MINA' BENTE OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN 2006 (SECOND) Regular Session

Resolution No. <u>132</u> Introduced by:

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Relative to recognizing the week of May 14th through May 20th, 2006 as 'Guam Police Week' and honoring the courageous men and women of the Guam Police Department, Port Authority of Guam Police, and the A.B. Won Pat Guam International Airport Police, for their meritorious service in protecting our island.

BE IT RESOLVED BY I LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN:

WHEREAS, National Police Week is celebrated nationwide from May 15th through 21st, 2006 as a tribute and recognition to dedicated police officers that protect our communities; and

WHEREAS, the brave men and women of the Guam Police Department, Port Authority of Guam Police and the A.B. Won Pat Guam International Airport Authority Police enforce the laws of Guam every hour of every day, placing their lives at risk to ensure our island community is protected and safe; and

WHEREAS, during the month of November 2005, the Guam Police Department and the Department of Corrections joined forces for an islandwide man hunt to apprehend a man suspected of kidnapping and sexually assaulting a young female; and

WHEREAS, many civilian, un-sworn personnel at the Guam Police

Department, the Port Authority Police, and the Guam International Airport Authority Airport Police perform vital functions in support and furtherance of uniform officers, which contributes greatly to the apprehension of offenders and delivery of justice; and

WHEREAS, many police officers and peace officers, who have dedicated themselves to serving the island by keeping the peace and apprehending violators, have perished in the line of duty while protecting our freedom and giving their lives to save the life of another—universally acknowledged as the ultimate sacrifice—for whom our island will especially remember those devoted and courageous souls at the *Hagåtña* Police Memorial Monument on 'Peace Officers Memorial Day' that will be observed on Monday, May 15th, 2006; and

WHEREAS, men and women of law enforcement often forgo their scheduled days off and time with their families, as have many retired police officers who previously served our community and are worthy of public recognition for their unsurpassed services to our people and our island; now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that *I Mina'Bente Ocho Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, congratulate and commend the dedicated men and women of the Guam Police Department, Port Authority Police, and the Guam International Airport Authority Airport Police for their reliability, high caliber of professionalism and loyalty to their profession; and be it further

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RESOLVED, that *I Mina' Bente Ocho Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, recognize the week of May 14th through May 20th, 2006 as Guam Police Week, and does further encourage the community of Guam to participate in celebrating with uniformed and civilian members of the Guam Police Department, the Port Authority Police, and the Airport Police those programs designed to emphasize adherence to laws, public safety, and pay tribute to the brave police officers and peace officers of Guam and throughout the nation who have given so much to safeguard the life and property through fair and efficient enforcement of law; and be it further

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 Lieutenant Timothy C. Santos, Chairperson of the 2006 Guam Police Department Planning Committee, Mr. Frankie T. Ishizaki, Chief of Police, Guam Police Department; Ms. Doris C. Aguero, Chief, Port Authority Police; Mr. Antonio B. Taitingfong, Acting Chief, Guam International Airport Authority Airport Police; and to the Honorable Felix P. Camacho, *I Maga'lahen Guåhan*.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY I MINA'BENTE OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE _____ DAY OF FEBRUARY 2006.

MARK FORBES Speaker and Chairman, Executive Committee EDWARD J.B. CALVO Senator and Secretary of the Legislature