LLC (Investor) (2004); and

WHEREAS, the increasing awareness of Guam's potential as a tourist destination among other neighboring countries, particularly in the early 1980s, became catalysts for further development of Guam's infrastructure, and that of the tourism industry. As Guam's tourism industry moved toward this direction, Mr. Wu continued his focus on these economic changes, and in 1975, he established Sunny Wholesale to assist the hospitality industry with their equipment and supply requirements; and

WHEREAS, as a response to the growing and changing market, the Sunny group of companies, under the leadership of Mr. Wu, were constantly sourcing and introducing new products and services. They developed a network with suppliers in the U.S. mainland, and Asian countries, to promote sourcing and importation of

- 1 globally competitive products to service the needs of the local market through the
- 2 following outlets: Sunny Wholesale; Sunny Cash & Carry; Pacific Sunny
- 3 International; Sunny Electronics; Pacific Sunny (Saipan) Inc.; and Sunny Warehouse
- 4 Outlet; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Mr. Wu recognized that telecommunications is an important
- 6 vehicle for globalization. What started as cellular phone and airtime reselling under
- 7 AAA Cellular in 1992, evolved to the establishment of the Guam Wireless Telephone
- 8 Company, or HafaTel, which pioneered the innovation and revolutionized the
- 9 landscape of the Global System for Mobilization (GSM) technology and wireless
- 10 networking, which enables Guam to connect globally through text messaging,
- 11 roaming and networking; and
- WHEREAS, in his determination to succeed in his endeavors, Mr. Wu has
- served as an inspiration to migrants from Asia, and the next generation of Chinese
- 14 children who are growing up in Guam. His dedication, vision and passion to Guam's
- diverse community has led to numerous achievements and awards, such as: the 1993
- 16 U.S. Small Business Administration "Small Business Advocate of the Year"; the
- 17 Award of Distinction through Proclamation No. 5-2002, by Governor of Guam, Carl
- 18 T.C. Gutierrez and Lt. Governor of Guam, Madeleine Z. Bordallo, proclaiming
- 19 January 19, 2002, as "Chia-Chi 'Chuck' Wu Day"; the Congressional Record of the
- 20 U.S. House of Representatives, honoring the lifetime accomplishments of Chuck Wu,
- 21 in Washington, D.C. on February 21, 2006; and the 2006 Inductee to the Guam
- 22 Chinese Business Hall of Fame; and
- WHEREAS, today, Mr. Chia-Chi (Chuck) Wu holds the position as Chairman
- 24 of the Pacific Sunny Group of Companies, and epitomizes a successful overseas
- 25 Chinese businessman who built and diversified his business from a humble textile

1 manufacturing business, to wholesale and retail trading, to real estate development 2 and management, and wireless communications; now, therefore, be it

3 **RESOLVED,** that I Mina Trentai Unu Na Liheslaturan Guåhan does hereby. on behalf of the people of Guam, recognize and congratulate Chia-Chi (Chuck) Wu and his wife, Shiu-Fong Lai, on the occasion of the Fortieth (40th) Anniversary of the Pacific Sunny Group of Companies; does express its sincere best wishes to Chuck Wu 6 on the occasion of his Eightieth (80th) Birthday; and does further extend *Un Dångkulo* 7 Na Si Yu'os Ma'ase, on behalf of the people of Guam, to Chuck Wu, his wife, Shiu-8 Fong Lai, and the Pacific Sunny Group of Companies, for their many invaluable 10 contributions to the island of Guam; be it further

RESOLVED, the Speaker certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Chia-Chi (Chuck) Wu, Shiu-Fong Lai, and the Pacific Sunny Group of Companies; and to the Honorable Edward J.B. Calvo, I Maga'lahen Guåhan.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE 23RD DAY OF FEBRUARY 2011.

Acting Speaker

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ADOLPHO B. PALACIÒS, SR.

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