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

Executive Committee Resolution No. 142

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Relative to welcoming and congratulating the Management and Staff of the Home Depot on the Grand Opening of their first store on Guam.

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

- 3 WHEREAS, the Home Depot is an American retailer of home
- 4 improvement and construction products and services, headquarter in Vinings,
- 5 Georgia and employs more than three hundred fifty five thousand (355,000)
- 6 people worldwide and operates two thousand six hundred fourteen (2,614)
- 7 stores in all fifty (50) States, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, the United
- 8 States Virgin Islands, Canada, Mexico and China; and

WHEREAS, the Home Depot the world's largest home improvement retailer, the second largest retailer in the United States and the third largest retailer in the world is opening its first store in Guam which is the second largest Home Depot in the world; and

WHEREAS, the Home Depot created nearly twenty thousand (20,000) new jobs internationally in 2006, and will be creating another two hundred twenty (220) jobs locally for Guamanians, affording our people the opportunity to work, learn, grow and excel within a company that is ranked among the top fifty (50) on Forbes Global List; and

WHEREAS, the Home Depot brings our island remarkable opportunity and graces to Guam with its reputation, stability and strength as a corporate powerhouse which includes being the fastest growing retailer to reach \$30 Billion, \$40 Billion, \$50 Billion, \$60 Billion and \$70 Billion, in sales and having over twenty two million (22,000,000) people visit the Home Depot Store each week; and

WHEREAS, the Home Depot, Team Depot and the Home Depot Foundation, showed its benevolence and philanthropic as well as patriotic spirit with its donations of one-half million volunteer hours working on community service projects across America, with \$11 Million in support, recovery and rebuilding efforts throughout the regions impacted by Hurricanes Katrina, Rita and Wilma and is the world leading employer of Olympic and Paralympics athletes and hopefuls; and

WHEREAS, the founders, Bernie Marcus and Arthur Blank, forever 1 2

changed the home improvement industry when they opened the first Home

- 3 Depot Stores in Atlanta, Georgia, on June 22, 1979; and
- WHEREAS, on November 14, 2007, the Home Depot will be opening its 4
- 5 doors of its first Guam store located at 295 Chalan Pasaheru, Tamuning; now,
- 6 therefore, be it
- 7 **RESOLVED**, that the Executive Committee of I Mina' Bente Nuebi Na
- 8 Liheslaturan Guåhan does hereby, on behalf of I Liheslaturan Guåhan and the
- people of Guam, welcome and congratulate the Home Depot, its owners, local 9
- principles, the management and staff on its Grand Opening with wishes of 10
- 11 much success; and be it further
- 12 RESOLVED, that the Speaker and the Chairman of the Executive
- 13 Committee certify, and the Secretary of the Legislature attest to, the adoption
- 14 hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Brian Lay, the
- Home Depot Guam Store Manager; to Kari Wallace, Pac-South District 15
- 16 Manager; to Grant Bickel, Assistant Protection Manager; to Agnes Perez,
- Operations Manager; to Melody Ventham, Human Resource Manager; to 17
- 18 Adam Perez, Night Operations Manager; to Rowela Balicha, Assistant Store
- Manager; to Jeff Guevara, Assistant Store Manager; to Adonis Mendiola, 19
- 20 Assistant Store Manager; to Margaret Perez, Assistant Store Manager; to Nick
- 21 Prelosky, Assistant Store Manager; to the owners Bernie Marcus and Arthur
- Blank, (Atlanta); to Frank Blake, Chief Executive Officer (Atlanta); and to the 22
- 23 Honorable Felix P. Camacho, I Maga'lahen Guåhan.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF *I MINA'BENTE NUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* ON THE 13TH DAY OF NOVEMBER 2007.

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

RAY TENORIO
Senator and
Secretary of the Legislature