

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

**Executive Committee**  
**Resolution No. 131**

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**Relative to commending and congratulating *Pa'a Taotao Tano* and the dance groups from Guam and the Northern Mariana Islands that participated in *Pa'a's* Fourth (4th) Annual *Dinaña Minagof Chamorro* Dance Competition and Festival.**

1           **BE IT RESOLVED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF I**  
2 ***MINA'BENTE OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN:***

3           **WHEREAS, *Pa'a Taotao Tano* is a registered non-profit organization that**  
4 **has been in existence since 2001, having been founded to preserve and**

1 promote the culture of the Chamorro people, the indigenous residents of  
2 Guam and the Marianas Islands; and

3       **WHEREAS**, *Pa'a Taotao Tano* is comprised of hundreds of cultural  
4 practitioners and advocates, including all of the major Chamorro cultural  
5 dance groups in Guam, and hosts Annual Cultural Festivals featuring  
6 Chamorro cultural dancing, arts & crafts, storytelling & oral history, and  
7 music & song; and

8       **WHEREAS**, on February 11, 12, 18 and 19, 2006, *Pa'a*, in partnership  
9 with *Gef Pa'go Inarajan* and the Guam Reef Hotel, presented its Fourth (4th)  
10 Annual *Dinaña Minagof Chamorro* Dance Competition and Festival with  
11 groups from Guam schools including Carbullido & Talofoto Elementary  
12 Schools and Inarajan, Oceanview & Untalan Middle Schools; and

13       **WHEREAS**, also taking part in the competition and festival were Guam  
14 community based groups *Paraisu*, *Inetnon Gef Pa'go*, *Famagu'on Oro*, *Famagu'on*  
15 *Natibu*, *Katon I Tano* & *Simiyan Natibu*, as well as two (2) groups from the  
16 Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, *Inatuas* from Saipan and  
17 *Taga Cultural Dancers* from Tinian; and

18       **WHEREAS**, the second (2nd) week of the competition was held at *Pa'a*  
19 *Taotao Tano's Chamorro* Cultural Village at the Guam Reef Hotel in the heart of  
20 Guam's Tourist District; and


21       **WHEREAS**, the Guam Visitors Bureau has determined through studies  
22 and surveys that visitors who come to Guam desire more *Chamorro* cultural  
23 attractions; and

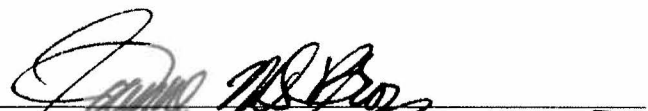
1           **WHEREAS**, *Pa'a Taotao Tano* has demonstrated their commitment to the  
2 preservation and protection of the *Chamorro* culture by its leadership in the  
3 enhancement of cultural development, now, therefore, be it

4           **RESOLVED**, that the Executive Committee of *I Mina'Bente Ocho Na*  
5 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the  
6 people of Guam, commend and congratulate *Pa'a Taotao Tano* and the dance  
7 groups from Guam and the Northern Mariana Islands that participated in  
8 *Pa'a's Fourth (4th) Annual Dinaña Minagof Chamorro Dance Competition and*  
9 *Festival*; and be it further

10          **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairman of the Executive  
11 Committee certify, and the Secretary of the Legislature attest to, the adoption  
12 hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to the *Gef Pa'go*  
13 Board Chairman, to the General Manager of the Guam Reef Hotel, and to the  
14 Honorable Felix P. Camacho, *I Maga'lahaen Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE  
OF I MINA'BENTE OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE 16<sup>TH</sup>  
DAY OF FEBRUARY 2006.**

  
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**MARK FORBES**  
Speaker and  
Chairman, Executive Committee

  
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**JOANNE M.S. BROWN**  
Vice Speaker and Acting  
Secretary of the Legislature