

I MINA' TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN 2011 (FIRST) REGULAR SESSION

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Relative to honoring and recognizing Mr. Hing-cheong Kwok for his passion and commitment in promoting Guam as a travel destination and expanding the travel arena between China and Guam.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF I MINA TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN:

- 1 WHEREAS, Mr. Kwok began his career in the aviation industry in 1964; and
- 2 WHEREAS, Mr. Kwok worked with Pan Am in Hong Kong and subsequently
- 3 with United Airlines where he was responsible for regional cargo sales in Southeast
- 4 Asia; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Mr. Kwok is the Chief Representative and Country Director of
- 6 Continental Airlines in China where he is responsible for all aspects of airline
- 7 operations for both passenger and cargo sales and marketing; and
- 8 WHEREAS, prior to becoming the Chief Representative and Country Director,
- 9 Mr. Kwok was the Assistant Director of cargo sales for Continental's Pacific region in
- 10 Taipei, which covered China, Hong Kong, Taiwan, Australia, New Zealand, Japan,
- 11 Korea, Singapore, Malaysia, Thailand, Vietnam, Indonesia and the Philippines; and

- WHEREAS, from 1990 through 1996, Mr. Kwok was the Administration & Marketing Manager in charge of Southeast Asia, covering Taiwan, Hong Kong, Singapore, Malaysia, Thailand, Indonesia, and the Philippines; and
- 15 **WHEREAS,** Mr. Kwok has had a long-term relationship with Guam and
 16 Micronesia and in the tourism industry he is fondly known as "Emperor Kwok," a
 17 testimony to his untiring marketing and promotional work on behalf of Guam; and
- WHEREAS, Mr. Kwok has devoted much of his tourism marketing career to
 promote Guam and the region both in Taiwan and China; and

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- WHEREAS, Mr. Kwok has been extremely instrumental in driving tourism and travel interest to Guam and has done an exceptional job in securing commitments and building partnerships from key people within the core markets in the Asian region to include travel agents, trade media, influential brand celebrities, and other many trade corporate partners; and
- WHEREAS, Mr. Kwok has initiated several notable tourism initiatives and accomplishments which have contributed to Guam's visitor traffic; and
- WHEREAS, in 1990, he established daily flights between Taipei and Guam; and
 WHEREAS, in 1991, he established daily flights between Seoul and Guam, and
 also established the twice weekly flights between Hong Kong and Guam; and

- WHEREAS, in 2006, Mr. Kwok began promoting Guam and Micronesia in China and held the first Guam familiarization tour with over 200 agents throughout China,
- and continued in the years to come; and
- WHEREAS, Mr. Kwok secured direct inaugural charter flights to Guam from Shanghai, Beijing, Hangzhou, and Shenyang; and
- WHEREAS, in 2007, Mr. Kwok held the first Guam familiarization tour with

 Chinese travel agents from Beijing; and
- WHEREAS, in 2010, Mr. Kwok started the first ever Chinese New Year flights from Beijing to Guam and from Shanghai to Guam; and
- WHEREAS, in 2010, Mr. Kwok also had 56 China travel agents and 16 members from the Chinese media participate in a Guam familiarization tour; and
- WHEREAS, in 2011, Mr. Kwok started the first ever Chinese New Year
 Hangzhou to Guam and Shenyang to Guam charter flights; and
- WHEREAS, Mr. Kwok still continues to promote Guam and Micronesia as a high-end leisure and special interest destination by continually organizing familiarization tours with numerous travel agents, media, TV film crew, and celebrities; and
- WHEREAS, Mr. Kwok also organizes a golf tour and golf tournaments, fishing competitions, and underwater photo competitions to help promote Guam and Micronesia; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Kwok provides sponsorships to travel magazines to promote 50 Guam as a honeymoon destination, brand name shopping paradise, and high-end 51 leisure destination for the young professionals; now, therefore, be it 52 **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules of I Mina'Trentai Unu Na Liheslaturan 53 Guåhan does hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, honor and recognize Mr. Hing-54 55 cheong Kwok for his passion and commitment in promoting Guam as a tourist destination and expanding the travel arena between China and Guam.; and be it 56 further 57 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee of Rules 58 certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of 59 the same be thereafter transmitted to Mr. Hing-cheong Kwok; and to the Honorable 60 Edward B. Calvo, I Maga'lahen Guåhan.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THIS 10th DAY OF JUNE 2011.

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