




**I MINA'BENTE OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
2005 (FIRST) Regular Session**

**Executive Committee
Resolution No. 34 (EC)**

Introduced by:

Mike Cruz, M.D. 
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Relative to expressing *I Mina'Bente Ocho Na Liheslaturan Guåhan's* support of the dedicated and hardworking employees of the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse, and paying tribute to them during "Mental Health Awareness Month"

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

3 **WHEREAS,** it is acknowledged by *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* that the month
4 of May is the local and national recognized month to celebrate "Mental Health
5 Awareness Month" and this year's theme is "*Mind your Health*"; and

6 **WHEREAS,** one in five children suffer from mental health problems
7 and, if left untreated, can lead to school failure, alcohol or substance abuse,
8 family discord, violence, and even suicide; and

9 **WHEREAS,** one in every five Americans experiences a mental health
10 disorder in any given year, but only one-third seek care due to the stigma and
11 misperceptions surrounding mental disorders and their treatment; and

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1 **WHEREAS**, various activities are being coordinated throughout the
2 month of May 2005 to commemorate this event, including a display at the
3 Guam Premier Outlet and a Feast/Christian mass held at the Department of
4 Mental Health and Substance Abuse; and

5 **WHEREAS**, the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse
6 celebrates "Mental Health Awareness Month" each year in May to raise
7 awareness of mental health and eliminate discrimination against people with
8 mental illness; and now, therefore, be it

9 **RESOLVED**, that *I Mina' Bente Ocho Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby,
10 on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the people of Guam, express their
11 support of the dedicated, passionate, and hardworking employees of the
12 Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse, and does pay tribute to
13 them during "Mental Health Awareness Month"; and be it further

14 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairman of the Committee on
15 Health and Human Services certify, and the Secretary of the Legislature attest
16 to, the adoption hereof and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to
17 Mr. Pete Roberto, Director of the Department of Mental Health and Substance
18 Abuse; to Ms. Bernie Grajek, Chairperson, Mental Health Planning Council;
19 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 MAY, 2005.

MARK FORBES
Speaker

EDWARD J. B. CALVO
Secretary of the Legislature

