

I MINA'BENTE OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
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Executive Committee
Resolution No. 74

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**Relative to recognizing and celebrating the month of
September 2005 as the 16th Annual National Alcohol and
Drug Addiction Recovery Month: *“Join forces for Recovery:
Healing Lives and Families and Communities.”***

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

3 **WHEREAS,** one of the goals of the Secretary of the United States
4 Department of Health and Human Services is to address the problems that
5 alcohol and drugs inflict on the lives of many in our society; and

1 **WHEREAS**, together, with our local community and the Secretary of the
2 United States Department of Health and Human Services, we can renew
3 attention to this important issue by highlighting this year’s recovery month
4 with the theme: *“Join forces for Recovery: Healing Lives and Families and*
5 *Communities”*; and

6 **WHEREAS**, this theme is a reminder that recovery is possible and that
7 treatment services improve the lives of not only those suffering from alcohol
8 and drug disorders, but also those around them; and

9 **WHEREAS**, as part of the United States of America, Guam has been
10 included in the invitation to celebrate the efforts of our health-care providers
11 and counselors; and

12 **WHEREAS**, the number of fatal automobile accidents in which alcohol
13 or drugs was a factor is at an alarming level on our small island; and

14 **WHEREAS**, the cost of not receiving the necessary help for recovery is
15 measured in lost jobs and productivity, lost families, and lost lives; and

16 **WHEREAS**, even treatment of those from a hard to reach populace is
17 effective, reducing illegal drugs use by nearly half; and

18 **WHEREAS**, treatment reduces criminal activity by eighty percent,
19 (80%), increases employment, decreases homelessness, and curbs risky sexual
20 behavior while substantially improving physical and mental health; and

21 **WHEREAS**, on Guam, as in the United States, private and government
22 organizations take an active role in promoting wellness and counseling to
23 those suffering from drug and alcohol addiction; now, therefore, be it

24 **RESOLVED**, that the Executive Committee of *I Mina’Bente Ocho Na*
25 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the


1 people of Guam, recognize and congratulate the Department of Public Health
2 and Social Services; the United States Department of Health and Human
3 Services; the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse; Mothers
4 Against Drunk Drivers; the Office of the Attorney General; the Department of
5 Youth Affairs; the Guam Police Department, Highway Patrol Division; the
6 Judiciary of Guam, Youth Drug Court, Adult Drug Court, Client Services and
7 Family Counseling, Probation Division; and the United States Drug
8 Enforcement Agency; for celebrating the month of September 2005, as the 16th
9 Annual National Alcohol and Drug Addiction Recovery Month; and be it
10 further

11 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairman of the Executive
12 Committee certify, and the Secretary of the Legislature attest to, the adoption
13 hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to the United
14 States Department of Health and Human Services; the Department of Public
15 Health and Social Services; the Department of Mental Health and Substance
16 Abuse; Mothers Against Drunk Drivers; the Office of the Attorney General;
17 the Department of Youth Affairs; the Guam Police Department, Highway
18 Patrol Division; the Judiciary of Guam, Youth Drug Court, Adult Drug Court,
19 Client Services and Family Counseling, Probation Division; the United States
20 Drug Enforcement Agency; and to the Honorable Felix P. Camacho, *I*
21 *Maga'lalen Guåhan*.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
OF *I MINA'BENTE OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* ON THE 25TH
DAY OF AUGUST 2005.



MARK FORBES
Speaker and
Chairman, Executive Committee



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