




I MINA'BENTE OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN  
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Executive Committee  
Resolution No. 50

Introduced by:

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Relative to recognizing and congratulating Guma' Mami on its twenty-four (24) years of service, advocacy, and support to adults with intellectual disabilities, mental illness, and other developmental disabilities in our community and paying tribute to the dedicated employees and volunteers of Guma' Mami.

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

3 WHEREAS, it is acknowledged by *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* that the week  
4 of May 22nd through May 28th is the annual celebration of Guma Mami Week  
5 and this year's theme is "*Guma' Mami + Community = Success*"; and

6 WHEREAS, Guma' Mami is a well-known and recognized non-profit  
7 organization within our local community that is dedicated to services and  
8 supports to persons with disabilities and whose mission is to support,  
9 enhance, and improve the quality of life of persons with disabilities;

10 WHEREAS, through the talents of excellent, passionate and dedicated  
11 staff and management, Guma' Mami is able to access the private business

1 sector, local and federal resources, and consumer and family involvement, to  
2 enhance the lives of the individuals they care for; and

3 **WHEREAS**, the support and active participation of its volunteer  
4 general membership, including its Board of Directors under the guidance and  
5 leadership of its President, Mr. James E. Denney, Guma' Mami has been  
6 proven to be very successful; and

7 **WHEREAS**, in conjunction with other agencies, Guma' Mami  
8 participated in many programs, training sessions, and conferences throughout  
9 2004/2005 that impacted the movement and evolution of human services; and

10 **WHEREAS**, Guma' Mami continues to advocate on systems change and  
11 provides *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* meaningful advice on policy relevant to the  
12 lives of persons with disabilities; and

13 **WHEREAS**, Guma' Mami is an active participant in many distinguished  
14 councils, including the Guam Developmental Disabilities Council (GDDC),  
15 Department of Integrated Services for Individuals with Disabilities (DISID),  
16 Creative Funding Task Force, Guam Center for Excellence in Developmental  
17 Disabilities, Education, Research & Service (Guam CEDDERS), Guam System  
18 for Assistive Technology (GSAT) Advisory Council, the Guam Mental Health  
19 Planning Council, and the Public Guardian Review Board; and

20 **WHEREAS**, through its federal grant project, '*STOP Violence Against*  
21 *Older and Women with Disabilities*,' Guma' Mami provides prevention,  
22 awareness and capacity building activities, legal services, as well as training  
23 for law enforcement agencies in the dynamics of domestic violence and more  
24 effectively assists victims of domestic violence; and

1           **WHEREAS**, in the past year, Guma' Mami provided essential and  
2 important case management services, support groups, peer counseling  
3 services, and educational workshops to women with disabilities and seniors  
4 who are victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking, and educational  
5 classes for adults with disabilities; and

6           **WHEREAS**, in March 2005, Guma' Mami, in collaboration with the  
7 Guam Developmental Disabilities Council and Guam Council on the Arts and  
8 Humanities Agency (CAHA) coordinated an art exhibit, entitled: "On Exhibit  
9 2005: Art by Persons with Disabilities," of works by individuals with  
10 disabilities along with established local artists showing the potential of  
11 persons with disabilities to excel in the realm of arts; and

12           **WHEREAS**, Guma' Mami has pushed forward in various creative  
13 fundraising initiatives to provide financial support to consumers with  
14 disabilities; and now, therefore, be it

15           **RESOLVED**, that *I Mina'Bente Ocho Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby,  
16 on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the people of Guam, express their  
17 support of the dedicated, passionate, and hardworking employees of Guma  
18 Mami, and does pay tribute to them during Guma' Mami Week; and be it  
19 further

20           **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the  
21 adoption hereof and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Ms.  
22 Monica Limtiaco, Executive Director of Guma' Mami Incorporated; Mr. James  
23 E. Denney, President, Guma' Mami Board of Directors; Ms. Roseanne Ada,  
24 Director, Department of Integrated Services for Individuals with Disabilities;  
25 Mr. Pete Roberto, Director, Department of Mental Health and Substance

1 Abuse; Mr. Ronald de Guzman, Executive Director, Guam Housing and  
2 Urban Renewal Authority; Mr. Joseph T. Flores, Executive Director, Guam  
3 Developmental Disabilities Council; Ms. Sylvia Flores, Director of the Guam  
4 Council on the Arts and Humanities Agency; Ms. Cecilia Morrison, Grants  
5 Administrator of the Governor's Community Outreach Federal Programs  
6 Office; and to the Honorable Felix P. Camacho, *I Maga'lahañ Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY *I MINA'BENTE OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* ON THE \_\_\_\_ DAY OF MAY, 2005.**

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**MARK FORBES**  
Speaker

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**EDWARD J. B. CALVO**  
Secretary of the Legislature