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Relative to commending and honoring Perez Bros., Inc., for being selected as the 2011 Business Laureate to be inducted into the Guam Business Hall of Fame; and to further extending a sincere *Un Dångkolo Na Si Yu'os Ma'åse* to them for their outstanding contributions to our island community.

BE IT RESOLVED BY I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN

- 2 **GUÅHAN**:
- 3 WHEREAS, Perez Bros., Inc., was started in 1951, and was originally known
- 4 as Frank D. Perez & Bros. Company, located in a storefront property in our capital
- 5 city of Hagåtña; and

WHEREAS, during Guam's post-war era of the early 1950s, the initial offerings of this business were small electrical products, and in 1960, Perez Bros. incorporated their block plant and hardware store into what is the current incarnation of the company; and

WHEREAS, Perez Bros., Inc., was born out of Mr. Frank D. Perez's desire to provide housing and household goods for our island community during the critical rebuilding period that was experienced after World War II, and it was also the first Guam-based company to sell television sets here on Guam; and

WHEREAS, Perez Bros., Inc., increased its operations by offering home construction materials, and quarrying and crushing local aggregate, including the sale of bulk ready-mix concrete to our island residents; and

WHEREAS, this esteemed company began the development of Perezville in *Tamuning*, which was Guam's first planned community, in line with Mr. Perez's vision to provide for covenants that protected the property; to which these homes still exist today; and

WHEREAS, many of the houses built during Guam's post-war period featured the signature terrazzo floors made with the quality materials that were provided by Perez Bros., Inc., all of which have been proven to withstand earthquakes and typhoons throughout the years, thereby providing safety and reliability for our island residents; and

WHEREAS, of noteworthy historical significance, in 1955, Perez Bros., Inc., took on the project of reconstructing the war-torn *Dulce Nombre de Maria Basilica* in our capital of *Hagåtña*; and

WHEREAS, Perez Bros., Inc., expanded its business operations in 1962 and moved into a larger space in East *Hagåtña*, and offered more items, such as appliances, venetian blinds and paints; and

1 WHEREAS, as a testament to Mr. Frank D. Perez's vision, Perez Bros., Inc., 2 continued expanding into the field of construction throughout the 1960s and 1970s, 3 and in 1980, they refocused their efforts on providing crushed aggregates, concrete 4 hollow blocks, and ready mix concrete, which prepared the company to successfully 5 participate in Guam's construction boom in the 1980s, and they can be credited for the development of Guam's hotel industry in what we know today as the Tumon Hotel 6 7 Row; and WHEREAS, Perez Bros., Inc., strengthened its industry in the 2000s by 8 9 acquiring additional sources of raw materials, upgrading its manufacturing equipment, 10 securing industry certifications, and creating partnerships with local and global 11 organizations; and 12 13

WHEREAS, Perez Bros., Inc., developed and built Villa Carmen in response to our community's desire for upscale, quality and albeit affordable homes; and

WHEREAS, Perez Bros., Inc., is a generous supporter of several communitybased organizations, including the Guam Contractors Association, the Guam Trades Academy, iRecycle, and Sanctuary, Inc.; and

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WHEREAS, Perez Bros., Inc., is now into the third generation of family ownership, and they continue to follow in Mr. Frank D. Perez's example of giving back to our island community, by supporting the Archdiocese of Agaña, Guam; the Alee Shelter; the American Cancer Society; the Guam Soapbox Derby Society; the Guam Hotel and Restaurant Association; and the Guam Chamber of Commerce; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that I Mina Trentai Unu Na Liheslaturan Guåhan does hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, commend and honor Perez Bros., Inc., on being selected as the 2011 Business Laureate to be inducted into the Guam Business Hall of Fame, and does further extend a sincere Un Dångkolo Na Si Yu'os Ma'åse to them for

- 1 the outstanding contributions they have made for the betterment of our island
- 2 community; and, be it further
- 3 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to,
- 4 the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Perez
- 5 Bros., Inc.; to the Guam Chamber of Commerce; and to the Honorable Edward J.B.
- 6 Calvo, I Maga'lahen Guåhan.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY *I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* ON THE 3RD DAY OF MAY 2011.

JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D. Speaker

TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES Legislative Secretary