Introduced MINA'BENTE OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUAHAN 2005 (FIRST) Regular Session JAN 1 4 2005 Resolution No. <u>4</u> E. B. Calvo 🚀 Introduced by: Mark Forbes A. R. Unpingeo 12 ____ ____ Relative to commending and honoring the Court of Our Lady of Camarin No. 2047, Catholic Daughters of the Americas, on their thirty-third (33rd) Anniversary Celebration.

BE IT RESOLVED BY I MINA' BENTE OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN:

WHEREAS, with the support of the late Archbishop Felixberto C. Flores, the assistance of Mrs. Emelia Long, and the help of a few Catholic Daughters from the state of California, the Court of Our Lady of Camarin No. 2047, Catholic Daughters of the Americas, was established on January 19, 1972, by forty nine (49) enthusiastic local women who also serve as the organization's charter members; and

WHEREAS, under the leadership of the Reverend Vicente Martinez, the organization's first Chaplain, and the late Mary Ropp as the first regent, the Court of Our Lady of Camarin No. 2047 flourished by recruiting and helping to inspire succeeding regents, namely Flo Sanchez, Josephine Barcinas, Bernadita San Agustin, Lourdes Camacho (two terms), Cerila Rapadas, Ana San Nicolas, Elizabeth Arriola (two terms), Josephine McDonald, Mae Quinata (two terms), Pilar Lujan, Dora Salazar, and Julie Baza; and

WHEREAS, over the past thirty two (32) years, the Court of Our Lady of Camarin No. 2047 has positively impacted the lives of hundreds of people, regardless of religious affiliation, through charitable work, volunteerism, and civic contributions to aid and comfort the sick, the needy, and those less fortunate in our community; and

WHEREAS, a significant majority of the women of Guam are members of the Catholic Church whose faith has been strengthened and lives enriched by the Court of Our Lady of Camarin No. 2047's devotion to faith, family, motherhood, and by the organization's evangelism and encouragement of others by their words and by their deeds, embracing and practicing the morals of *"unity and charity"* in their respective lives; and

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WHEREAS, through the combined efforts of its members, the Court of Our Lady of Camarin No. 2047 promotes events that make possible the raising of funds and essential supplies to aid those needing help throughout our island community; and

WHEREAS, the Court of Our Lady of Camarin No. 2047 has served as an invaluable resource upon which the island's future is sure to build upon, and in light of their continued service to our island and its people, recognition and commendation are in order; and, now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Speaker certify, and the Secretary of the Legislature attests to, the adoption hereof and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to M. Joann McKanna, National Regent, Catholic Daughters of the Americas; to the Catholic Daughters of the Americas; to the Most Reverend Anthony Sablan Apuron, O.F.M. Cap., D.D., Archbishop, Archdiocese of *Hagctiña*; to Reverend Father Brigido Arroyo, Chaplain, Catholic Daughters of the Americas; to Pilar C. Lujan, Regent, Court of Our Lady of Camarin No. 2047; and to the Honorable Felix P. Camacho, *I Maga'lahen Guåhan*.