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Relative to commending and congratulating Lieutenant Gregory Thomas Perez, United States Navy, on the occasion of his retirement; and to further extending a most sincere *Un Dångkolo Na Si Yu'os Ma'åse'* to him in recognition of his more than twenty-five (25) years of honorable and dedicated service to Guam and the United States of America.

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

2 *GUÅHAN*:

- WHEREAS, Lieutenant Gregory Thomas Perez is a proud native son of Guam
- 4 from the village of Chalan Pago, and he has represented his island with honor and
- 5 dedication throughout his distinguished military career in the U.S. Navy; and

WHEREAS, LT Perez attended Father Duenas Memorial High School, and graduated in May of 1986 after having completed four (4) years of Naval Junior Officer Training Corps; and he then enlisted in the U.S. Navy in July of 1986; and

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WHEREAS, LT Perez was assigned to fill numerous mission-critical positions throughout his military career, and, excelling in each role, he consistently progressed through the ranks, from Yeoman Third Class to Chief Yeoman and, ultimately, to being commissioned Ensign as a Naval Officer, via the Limited Duty Officer Program; and

WHEREAS, LT Perez's impact was far-reaching due to his commendable performance in a number of positions in the U.S Navy, to include the following assignments: as the Commanding Officer's Yeoman and Officer Records Supervisor on board the USS KITTY HAWK (CV 63); as the Administrative Assistant Leading Petty Officer and Security Investigations Yeoman at Naval Computer and Telecommunications, Area Master Station Western Pacific in Guam; as the Administrative Supervisor/Leading Petty Officer, Public Affairs Officer and Auxiliary Security Force Coordinator with the Fleet Air Reconnaissance Squadron ONE (VQ-1) at Naval Air Station, Guam; as the Administrative Officer for the Staff Judge Advocate at Joint Intelligence Center Pacific, and retouring to report to the Commander, United States Pacific Command in Hawaii; as the Senior Enlisted Non-Commissioned Officer in Charge of a Command Center Watch Team, reporting to the Commander, U.S. Forces Korea, in Seoul; as the Administrative Department Division Officer/Leading Chief, reporting to the world famous "Skinny Dragons," Patrol Squadron FOUR (VP-4); as a Limited Duty Officer at Helicopter Antisubmarine Squadron Light THIRTY-SEVEN (HSL-37) at Kaneohe Marine Base in Kaneohe Bay, Hawaii, where he also served as the Administrative Officer, Legal Officer, Security Manager and Budget Officer; as the Administrative Officer and Assistant

- 1 Executive Officer for the Director of Operations at the U.S. Southern Command in
- 2 Miami, Florida; and as the Administrative Officer and Manpower Officer, reporting to
- 3 the Commander, Naval Surface Group, Middle Pacific,; and
- 4 WHEREAS, LT Perez contributed significantly to a number of military
- 5 achievements, including completing an Around-the-World Cruise and deployment
- 6 while aboard the USS KITTY HAWK (CV 63), maintaining armistice conditions and
- 7 monitoring all events on the Korean Peninsula when reporting to the Commander of
- 8 U.S. Forces Korea, and, while on assignment in Guam, assisting in the orderly
- 9 evacuation through the island of over nineteen thousand (19,000) service members,
- 10 DOD civilians and families who were displaced by Mount Pinatubo's volcanic
- 11 eruption in the Republic of the Philippines; and
- 12 **WHEREAS**, while serving his country, LT Perez also demonstrated his life-
- 13 long commitment to learning by attending the Submarine Yeoman and Personnelman
- 14 Advanced Administration Course in San Diego, California, where he graduated as the
- 15 top student in the course, and attained an Associate's Degree in Arts, a Bachelor's
- 16 Degree in Business Administration (Magna Cum Laude), and a Masters of Science
- 17 Degree in Criminal Justice Administration from Chaminade University in Honolulu,
- 18 Hawaii; and
- 19 WHEREAS, LT Perez has been recognized with numerous awards and
- 20 decorations during his distinguished career, including: the Defense Meritorious
- 21 Service Medal (2 awards); the Joint Service Commendation Medal (2 awards); the
- Navy/Marine Corps Commendation Medal (3 awards); the Enlisted Aviation Warfare
- 23 Specialist Insignia; and the VQ-1's 1992 Sailor of the Year distinction; and
- WHEREAS, LT Perez's long and distinguished military career in service to his
- 25 country highlights a life lived with resolve and honorable character, and sets an

1 inspiring standard for future generations of this island's servicemen and women; now

2 therefore, be it

3 **RESOLVED,** that *I Mina'Trentai Unu Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby,

4 on behalf of the people of Guam, commend and congratulate Lieutenant Gregory

5 Thomas Perez on the occasion of his retirement from the United States Navy; and

6 does further extend a most sincere Un Dångkolo Na Si Yu'os Ma'åse' to Lieutenant

7 Perez in recognition of his over twenty-five (25) years of honorable service to Guam

8 and the United States of America; and be it further

9 **RESOLVED,** that the Speaker certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to,

the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Lieutenant

11 Gregory Thomas Perez, USN; to the Honorable Madeleine Z. Bordallo, Guam

Delegate to U.S. Congress; and to the Honorable Edward J.B. Calvo, *I Maga'lahen*

13 Guåhan.

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

JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D. Speaker

TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES
Legislative Secretary