

I MINA'BENTE NUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
2007 (FIRST) Regular Session

Executive Committee
Resolution No. 118

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Relative to congratulating the *Inafa' Maolek* Mediation Center on hosting its 2nd (Second) Annual "Peace Talk Conference"; and recognizing *Inafa' Maolek's* contributions to our island community in the area of "Conflict Resolution".

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

3 **WHEREAS**, in 1983, the *Inafa' Maolek* Mediation Center was founded by
4 Patrick Wolff, Esq.; and

5 **WHEREAS**, the center's initial work was to train most of the island
6 mediators; and

1 **WHEREAS**, in November of 1994, in an effort to address conflict at the
2 island's school campuses, the *Inafa' Maolek* Mediation Center offered its
3 services to the island's schoolchildren as a peer mediation program, and the
4 inaugural class consisted of thirty-one (31) students from the John F. Kennedy
5 High School in Tamuning; and

6 **WHEREAS**, within a year, the Center's training expanded to middle
7 and elementary school students; and

8 **WHEREAS**, through the years, *Inafa'Maolek* has continually promoted
9 peace and harmony within our community by offering an array of specialized
10 conflict resolution education workshops; and

11 **WHEREAS**, *Inafa' Maolek's* Peace Theatre is an innovative tool to
12 effectively apply peer mediation to a large spectrum of conflict resolution
13 topics such as bullying, suicide, sexual harassment and other social issues
14 facing today's youth; and

15 **WHEREAS**, *Inafa' Maolek* will host the 2007 "Peace Talk Conference"
16 that will focus on two (2) themes: School Violence and Environmental
17 Mediation, and will feature renowned Guest Trainers Ms. Peta Blood and
18 Christopher Moore, Ph. D.; and


19 **WHEREAS**, Ms. Blood's presentation, "Restorative Justice and Peer
20 Mediation in Schools and Preventing Violence in Schools," is timely because
21 the island's youth have returned to the classroom to start another academic
22 year; and

23 **WHEREAS**, Dr. Moore's presentation, "Mediation of Environmental
24 and Human Resource Disputes," is also timely as our island community faces
25 numerous environmental challenges; now, therefore, be it

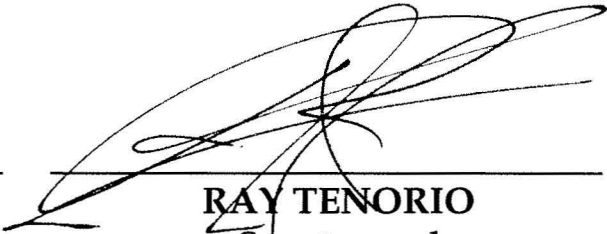
1 **RESOLVED**, that the Executive Committee of *I Mina'Bente Nuebi Na*
2 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the
3 people of Guam, commend *Inafa' Maolek* Mediation Center for its continued
4 commitment to promote peace and harmony within the community by means
5 of mediation through events like the 2007 "Peace Talk Conference"; and be it
6 further

7 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairman of the Executive
8 Committee certify, and the Secretary of the Legislature attest to, the adoption
9 hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Mr. Patrick M.
10 Wolff, Founder and Executive Director, *Inafa' Maolek* Mediation Center; to Dr.
11 Christopher Moore and to Ms. Peta Blood, Guest Trainers, "Peace Talk
12 Conference", 2007; and to the Honorable Felix P. Camacho, *I Maga'lahren*
13 *Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
OF I MINA'BENTE NUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE 30TH
DAY OF AUGUST 2007.**



EDWARD J. B. CALVO
Acting Speaker and
Chairman, Executive Committee



RAY TENORIO
Senator and
Secretary of the Legislature