

I MINA'BENTE OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
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Executive Committee
Resolution No. 34

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Relative to expressing *I Mina'Bente Ocho Na Liheslaturan Guåhan's* support of the dedicated and hardworking employees of the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse, and paying tribute to them during "Mental Health Awareness Month".

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

3 **WHEREAS**, it is acknowledged by *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* that the month
4 of May is the local and nationally recognized month to celebrate "Mental
5 Health Awareness Month" and this year's theme is "*Mind your Health*"; and

1 **WHEREAS**, one in five children suffer from mental health problems
2 and, if left untreated, can lead to school failure, alcohol or substance abuse,
3 family discord, violence, and even suicide; and

4 **WHEREAS**, one in every five Americans experiences a mental health
5 disorder in any given year, but only one-third seek care due to the stigma and
6 misperceptions surrounding mental disorders and their treatment; and

7 **WHEREAS**, various activities are being coordinated throughout the
8 month of May 2005 to commemorate this event, including a display at the
9 Guam Premier Outlet and a Feast/Christian mass held at the Department of
10 Mental Health and Substance Abuse; and

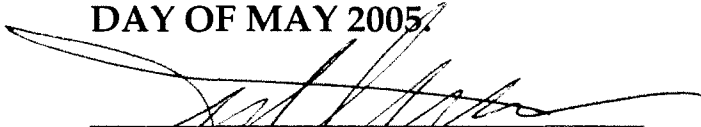
11 **WHEREAS**, the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse
12 celebrates “Mental Health Awareness Month” each year in May to raise
13 awareness of mental health and eliminate discrimination against people with
14 mental illness; and now, therefore, be it

15 **RESOLVED**, that the Executive Committee of *I Mina’Bente Ocho Na*
16 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the
17 people of Guam, express its support of the dedicated, passionate, and
18 hardworking employees of the Department of Mental Health and Substance
19 Abuse, and does pay tribute to them during “Mental Health Awareness
20 Month”; and be it further


21 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairman of the Committee on
22 Health and Human Services certify, and the Secretary of the Legislature attest
23 to, the adoption hereof and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to
24 Mr. Pete Roberto, Director of the Department of Mental Health and Substance

- 1 Abuse; to Ms. Bernie Grajek, Chairperson, Mental Health Planning Council;
- 2 and to the 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 5TH
DAY OF MAY 2005.**



MARK FORBES
Speaker and
Chairman, Executive Committee



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Senator and
Secretary of the Legislature