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Executive Committee Resolution No. 179

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Relative to recognizing and congratulating the Guam Raceway Federation on the twenty-sixth (26th) anniversary of the Guam Smokin' Wheels.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF I

2 MINA'BENTE NUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN:

- 3 WHEREAS, in 1978, on the Windward Hills property owned by Jose
- 4 and Herminia Calvo, a small sporting concept involving offroad trucks,
- 5 buggies, motorcycles and a lot of dirt was born; it was the first site of what has

- 1 become one of the largest sporting events on island: the Guam Smokin'
- 2 Wheels; and
- 3 WHEREAS, the participants of the first Smokin' Wheels Race included
- 4 local enthusiasts and racing legends Mr. Henry Simpson, Mr. George Flores,
- 5 Mr. Bill Flores, Mr. John Camacho, Mr. Joey Crisostomo, Mr. Luis Baza, Mr.
- 6 Tom Tanarte and Mr. Dennis Quinones; and
- WHEREAS, this inaugural race was organized by Mr. Dave Eckert, who
- 8 later formed the Guam Racing Association, and with the help of Henry
- 9 Simpson, John Camacho and other racing enthusiasts and devotees, it later
- 10 evolved into the current Guam Racing Federation; and
- 11 WHEREAS, over the last two and a half decades, this extraordinarily
- 12 fun event has been a great attraction for many residents from Guam and
- 13 Saipan, promoting the spirit of competition and camaraderie and bringing
- 14 much worldwide media exposure to our island through media coverage in
- 15 off-road magazines and internet websites such as atvexposed.com and race-
- 16 *dezert.com;* and
- 17 **WHEREAS**, the Guam Smokin' Wheels, now in its twenty-sixth (26th)
- 18 year running, continues to be a hit and will once again offer a full weekend of
- 19 racing and motor sports events ranging from 4x4 mud bog races to drag
- 20 racing to motocross, featuring forty (40) international participants, with their
- 21 support teams consisting of over two hundred (200) people, and an estimated
- 22 audience in the thousands; now, therefore, be it
- 23 **RESOLVED**, that the Executive Committee of I Mina'Bente Nuebi Na
- 24 Liheslaturan Guåhan does hereby, on behalf of I Liheslaturan Guåhan and the

- 1 people of Guam, congratulate Mr. Henry Simpson, the Guam Racing
- 2 Federation, and all the organizers and sponsors of the twenty-sixth (26th)
- 3 Guam Smokin' Wheels; and be it further
- 4 RESOLVED, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Executive
- 5 Committee certify, and the Secretary of the Legislature attest to, the adoption
- 6 hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Mr. Henry
- 7 Simpson; to Mr. Robert Bucek; to Mr. Tom Akigami; to Mr. Tetsuya Yuasa; to
- 8 Mr. Ed Cruz; to Mr. Bill Windham; to Mr. Dave Ledger; to Mr. Valon
- 9 Schunter; and to the 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 11TH

DAY OF APRIL 2008.

JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D.

Speaker and

Chairperson, Executive Committee

TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES

Senator and

Secretary of the Legislature