


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

Executive Committee
Resolution No. 38

Introduced by:

Mike Cruz
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Relative to recognizing and honoring Dr. and Mrs. Noel Concepcion, both formerly from Guam, for their participation and initiative to bring medical professionals from the Valley Heart Associates and the Medical Relief Foundation of Modesto, California, to Guam during the period of May 1-15, 2005, to provide free open-heart surgery to the medically indigent and critically ill heart patients at the Guam Memorial Hospital (GMH), as the start of a comprehensive, high quality cardiac program, hereinafter called the Guam Heart Project.

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

3 **WHEREAS,** Dr. Noel Concepcion is a native son of Guam and a cardiovascular
4 surgeon who has taken the lead role to bring home a group of highly skilled and
5 experienced medical professionals in what the Guam Memorial Hospital Authority calls
6 one of the "largest philanthropic efforts in Guam's Health Care history"; and

7 **WHEREAS,** Dr. Noel Concepcion is the son of the late Doctor Leon Concepcion, a
8 pediatrician for over twenty years, and Orenicia Liwanag Concepcion, herself a pharmacist,
9 who owned and operated the St. Anthony's Clinic in Tamuning, Guam; and

10 **WHEREAS,** Dr. Noel Concepcion attended Cathedral Grade School in Hagåtña and
11 graduated from Father Duenas Memorial School in Mangilao, Guam; and

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1 **WHEREAS**, Dr. Concepcion attended medical school and did his internship at the
2 University of Hawaii, John A. Burns School of Medicine in Honolulu, Hawaii; and

3 **WHEREAS**, Dr. Concepcion did residency at the University of Hawaii, John A.
4 Burns School of Medicine, Integrated Surgical Program in Honolulu, Hawaii; and

5 **WHEREAS**, Dr. Concepcion received his fellowship with the University of
6 California, Irvine Cardiothoracic Surgery in Orange, California, and is certified with the
7 American Board of Surgery, the American Board of Thoracic Surgery, and the Fellow of
8 American College of Surgeons; and

9 **WHEREAS**, Dr. Concepcion is listed as a professional member with the Society of
10 Thoracic Surgeons, the Bay Area Society of Thoracic Surgeons, the California Society of
11 Thoracic Surgeons, the American Medical Association and the Stanislaus Medical Society;
12 and

13 **WHEREAS**, Dr. Noel Concepcion is married to the former Beatrice "Bea" Benito,
14 daughter of the Roy P. Benito and the late Concepcion "Connie" Martinez Benito; and

15 **WHEREAS**, Bea Benito Concepcion also attended Cathedral Grade School and
16 graduated from the Academy of Our Lady of Guam in Hagåtña, Guam; and

17 **WHEREAS**, Bea Benito Concepcion graduated from DeOcampo School of Nursing
18 in Manila, Philippines, and currently works as a registered nurse practicing in the
19 operating room at Oak Valley Hospital in Modesto, California; and

20 **WHEREAS**, Noel and Bea Concepcion have three boys, namely, Ian (25), Joshua (23)
21 and Banks (21); and

22 **WHEREAS**, Dr. and Mrs. Concepcion have resided in Modesto, California for the
23 last 14 years; and

1 **WHEREAS**, the Valley Heart Associates and the Medical Relief Foundation of
2 Modesto, California are the main sponsors of this medical mission to Guam; and

3 **WHEREAS**, the Guam Heart Project "Heart Team" consist of Health Care
4 professionals (doctors, nurses and technicians) who will perform heart surgery for up to
5 ten critically ill patients at the Guam Memorial Hospital; now therefore be it

6 **RESOLVED**, that *I Mina'Bente Ocho Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf
7 of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the people of Guam, express deep pride and gratitude to Dr.
8 Noel and Mrs. Bea Concepcion, both formerly from Guam, for sharing their time, expertise
9 and resources to help make the Guam Heart Project a reality to the people of Guam; and be
10 it further

11 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and Chairman of the Executive Committee certify,
12 and the Secretary of the Legislature attest to, the adoption hereof and that copies of the
13 same be thereafter transmitted to Dr. & Mrs. Noel Concepcion; and to the Honorable Felix
14 P. Camacho, *I Maga'lahaen Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF I
MINA'BENTE OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE ____ DAY OF MAY 2005.**

MARK FORBES
Speaker

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