

**I MINA'BENTE OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
2005 (FIRST) Regular Session**

**Executive Committee
Resolution No. 38**

Introduced by:

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Relative to recognizing and honoring Dr. and Mrs. Noel L. Concepcion, both formerly from Guam, for their participation and initiative in bringing medical professionals from the Valley Heart Associates and the Medical Relief Foundation of Modesto, California, to Guam during the period of May 1 through 15, 2005, to provide free open-heart surgery to the medically indigent and critically ill heart patients at the Guam Memorial Hospital (GMH), as the start of a comprehensive, high quality cardiac program, hereinafter called the "Guam Heart Project".

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

3 **WHEREAS,** Dr. Noel L. Concepcion is a native son of Guam and a
4 cardiovascular surgeon who has taken the lead role in bringing home a group
5 of highly skilled and experienced medical professionals in what the Guam
6 Memorial Hospital Authority calls one of the “largest philanthropic efforts in
7 Guam’s Health Care history”; and

8 **WHEREAS,** Dr. Noel Concepcion is the son of the late Doctor Leon
9 Concepcion, a pediatrician for over twenty (20) years, and Mrs. Orenca
10 Liwanag Concepcion, herself a pharmacist, who owned and operated the St.
11 Anthony’s Clinic in Tamuning, Guam; and

12 **WHEREAS,** Dr. Noel Concepcion attended Cathedral Grade School in
13 *Hagåtña* and graduated from Father Duenas Memorial School in Mangilao,
14 Guam; and

15 **WHEREAS,** Dr. Concepcion attended medical school and did his
16 internship at the University of Hawaii, John A. Burns School of Medicine in
17 Honolulu, Hawaii; and

18 **WHEREAS,** Dr. Concepcion did residency at the University of Hawaii,
19 John A. Burns School of Medicine, Integrated Surgical Program in Honolulu,
20 Hawaii; and

21 **WHEREAS,** Dr. Concepcion received his fellowship with the University
22 of California, Irvine, Cardiothoracic Surgery in Orange, California, and is
23 certified with the American Board of Surgery, the American Board of Thoracic
24 Surgery, and the Fellow of American College of Surgeons; and

1 **WHEREAS**, Dr. Concepcion is listed as a professional member with the
2 Society of Thoracic Surgeons, the Bay Area Society of Thoracic Surgeons, the
3 California Society of Thoracic Surgeons, the American Medical Association
4 and the Stanislaus Medical Society; and

5 **WHEREAS**, Dr. Noel Concepcion is married to the former Beatrice
6 “Bea” Benito, daughter of Roy P. Benito and the late Concepcion “Connie”
7 Martinez Benito; and

8 **WHEREAS**, Bea Benito Concepcion also attended Cathedral Grade
9 School and graduated from the Academy of Our Lady of Guam in *Hagåtña*,
10 Guam; and

11 **WHEREAS**, Bea Benito Concepcion graduated from DeOcampo School
12 of Nursing in Manila, Philippines, and currently works as a registered nurse
13 practicing in the operating room at Oak Valley Hospital in Modesto,
14 California; and

15 **WHEREAS**, Noel and Bea Concepcion have three (3) boys, namely: Ian
16 (25), Joshua (23) and Banks (21); and

17 **WHEREAS**, Dr. and Mrs. Concepcion have resided in Modesto,
18 California for the last fourteen (14) years; and

19 **WHEREAS**, the Valley Heart Associates and the Medical Relief
20 Foundation of Modesto, California are the main sponsors of this medical
21 mission to Guam; and

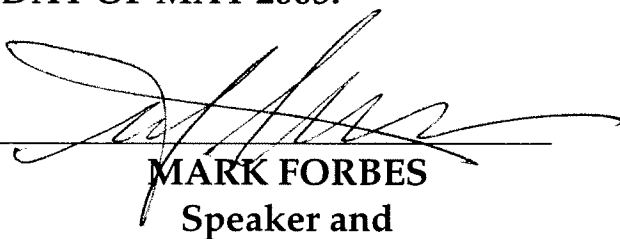
22 **WHEREAS**, the “Guam Heart Project, ‘Heart Team” consist of Health
23 Care professionals (doctors, nurses and technicians) who will perform heart

1 surgery for up to ten (10) critically ill patients at the Guam Memorial Hospital;
2 now, therefore, be it

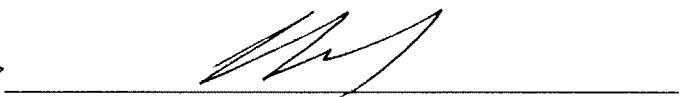
3 **RESOLVED**, that the Executive Committee of *I Mina'Bente Ocho Na*
4 *Lihselaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Lihselaturan Guåhan* and the
5 people of Guam, express deep pride and gratitude to Dr. Noel and Mrs. Bea
6 Concepcion, both formerly from Guam, for sharing their time, expertise and
7 resources to help make the Guam Heart Project a reality to the people of
8 Guam; and be it further

9 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairman of the Executive
10 Committee certify, and the Secretary of the Legislature attest to, the adoption
11 hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Dr. & Mrs.
12 Noel Concepcion; and to the Honorable Felix P. Camacho, *I Maga'lahaen*
13 *Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
OF I MINA'BENTE OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE 6TH
DAY OF MAY 2005.**



MARK FORBES
Speaker and
Chairman, Executive Committee



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