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

Executive Committee Resolution No. 150

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Relative to recognizing the week of April 1st to April 8th, 2006 as the "Guam Animals In Need (GAIN) Spay and Neuter Week", and to commend the Organization's many volunteers for their contributions, time, and support to such a wonderful program.

- BE IT RESOLVED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF I
- 2 MINA'BENTE OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN:
- 3 WHEREAS, Guam Animals In Need (GAIN), Guam's only humane
- 4 society, plays a major role in the community by hosting sterilization clinics
- 5 each year to reduce the population of unwanted cats and dogs; and

WHEREAS, many cats and dogs provide companionship for families and individuals across the island, and many are considered a member of their families with whom to share a home; and
WHEREAS, unaltered cats and dogs on Guam produce unwanted kittens and puppies that roam freely, which can cause health problems; and
WHEREAS, three thousand six hundred twenty four (3,624) cats and

dogs were brought to the shelter in 2005, and while six hundred sixty (660) were healthy and adopted by loving families across the island, two thousand

nine hundred sixty four (2,964) were euthanized because a loving home or

individual could not be found to adopt them; and

WHEREAS, island residents are urged to spay and neuter their animals in order to decrease the number of animals euthanized and to reduce the cost to Guam taxpayers of animal control programs, health care problems related to bites and allergies, and cleaning up trash created by uncontrolled animals; and

WHEREAS, local and off-island veterinarians, GAIN volunteers, business entities, and many others throughout our island community advocate for the spaying and neutering of companion animals during the sterilization week of April 1st through April 8th, to be conducted at the *Chalan Pago* Community Center; 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, recognize the week of April 1st to April 8th, 2006 as "GAIN's Spay and Neuter Week," and commends the Organization and its many

volunteers for donating, working, and adopting animals, giving them a chance to find a loving home and helping GAIN reduce the population of unwanted pets; and be it further

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, encourage residents to join with GAIN and observe this week by having their own animals spayed or neutered and sponsoring the spaying or neutering of unwanted animals at the shelter; and be it further

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, further recognizes the following organizations and businesses, that have made this year's sterilization clinic possible: Isla Veterinary Clinic; Northwest Airlines; Guam Hilton Resort & Spa; Guam Visitors Bureau; Guam Tropical Dive Station; Budget Car Rental; Bank of Guam; Andersen Officers' Spouses Club; Avis Rent-a-Car; Cost-U-Less; South Pacific Petroleum Corporation; DGX; *Guåhan* Waste Control; GuamCell Communications; K&L Driving School; Marianas Cable Vision; Matson Navigation; Mobil Oil Guam; National Office Supply; R&C Tours; Dial Rent-to-Own; Tanks-A-Lot; Sorensen Pacific Broadcasting; Moy Communications, Inc.; Guam Federation of Teachers; Pacific Daily News; Marianas Variety; Pacific Stars and Stripes; GU Magazine; and the GAIN staff and volunteers; 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 Guam Animals

- 1 In Need (GAIN); to Isla Veterinary Clinic; and to the Honorable Felix P.
- 2 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 APRIL 2006.

MARK FORBES

Speaker and

Chairman, Executive Committee

EDWARD J.B. CALVO

Senator and

Secretary of the Legislature