

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

**Executive Committee**  
**Resolution No. 185**

Introduced by:

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**Relative to recognizing and congratulating Matson Navigation Company on the launching of the bi-weekly liner service from Guam to the Federated States of Micronesia and the Republic of Marshall Islands and the unveiling ceremony of the 425 foot vessel *'MV Islander'*.**

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

3        **WHEREAS, Matson Navigation Company has been serving our region**  
4        **for over a decade and has supported efforts to develop Guam as the**  
5        **transshipment hub of Micronesia; and**

1           **WHEREAS**, Matson is launching a new bi-weekly liner service to the  
2 eastern Federated States of Micronesia and the Republic of Marshall Islands;  
3 and

4           **WHEREAS**, Matson has chartered a 425 foot vessel which will be  
5 named the '*MV Islander*'; and

6           **WHEREAS**, the *MV Islander* will be sailing from the Port of Guam and  
7 will be calling on the ports of Ebeye, Kwajelein, Majuro, Kosrae, Pohnpei and  
8 Chuuk; and

9           **WHEREAS**, the transfer of Matson Navigation Company's Marshall  
10 Islands service from Honolulu to Guam will strengthen the Port of Guam as  
11 the transshipment port of the region; and

12           **WHEREAS**, the increase in frequency caused Matson's new service to  
13 facilitate the economic growth of the islands by allowing businesses in  
14 Micronesia to diversify their product lines and save on inventory costs; and

15           **WHEREAS**, many Guam based businesses will gain additional clientele  
16 within Micronesia resulting in increased sales for them and higher revenues to  
17 the government of Guam; and

18           **WHEREAS**, Matson's new service will allow for the development of  
19 inter-island trade and commerce throughout Micronesia; and

20           **WHEREAS**, Matson Navigation Company is committed to developing  
21 Micronesia's ocean transportation infrastructure; now, therefore, be it

22           **RESOLVED**, that the Executive Committee of *I Mina'Bente Ocho Na*  
23 *Lihselaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Lihselaturan Guåhan* and the  
24 people of Guam, commend and congratulate Matson Navigation Company

1 for launching its bi-weekly liner service to the eastern Federated States of  
2 Micronesia and the Republic of the Marshall Islands; and be it further

3 **RESOLVED**, that the Executive Committee of *I Mina'Bente Ocho Na*  
4 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* recognizes the contributions of the dedicated employees  
5 of Matson Navigation Company for their efforts to strengthen our regional  
6 economy through inter-island trade and commerce and developing our ocean  
7 transportation infrastructure; and be it further

8 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairman of the Executive  
9 Committee certify, and the Secretary of the Legislature attest to, the adoption  
10 hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to James  
11 Andrasick, Matson Navigation Company, President and CEO; to Gary North,  
12 Matson Navigation Company SVP Pacific; to Tom Ahilllen, Matson  
13 Navigation Company Guam, General Manager; and to the Honorable Felix P.  
14 Camacho, *I Maga'lahaen Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE  
OF I MINA'BENTE OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE 4<sup>TH</sup>  
DAY OF AUGUST 2006.**



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



**EDWARD J.B. CALVO**  
Senator and  
Secretary of the Legislature