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	Michael F.Q. San Nicolas	Relative to congratulating Luen Thai Group on the	09/02/15	9/04/15					09/02/15
		occasion of its Fiftieth (50th) Year Anniversary; and to	12:20 a.m.	to be presented					
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		Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands,							
		across the Micronesia region, and around the world.							

## I MINA'TRENTAI TRES NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN 2015 (FIRST) Regular Session

Resolution No. 174-33 (LS)

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Relative to congratulating Luen Thai Group on the occasion of its Fiftieth (50<sup>th</sup>) Year Anniversary; and to further recognizing and extending a sincere *Un Dångkolo Na Si Yu'os Ma'åse* to Dr. Tan Siu Lin and the entire Luen Thai Group family for their invaluable contributions to the people, businesses, and communities not only in Guam but in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, across the Micronesia region, and around the world.

## BE IT RESOLVED BY I MINA'TRENTAL TRES NA LIHESLATURAN

- 2 GUÅHAN:
- WHEREAS, the Luen Thai Group was founded in Hong Kong in 1965 by Dr.
- 4 Tan Siu Lin. In what originally began as a shipping company and import and export

1 business, the Luen Thai Group now includes various industries and has expanded

2 around the world; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Tan recognized the importance of integrity, trustworthiness, dedication, and diligence as well as the value of giving back to the community. In that spirit and through its work, the Luen Thai Group encapsulates the meaning of connectivity, unity, stability, and prosperity; and

WHEREAS, in the 1970s, Dr. Tan and his family moved to Guam and the Luen Thai Group expanded certain operations into Guam and Saipan. The inception of Saipan's first apparel factory took place in 1983, which served as the foundation for what has grown into the present-day flagship business for the Luen Thai Group; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Tan and his family slowly began to consider Micronesia as their second home and Tan Holdings Corporation began to represent the Luen Thai Group regionally, beginning in 1991. Tan Holdings Corporation would eventually expand into various different businesses in the years that followed; and

WHEREAS, Tan Holdings Corporation has established itself in the Micronesia region and maintains its headquarters in Saipan. Since 2001, Tan Holdings Corporation has consistently ranked as one of the top five companies in Micronesia, which is reflective of the company's contributions to the economic development of the region. Additionally, Tan Holdings Corporation continues to display its commitment to strengthening local communities by providing products and services for residents and visitors alike; and

WHEREAS, several of the regional operations maintained by the Luen Thai Group and Tan Holdings Corporation are in industries and areas which include, but are not limited to: tourism, fisheries, logistics, insurance, healthcare, fuel, wholesale and distribution, news, general entertainment, and apparel; and

WHEREAS, with the recognition and understanding that tourism is vital to the success of the Guam and Saipan economies, the Luen Thai Group, through Tan Holdings Corporation, has invested heavily to expand and strengthen the industry by making it more attractive to surrounding visitor markets. The company aggressively targets the Chinese visitor market; it acquires and further develops world-class properties into hotels (Fiesta Resorts and Kanoa Resorts); it offers professional in-air and ground passenger transportation services, as well as charter flights connecting Saipan and China (Century Travel and Tours); and it operates successful island tours of Saipan with plans to expand similar tour services to Guam, the Philippines, Palau, and Hawaii; and

WHEREAS, with its long-term investment in Micronesia, the Luen Thai Group has, in an effort to grow and strengthen relationships with regional governments, been committed to sustaining fishing and protecting marine resources, and following the guidelines prescribed by the Western and Central Pacific Fisheries Commission. This commitment has proven to be invaluable as the Luen Thai Fishing Venture successfully operates a "one-stop" seafood provider which offers a full range of supply chain services to locations in the Pacific region, as well as marketing and sales to Japan, China, and the United States; and

WHEREAS, the Luen Thai Group is an important provider of third party logistics and freight forwarding through air and sea in our region. Asia Pacific Airlines is the only nationally registered air cargo service carrier in the western Pacific region. In 1997, Mariana Express Lines, Ltd., was created to increase the supply of shipping services, and it has been providing critical shipping services to the region; to which, because of its services, it has been able to connect thousands of people in hundreds of island communities. CTSI is the largest provider of logistic services in

1 Micronesia and strives to provide the best to its customers by championing quality

services and investing in efficient operations; and

WHEREAS, over the years, the Luen Thai Group has become a successful apparel and accessories supply chain service provider, and it has been listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange. As recently as 2014, the apparel business produced 175 million units of garments, bags, and shoes, employed 44,000 individuals, and achieved earnings of approximately \$1.2 billion in revenues; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Tan, the Luen Thai Group, and Tan Holdings Corporation have been instrumental in introducing other vital services to the people of Micronesia, such as: insurance (Century Insurance), healthcare (TakeCare, Inc.), fuel (Blue Bay Petroleum), wholesale and distribution (Cosmos Distributing Co., Ltd. and Dickerson & Quinn), news (Saipan Tribune), and general entertainment (Tango, Inc.); and

WHEREAS, the philanthropic efforts of Dr. Tan, the Luen Thai Group, and Tan Holdings Corporation are collectively based on a core set of values and beliefs, which include giving back to the communities in which they operate and nurturing a caring culture for its employees, while constantly improving the operational work environment in those very same communities. These ideals are also seen in the service and behavior demonstrated by staff members of the company. Additionally, the company is involved in many civic and charitable activities including the Tan Siu Lin Foundation and the "iServe. iGiveback" program; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Tan, the Luen Thai Group, and Tan Holdings Corporation has navigated the unique opportunities and challenges of Micronesia to produce a story of success which was founded on a firm commitment to hard work. The company and the individuals involved with the company have held firm in the belief that the pursuit of business success must always go hand in hand with the pursuit of the overall good for the society wherever they operate; and

1 WHEREAS, all individuals understand that their commitment to the community is a lifelong legacy reflected in the quality of life of the people, and the 2 3 legacy of Dr. Tan Siu Lin is one of a successful work ethic, an innovative business vision, and unparalleled philanthropic endeavors; now therefore, be it 4 RESOLVED, that I Mina'Trentai Tres Na Liheslaturan Guåhan does hereby, 5 on behalf of the people of Guam, congratulate Luen Thai Group on the occasion of its 6 Fiftieth (50<sup>th</sup>) Year Anniversary; and does further recognize and extend a sincere *Un* 7 Dångkolo Na Si Yu'os Ma'åse to Dr. Tan Siu Lin and the entire Luen Thai Group 8 9 family for their invaluable contributions to the people, businesses, and communities 10 not only in Guam but in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, across the Micronesia region, and around the world; and be it further 11 12 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Dr. Tan 13 Siu Lin; and to the Honorable Edward J.B. Calvo, I Maga'låhen Guåhan. 14

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY *I MINA'TRENTAI TRES NA LIHESLATURAN-GUÅHAN* ON THE 2<sup>ND</sup> DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2015.

JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D. Speaker

TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES
Legislative Secretary