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

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Relative to recognizing May 2006 as "Guam Nurses Month" and acknowledging the contributions of individuals in the nursing profession to the people of Guam.

## BE IT RESOLVED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF I

- 2 MINA BENTE OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN:
- 3 WHEREAS, approximately two million nine hundred thousand
- 4 (2,900,000) Registered Nurses in the United States comprise our nation's
- 5 largest health care profession; and
- 6 WHEREAS, the Guam Board of Nurse Examiners has issued licenses to
- 7 four hundred eighty (480) Registered Nurses and one hundred five (105)

1 Licensed Practical Nurses, thus making the nursing the largest health care profession on Guam; and 2 3 WHEREAS, the size and versatility of the registered nursing profession meets the various emerging health care needs of the people on Guam; and 4 WHEREAS, the American Nurses Association, the voice for all 5 6 Registered Nurses, is working to chart a new course for a healthier nation that 7 relies on increasing the delivery of primary and preventive health care; and 8 WHEREAS, this emphasis on primary and preventive health care will 9 require better use of all registered nursing resources; and 10 WHEREAS, Professional Registered Nursing is indispensable to the 11 safety and care of hospitalized patients; and 12 WHEREAS, the demand for Registered Nurses will be greater than ever because of our aging population, the continued expansion of life-sustaining 13 14 technology and the explosive growth of home care services; and WHEREAS, more qualified nurses will be needed in the future to meet 15 the increasing needs of health care consumers; now, therefore, be it 16 17 **RESOLVED**, that the Executive Committee of I Mina'Bente Ocho Na Liheslaturan Guåhan does hereby, on behalf of I Liheslaturan Guåhan and the 18 people of Guam, recognize May 2006 as "Guam Nurses Month" in honor of 19 20 the individuals in the nursing profession and their contributions to health care 21 on Guam; and be it further RESOLVED, that the Executive Committee of I Mina'Bente Ocho na 22 Liheslaturan Guåhan does hereby, on behalf of I Liheslaturan Guåhan and the 23 people of Guam, commend the Guam Nurses Association, and all professional

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1 nurses for their tireless commitment to the improvement of health care on

2 Guam; and be it further

3 RESOLVED, that the Speaker and the Chairman of the Executive

4 Committee certify, and the Secretary of the Legislature attest to, the adoption

5 hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Dr. Maria I.

6 Salomon, President, Guam Nurses Association and Head, Department of

7 Nursing, School of Nursing, Social Work and Health Services, University of

8 Guam; to Lillian Perez-Posadas, Hospital Nursing Services Administrator,

9 Guam Memorial Hospital Authority; to Margarita Gay, Administrator of

10 Bureau of Family Health Care and Nursing Services, Department of Public

11 Health and Social Services; to Dr. Judith Avery, Psychiatric Nurse

12 Administrator, Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse; and to the

13 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 18TH DAY OF MAY 2006.

MARK FORBES

Speaker and

Chairman, Executive Committee

EDWARD J.B. CALVO

Senator and

Secretary of the Legislature