

I MINA 'BENTE OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
2006 (Second) REGULAR SESSION

Executive Committee
Resolution No. 124(EC)

Introduced by:

A.R. Unpingco 

Relative to congratulating Mr. Yutaka Maruyama, General Manager of the LeoPalace Resort of Guam on his contributions to Guam's visitor industry, especially in the development of Sports Tourism; and bidding him a warm "*Buen Viaje*".

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

3 **WHEREAS**, Mr. Yutaka Maruyama began his career as a hotelier with The Sanno Hotel,
4 Tokyo as a Front Office Receptionist in 1981; and

5 **WHEREAS**, after leaving The Sanno as Chief Auditor, he earned a Bachelor of Science
6 degree in 1991 from the School of Hotel Administration at Cornell University majoring in Hotel
7 Investment and Development; and

8 **WHEREAS**, Maruyama-san was made responsible for a variety of hotel development
9 projects in Asia and Japan as Director of Development for Westin International Asia Pacific and
10 Vice President of Development for Caesar Park Hotels and Resorts, including the 1998 development
11 and opening project for The Westin Awaji Island, a 200 room 5-star resort property, as its General
12 Manager; and

13 **WHEREAS**, in 2002, he joined the take-over project for The Sheraton Resorts Phoenix
14 Seagala, a 1360 room 5-star complex resort property, as its Executive Director of Operations; and

15 **WHEREAS**, in September of 2002, Maruyama-san moved to Guam to be the General
16 Manager of the Westin Resort Guam, and subsequently was appointed the General Manager of the
17 LeoPalace Resort of Guam, a 791 room 5-star complex resort property; and

18 **WHEREAS**, during his tenure as General Manager, the LeoPalace Resort of Guam has
19 spearheaded the development of Guam's fledgling Sports Tourism market by hosting numerous
20 international sports teams, competitions and events, including the Yomiuri Giants and Samsung
21 Lions spring training, the Governor's Cup Golf Tournaments, the Japan Ladies High School Softball

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1 team, the Japan National Synchronized Swimming Team, the Junko Rubber Baseball team, the
2 McDonald's Friendship Baseball Tournament, the Jubiro Iwata Soccer team, the Okayama Sports
3 Coalition, and seven (7) teams from Japan's professional soccer J-League; and

4 **WHEREAS**, Maruyama-san has also welcomed the Guam sports community to use the
5 excellent facilities found throughout the LeoPalace resort of Guam, a very generous gesture on his
6 part especially during those times right after SuperTyphoon Pongsona; and

7 **WHEREAS**, Maruyama-san has also shared his tourism experience and expertise as a 2-
8 term member of the Guam Hotel & Restaurant Association's Board of Directors and as the Vice
9 Chairman of the Guam Visitors Bureau's Sports Tourism Committee; and

10 **WHEREAS**, Yutaka and his wife Kazuyo, together with sons 7 year old Daichi, 5 year old
11 Taiga, and newborn daughter Nanami, have been enjoying the island life on Guam while residing in
12 Manenggon Hills, which provides Maruyama-san with ample opportunities to improve his golf game
13 which he rates as one of the worst on the island; now, therefore, be it

14 **RESOLVED**, that the Executive Committee on *I Mina 'Bente Ocho na Liheslaturan*
15 *Guåhan*, does hereby on behalf of the people of Guam congratulate Mr. Yutaka Maruyama on his
16 contributions to Guam's visitor industry, especially in the development of Sports Tourism, as the
17 General Manager of the LeoPalace Resort of Guam; and, be it further

18 **RESOLVED**, that Maruyama-san and his family are bid a warm *'Buen Viaje'* as they depart
19 Guam and begin the next chapter in their lives; and, be it further

20 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and Chairman of The Executive Committee certify, and the
21 Secretary of the Legislature attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter
22 transmitted to Mr. Yutaka Maruyama and family; to the LeoPalace Resort of Guam; and, to the
23 Honorable Felix P. Camacho, *I Maga'lahaen Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF I
MINA'BENTE OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN ON THE __ DAY OF _____, 2006.**

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Speaker and Chairman
Executive Committee

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