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

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Relative to commending and congratulating Juan S. Finona on his retirement from the Guam Telephone Authority and his continued support and services to the Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 668.

- BE IT RESOLVED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF I
- 2 MINA'BENTE OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN:
- 3 WHEREAS, Juan S. Finona was born on September 19, 1950 to Manuel
- 4 C. Finona and Ines Cruz Santos; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Juan S. Finona is married to his loving wife Pilar S.N.
- 6 Finona, and they are blessed with five (5) children: Deborah D.F. San Nicolas,

- 1 Lorna J. Finona, Johanna J.F. Ignacio, and Breanna B. Finona, and the late John
- 2 Joseph Finona, and are also blessed with nine (9) grandchildren and one (1)
- 3 great grandson; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Juan S. Finona was a member of the United States Army in
- 5 which he served proudly for six (6) years; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Juan S. Finona had the privilege of working in the private
- 7 sector; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Juan S. Finona provided nine (9) of his fifteen (15) years of
- 9 service as a heavy equipment mechanic leader for the Government of Guam
- 10 while working with the Guam Telephone Authority; his prior years of service
- 11 were with the Jose D. Leon Guerrero Port Authority of Guam for three (3)
- 12 years and the Department of Public Works also for three (3) years; and
- 13 WHEREAS, Juan S. Finona was a staunch advocate of the employee
- 14 coordinating committee during the privatization of the Guam Telephone
- 15 Authority; and
- 16 WHEREAS, Juan S. Finona is a Vietnam Veteran who ranked as a
- 17 Sergeant E- 5 and served in Vietnam for eighteen (18) months; and
- 18 WHEREAS, Juan S. Finona's MOS was a Ranger, Sniper, Tunnel Rat,
- 19 Recon leader and, Silent Service assignment; and
- WHEREAS, Juan S. Finona while serving in Vietnam was in Units of L
- 21 Company, 1/75 Ranger, 1 Infantry and E Company, 1/26 Recon, and 196
- 22 Infantry; and
- 23 WHEREAS, Juan S. Finona joined the Vietnam Veterans of America,
- 24 Chapter 668 in 1993 where he served as a Board of Director for three (3) years,

- 1 Vice President for a year and is the current President for the past eight (8)
- 2 Years; and
- 3 WHEREAS, Juan S. Finona, as a member of the VVA Chapter 668 has
- 4 done many community projects such as the adoption and maintainance of the
- 5 Memorias Para I Lalahita memorial park; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Juan S. Finona continues to honor and commemorate
- 7 Memorial Day at the Guam Veterans Cemetery; and
- 8 **WHEREAS**, Juan S. Finona was instrumental in the KIA Memorial Wall;
- 9 and
- 10 WHEREAS, Juan S. Finona has been instrumental in working with
- 11 lawmakers and the community in the naming of the Vietnam Veterans
- 12 Highway and was able to obtain a Police Koban in Mangilao for the VVA
- 13 Chapter 668 Headquarters; and
- 14 WHEREAS, Juan S. Finona dedicates the holiday season with his fellow
- veterans and their spouses in the annual Christmas caroling to terminally ill
- 16 patients; and
- 17 WHEREAS, Juan S. Finona started the first veteran's organization, the
- 18 Veteran Service Assistance Office, and is wholeheartedly a great supporter of
- 19 other Veterans organizations lobbying with lawmakers; now, therefore, be it
- 20 **RESOLVED**, that the Executive Committee of I Mina' Bente Ocho Na
- 21 Liheslaturan Guåhan does hereby, on behalf of I Liheslaturan Guåhan and the
- 22 people of Guam, congratulate Juan S. Finona on his outstanding contributions
- 23 to the Guam Telephone Authority and the Veterans of Guam; and be it further
- 24 RESOLVED, that the Speaker and the Chairman of the Executive
- 25 Committee certify, and the Secretary of the Legislature attest to, the adoption

- 1 hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Juan S. Finona;
- 2 and to the Honorable Felix P. Camacho, I Maga'lahen Guåhan.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF I MINA'BENTE OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE  $21^{\rm st}$  DAY OF OCTOBER 2005.

MARK FORBES

Speaker and

Chairman, Executive Committee

**EDWARD J.B. CALVO** 

Senator and

Secretary of the Legislature