

MINA' BENTE OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN
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Executive Committee
Resolution No. 160

Introduced by:

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Relative to commending the Republic of China (Taiwan) on its contributions to promote World Health and supporting the Republic of China's (Taiwan's) entry into the World Health Organization.

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

3 **WHEREAS,** the preamble of the World Health Organization
4 (**"WHO"**) Constitution recognizes that 'the enjoyment of the highest
5 attainable standard of health is one of the fundamental rights of every
6 human being without distinction of race, religion, political belief, economic
7 or social condition'; and

8 **WHEREAS,** the Republic of China (Taiwan) and its twenty-three
9 million five hundred thousand (23,500,000) people wish to join the World
10 Health Organization as an observer; and

11 **WHEREAS,** because health and disease have no borders, it is in the
12 best interest of the advancing of human condition that the Republic of
13 China (Taiwan) be afforded membership in the WHO in order to benefit,
14 like all other members, from information in the prevention, monitoring and
15 cure of epidemic diseases, prevention of terrorist bio-chemical attacks, and
16 discussions of global health policies; and

1 **WHEREAS**, the Republic of China's (Taiwan's) achievements in the
2 field of health are substantial, which includes having one of the highest life
3 expectancy levels in Asia; maternal and infant mortality rates comparable
4 to those of western countries; the eradication of such infectious diseases as
5 cholera, smallpox and the plague; and the first to eradicate polio and
6 provide children with Hepatitis B vaccinations; and

7 **WHEREAS**, the Republic of China (Taiwan) has expressed a
8 willingness and possesses the ability to financially and technically assist
9 international health activities supported by the WHO; and

10 **WHEREAS**, in light of all the benefits that Taiwan's participation in
11 the WHO can bring to the state of health not only in Taiwan, but also
12 regionally and globally, Taiwan and its twenty-three million five hundred
13 thousand (23,500,000) people should have appropriate and meaningful
14 participation in the WHO; and

15 **WHEREAS**, the WHO Preamble further states that 'the health of all
16 peoples is fundamental to the attainment of peace and security and is
17 dependent upon the fullest cooperation of individuals and States', and
18 therefore, direct, unobstructed participation in international health forums
19 and programs is critical to limit the spread of various infectious diseases
20 and achieve world health; now, therefore, be it

21 **RESOLVED**, that *I Mina'Bente Ocho Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does
22 hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, commend the efforts of the

1 Republic of China (Taiwan) in their contributions supporting world health;
2 and be it further

3 **RESOLVED**, that *I Mina' Bente Ocho na Liheslaturan* Guåhan does
4 hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, express its support for observer
5 status for the Republic of China (Taiwan) at the World Health
6 Organization's assembly as well as Taiwan's full participation in the WHO
7 technical meetings, the Global Outbreak Alert and Response Network, and
8 the International Health regulations 2005 mechanism; and be it further

9 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker certify, and the Secretary of the
10 Legislature attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be
11 thereafter transmitted to the Honorable Lee Johg-Wook, Director General,
12 World Health Organization; to the Honorable George W. Bush, President
13 of the United States of America; to the Honorable Condoleeza Rice,
14 Secretary of State, United States of America; to the Honorable Mike Leavitt,
15 Secretary of Health and Human Services, United States of America; to the
16 Honorable Shui-bian Chen, President, Republic of China (Taiwan); to the
17 Honorable Huang Chih-fang, Minister, Ministry of Foreign Affairs,
18 Republic of China (Taiwan); to the Honorable Sheng-Mou Hou, MD, Ph.D.,
19 MPH, Minister, Department of Health, Republic of China (Taiwan); to the
20 Honorable James C.Y. Chin, Director General, Taipei Economic and
21 Cultural Office in Guam and to the Honorable Felix P. Camacho, *I*
22 *Maga'lahaen Guåhan*.

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

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Speaker

EDWARD J.B CALVO
Secretary of the Legislature