## *I MINA'BENTE NUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* 2008 (SECOND) Regular Session

## **Executive Committee Resolution No. 158**

Introduced by:

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Relative to Posthumously Recognizing and Commending Sergeant Frankie Eugene Smith for his dedication and commitment to protecting and serving our community by paying the ultimate sacrifice on the job as a member of the Guam Police Department.

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

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WHEREAS, Frankie Eugene Smith -affectionately known by his family,

4 friends and fellow officers as "Smitty"- was born on Guam on August 30,

5 1972, to Frank Borja Smith and Teresita Paulino Fejeran Smith of Malojloj,

6 Guam, and was the eldest sibling of Gerald Smith and Leilani Smith; he was

also a loving husband to Tishawnna Palomo Hernandez Smith and a proud
 father to Tamara Perez and Kae'Ana Justine Smith; and

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WHEREAS, Frankie Eugene Smith, a graduate of the Guam Community
College Basic Law Enforcement Academy, proudly and bravely served his
island and country as a member of the Guam Police Department's 37<sup>th</sup> Police
Cycle and as an Army and Air Force Reservist since 1994; and

WHEREAS, the month of December, 1997, when Frankie Smith was
sworn in ahead of schedule as a Police Officer for the purpose of assisting
residents of Guam suffering from the effects of Super Typhoon Paka began a
decade of dedication to protecting and serving the community that he loved;
and

WHEREAS, Officer Frankie Eugene Smith worked hard to become a better and more complete officer, seeking and receiving extensive training in various areas of law enforcement including the detection of illegal substances, forensic scene investigation and responding to terroristic bombings; he was amply trained from various local and federal law enforcement and government agencies including the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration, the Department of Justice, and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency; and

WHEREAS, Officer Frankie Eugene Smith was an exemplary officer, receiving numerous letters of commendation and meritorious service awards for outstanding performance on the job recognized by precinct commanders, supervisors, Chiefs of Police and Governor Carl Gutierrez; Frankie Eugene Smith was dedicated to the cause and took great pride in protecting Guam's streets, a fact not lost on GPD's top brass when they specifically selected Officer Smith as a member of the Department's Violent Street Crimes Task Force (VSCTF) where he played an integral role in the VSCTF's seizure of
 almost Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000) in illegal drugs, firearms, explosives
 and illegally-gained currency; and

WHEREAS, on December 30, 2007, Sergeant Frankie Eugene Smith, a
long time member of the Tamuning/Tumon Precinct, a ten (10) year veteran
of the Guam Police Department and a tenacious law enforcer was struck by a
drunk driver while on his motorcycle patrolling his beat and responding to an
incident in the village; now, therefore, be it

9 **RESOLVED**, that the Executive Committee of *I Mina'Bente Nuebi Na* 10 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the 11 people of Guam, posthumously recognize and commend Sergeant Frankie 12 Eugene Smith for his bravery by selflessly putting himself in harm's way, for 13 paying the ultimate sacrifice of a police officer and for being a wonderful 14 example of commitment and dedication to his fellow law enforcement 15 officers, his family, most particularly, his wife and children; and be it further

16 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairman of the Executive 17 Committee certify, and the Secretary of the Legislature attest to, the adoption 18 hereof and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to transmitted to 19 the family of the late Frankie Eugene Smith, his wife Mrs. Tishawnna Palomo 20 Hernandez Smith and daughters Tamara Perez and Kae'Ana Justine Smith; to 21 his parents Frank Borja Smith and Teresita Fejeran Smith; to Acting Police 22 Chief Paul Suba of the Guam Police Department; and to the Honorable Felix 23 P. Camacho, I Maga'lahen Guåhan.

## DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF *I MINA'BENTE NUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* ON THE 10<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF JANUARY 2008.

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

FRANK F. BLAS, JR. Senator and Acting Secretary of the Legislature