

MINA'BENTE OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN

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EXECUTIVE
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Resolution No. 56

Introduced by:

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Relative to recognizing and honoring the Honorable Fidel Valdez Ramos, former President of the Republic of the Philippines, Keynote Speaker during the Filipino Community of Guam's celebration of the Philippine's 107th year of Independence.

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

WHEREAS, President Fidel Valdez Ramos is the son of Narciso Ramos, a former five-term Congressman and Secretary of Foreign Affairs, and Angela Valdez, a former school teacher and renowned civic leader; and

WHEREAS, President Fidel Valdez Ramos completed his elementary and secondary education at Lingayen and the University of the Philippines, respectively, received a Bachelor of Science Degree from the United States' West Point Military Academy in 1950, and later graduated with a Master of Science Degree in Civil Engineering from the University of Illinois in 1951; and

WHEREAS, President Fidel Valdez Ramos served the Republic of the Philippines for over fifty one (51) years with dedication to his country in a variety of different capacities, including the following: Second Lieutenant (2nd Lt.), Infantry Platoon Leader, Second (2nd) Battalion Combat Team; Group Commander, First (1st) Special Forces; Chief of Staff, Brigade Commander, Deputy Chief of Staff for Home Defense; Chief of Philippine Constabulary; Director General of the Integrated National Police; Vice Chief of Staff, Armed Forces of the Philippines; Military Hero of the Peaceful People Power Revolution; and Secretary of National Defense; and

WHEREAS, following his many years as a devoted member of his country's Armed Forces, President Fidel Valdez Ramos is well remembered for his ability to lead and his willingness to be led, not by astute advisors and political strategists, but by the people whom he served and served well for six years as President of the Republic; and

WHEREAS, President Fidel Valdez Ramos steadfastly and faithfully promoted the principles of people empowerment and global competitiveness during his presidency, where he anchored his government on his philosophy of people empowerment as the engine to "*operationalise economic growth, social equity and national solidarity*"; and, now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the members of *I Mina' Bente Ocho' na Liheslaturan Guâhan* recognize and honor the Honorable Fidel Valdez Ramos, former President of the Republic of the Philippines, Keynote Speaker during the Filipino

Community of Guam's celebration of the Philippine's 107th year of Independence; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Speaker certify, and the Secretary of the Legislature attests to, the adoption hereof and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to the Honorable Fidel Valdez Ramos, Former President of the Republic of the Philippines; to Ms. Nita Baldovino, President, Filipino Community of Guam; to the Honorable Teresita Mendiola, Philippine Consulate General's Office of Guam; 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 _____, 2005.

MARK FORBES
Speaker

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