I MINA'BENTE OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN 2006 (SECOND) Regular Session

Executive Committee Resolution No. 113

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Relative to commending and congratulating Parks Administrator, Mr. Peter V. Villagomez, on his retirement from the Department of Parks and Recreation, and extending sincere gratitude for his twe nty-three (23) years of public service and dedication to the People of Guam.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF I

- 2 MINA'BENTE OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN:
- 3 **WHEREAS**, Mr. Peter V. Villagomez was born on December 17, 1945, in
- 4 Mangilao and is the son of Jesus Villagomez and Rosario Villagomez, and has
- 5 eight (8) siblings; Melba Aguigui, Joyce Villagomez, Rodney Villagomez,

- 1 Pauline Concepcion, Merca Bissaca, Andrew Villagomez, Claire Rose
- 2 Villagomez and Jesse Anthony Villagomez; and
- 3 WHEREAS, Mr. Villagomez will retire as Parks Administrator of the
- 4 Department of Parks and Recreation after twenty-three (23) years of service to
- 5 the Government of Guam; and
- 6 WHEREAS, in 1988, Mr. Villagomez began working as a Program
- 7 Coordinator II at the Department of Parks and Recreation, and in 1990, in
- 8 recognition of his exemplary performance, was nominated for the
- 9 Government of Guam Top Ten (10) Employees of the Year Award; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Mr. Villagomez' notable accomplishments included
- securing a Three Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollar (\$3,500,000) Land
- 12 and Water Conservation Fund Grant for the second phase of the Guam
- 13 Veteran's Cemetery in Piti; and other grants from the National Natural
- 14 Landmark Fund for the island's natural landmarks such as Facpi Point and
- 15 Fouha Point, both in Umatac; and
- WHEREAS, in 1997, when the eight (8) employees of the Parks Division
- 17 of the Department of Parks and Recreation opted for the early-out retirement
- 18 program or regular retirement, Mr. Villagomez single-handedly ran the
- 19 Division; and
- WHEREAS, after the devastation of Super Typhoon Paka in 1997, Mr.
- 21 Villagomez collaborated with the Guam Historic Preservation Program of the
- 22 Department of Parks and Recreation to revitalize places of historic importance
- 23 including the Plaza De Espana in Hagåtña and Fort Soledad in Umatac; and

WHEREAS, beginning 2001, Mr. Villagomez served as Acting Parks
Administrator until his permanent appointment to the position in 2003, where
last year, Mr. Villagomez was again instrumental in obtaining a Fifty
Thousand Dollar (\$50,000) Federal Grant to purchase and install gates at the
island's various public parks to assist in the prevention of vandalism; and

WHEREAS, the mission of the Parks division of the Department of Parks and Recreation is to provide clean, safe and attractive parks for the recreational and aesthetic enjoyment of island residents and visitors, and during Mr. Villagomez's tenure as Parks Administrator he has strived to accomplish this by overseeing the administration and maintenance of the island's inventory of eighty (80) public parks, facilities and cemeteries; and

WHEREAS, his superiors and colleagues view him as a professional and outstanding employee, and will miss his expertise regarding federal rules and regulations governing the administration of parks and facilities; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Executive Committee of *I Mina'Bente Ocho Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the people of Guam, commend and congratulate Mr. Peter V. Villagomez for his twenty-three (23) years of service to the People of Guam; and extend sincere gratitude for his contributions to the Department of Parks and Recreation; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Speaker and the Chairman of the Executive Committee certify, and the Secretary of the Legislature attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Mr. Peter V.

- 1 Villagomez; to Mr. Tom Morrison; Director, Department of Parks and
- 2 Recreation; and to the Honorable Felix P. Camacho, I Maga'lahen Guåhan.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF *I MINA'BENTE OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* ON THE 5TH DAY OF JANUARY 2006.

MARK FORBES

Speaker and

Chairman, Executive Committee

EDWARD J.B. CALVO

Senator and

Secretary of the Legislature