

MINA'BENTE OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
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Executive Committee
Resolution No. 31

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Relative to commend StayWell Insurance for its establishment of the program "Healthwatch" and to further recognize it for its continued service and contributions to the people of Guam.

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

3 **WHEREAS,** StayWell Insurance Guam has been on island since January
4 1989; and

5 **WHEREAS,** StayWell Insurance Guam currently serves over fifty-
6 thousand (50,000) government employees, private business employees and

1 families in Guam and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands
2 (CNMI); and

3 **WHEREAS,** StayWell Insurance Guam invested in a disease
4 management program in June 2003 called “Healthwatch”; and

5 **WHEREAS,** “Healthwatch” is a program aimed at educating the public
6 about common chronic illnesses that cause morbidity and death, particularly
7 Diabetes Mellitus, Coronary Artery Disease and Congestive Heart Failure;
8 and

9 **WHEREAS,** Diabetes Mellitus, in which Chamorros rank first among
10 the ethnic groups most affected, is one of the leading causes of morbidity and
11 death ; and

12 **WHEREAS,** the “Healthwatch” program, and all individuals involved,
13 have been rigorously monitoring and informing its members on standards of
14 care through phone calls, quarterly mailings of its newsletter “Outlook”,
15 distribution of workbooks containing comprehensive information on illnesses,
16 medications and interventions and regular mailings reminding member-
17 patients on the standards of care that are due; and

18 **WHEREAS,** the “Healthwatch” program, and all individuals involved,
19 have been actively participating in various activities and projects related to
20 Diabetes Mellitus, Coronary Heart Disease and Congestive Heart Failure
21 within the communities of Guam and the CNMI in conjunction with the
22 Guam Diabetes Association, the Diabetes Control Program of Saipan and the
23 CNMI and Guam’s Department of Public Health and Social Services’ various
24 health fairs and projects; and

1 **WHEREAS**, the “Healthwatch” program, and all individuals involved,
2 have been working closely with physicians and providers in the community
3 to promote standards of care through office clinic staff education, updates and
4 gatherings to discuss results of annual surveys and outcome metrics
5 conducted in Guam and the CNMI; now, therefore, be it

6 **RESOLVED**, that the Executive Committee of *I Mina’ Bente Ocho na*
7 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, commend
8 and congratulate StayWell Insurance for establishing the “Healthwatch”
9 program and further educating the community of Guam about Diabetes
10 Mellitus, Coronary Heart Disease and Congestive Heart Failure; and be it
11 further

12 **RESOLVED**, that *I Mina’ Bente Ocho na Liheslaturan Guåhan*, on behalf of
13 the people of Guam, does hereby extend a “*Dangkolo na Si Yu’os Ma’åse*” to
14 Guam’s healthcare professionals, educators, volunteers, businesses and
15 organizations that have offered assistance over the years as they continue to
16 provide quality care, service and education for those afflicted and at risk; and
17 be it further

18 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and Chairman of the Executive
19 Committee certify and the Secretary of the Legislature attest to the adoption
20 hereof and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Maria Taitano,
21 Chief Executive Officer, StayWell Insurance Guam and the Honorable Felix P.
22 Camacho, *I Maga’låhen Guåhan*.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
OF *I MINA'BENTE OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* ON THE 4TH
DAY OF MAY 2005.



MARK FORBES
Speaker and
Chairman, Executive Committee



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