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Relative to commending and congratulating Jose Gogo Tedtaotao on his contributions and unselfish devotion in sharing the art of Kyokushin Karate-Ka with Guam's residents.

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

3 WHEREAS, the art of Kyokushin is a system of combat developed on 4 the island of Okinawa. Kyokushin allows the individual to defeat an 5 opponent by the use of striking and kicking. This art was taught on Guam at 6 the Kyokushin Ka by Jose Gogo Tedtaotao; and WHEREAS, for the last thirty (30) plus years, Jose Gogo Tedtaotao's
 students have practiced hard physical training to develop this fighting skill
 This training requires strenuous physical and mental discipline; and

WHEREAS, more importantly for Jose Gogo Tedtaotao, his teaching
methods helped his students with the development of a strong character and
builds a feeling of respect toward our fellow man. His study of Kyokushin,
and instruction method proved valuable to all his students, male and female,
young and old alike; and

9 WHEREAS, Kyokushin as a means of self-defense has the oldest history, 10 going back hundreds of years. It is only in recent years that the techniques 11 which have been handed down were scientifically studied and the principles 12 evolved for making the most effective use of the various moves of the body; 13 and

WHEREAS, many girls and women have taken up Kyokushin because, in addition to its usefulness as self-defense, it is especially good for the figure. It is widely practiced by both children and older people as a means of keeping in top physical condition, and many schools are promoting it as a physical art among their students; and

WHEREAS, Jose Gogo Tedtaotao's students were fortunate that the karate taught to them emphasized character-building aspects, in which respect for one's opponent (sportsmanship) is the cardinal principle. The maxims which are taught to the students can be summarized in the following five words: Character; Sincerity; Effort; Etiquette; and Self-control; now, therefore, be it

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1 **RESOLVED**, that the Executive Committee of *I Mina'Bente Nuebi Na* 2 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the 3 people of Guam, commend and congratulate Jose Gogo Tedtaotao for his 4 contributions and unselfish devotion in sharing the art of Kyokushin Karate-5 Ka with Guam's martial arts students; and be it further

6 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairman of the Executive 7 Committee certify, and the Secretary of the Legislature attest to, the adoption 8 hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Jose Gogo 9 Tedtaotao; to the Honorable Madeleine Z. Bordallo, Guam's Delegate to the 10 United States Congress; and to the Honorable Felix P. Camacho, *I Maga'lahen* 11 *Guåhan*.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF *I MINA'BENTE NUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* ON THE 29TH DAY OF JUNE 2007.

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