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

### Executive Committee Resolution No. $\frac{16}{2}$

Introduced by:

A.R. Unpingco

#### RELATIVE TO CONGRATULATING GEF PA'GO AND PA'A TAOTAO TANO' ON THE FIESTAN INALAHAN KANTAN MINAGOF SONGFEST OF MAY 5, 6, AND 7, 2006

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

## WHEREAS, Gef Pa'go and Pa'a Taotao Tano' are sister organizations dedicated to the preservation, showcasing and teaching of Chamorro arts, crafts, language and folkways; and

#### 5 WHEREAS, Gef Pa'go and Pa'a Taotao Tano' have partnered in festivals promoting 6 Chamorro culture for the past four years; and

# WHEREAS, Gef Pa'go serves as a Chamorro cultural center that serves the southern areas of Guam, while Pa'a Taotao Tano' provides cultural performances and events in the heart of Tumon, next to the Guam Reef Hotel, in an area convenient and accessible to Guam's visitors; and

#### 10 WHEREAS, these two organizations are the only cultural villages in operation for the 11 education and enrichment of Guam's people as well as for the enjoyment of our visitors; and

# WHEREAS, surveys show that our visitors want to experience Guam's culture and interact with Guam's friendly people; and

#### WHEREAS, these two organizations share resources in order to provide venues for our youth to share their skills in Chamorro song and dance, and to perpetuate and grow in strength and numbers for the benefit of our communities and for our visitors; therefore be it

#### 17 **RESOLVED**, that the Executive Committee of *I Mina 'Bente Ocho na Liheslaturan* 18 *Guåhan* commends and congratulates Gef Pa'go, board chair Cathy SN Flores, Vice Chair Jimmy B 19 Mantanona, Treasurer Bill M Paulino, Secretary Eileen P Flores, member Joey M Paulino and 20 Mayor Franklin M Taitague, Executive Director Dr. Judy Flores and Staff; and Pa'a Taotao Tano' 21 board chair Senator Benjamin J Cruz, vice chair Joshua Tenorio, Geri Gutierrez, Frances M Sablan, 22 and Antonia R. Gumataotao, Executive Director Linda Taitano Reyes and Staff on their efforts to

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1 preserve, perpetuate, educate and showcase our Chamorro culture; and be it further

**RESOLVED,** that the Speaker and Chairman of the Executive Committee certify, and the
Secretary of the Legislature attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter
transmitted to the Gef Pa'go Board of Directors, Management and Staff; to the Pa'a Taotao Tano'
Board fo Directors, Management and Staff; 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 \_\_\_\_\_\_DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_\_, 2006.

MARK FORBES Speaker and Chairman Executive Committee

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