

**I MINA'BENTE NUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
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**Executive Committee
Resolution No. 180**

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Relative to commending and congratulating the Special Olympics Guam on their Thirty-second (32nd) Annual Special Olympics Track and Field Competition and to extending *un dāngkolo' na si Yu'os ma'āse'* to the participants and volunteers of the community, government, and corporate entities who continue to support and provide services and care throughout the years.

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

1 **WHEREAS**, on July 21, 1968, the Chicago Park District and the Kennedy
2 Foundation endorsed the First International Special Olympics Games, held in
3 Chicago’s Soldier Field, hosting one thousand (1,000) athletes with special
4 needs, from twenty-six (26) states, and Canada competing in track and field,
5 floor hockey, and aquatics; and

6 **WHEREAS**, Special Olympics Guam, a non-profit organization, was
7 established in 1976, and in 1977, held its first Special Olympics games at John
8 F. Kennedy High School with one hundred fifty (150) athletes participating in
9 various sports; and

10 **WHEREAS**, the mission of Special Olympics Guam is to provide year-
11 round sports training and competition on a variety of Olympic-type sports for
12 individuals with special needs, giving them continuing opportunities to
13 develop physical fitness, demonstrate courage, experience joy and participate
14 in a sharing of gifts, skills, and friendship with their families, other Special
15 Olympic athletes and the community; and

16 **WHEREAS**, Special Olympics Guam athletes participated in the
17 Hawaiian State Games in 1978, in the 5th International Summer Special
18 Olympics Games held at the State University of New York in 1977, and in
19 1980, Guam became the first “foreign” team to participate in the Hong Kong
20 State Games; and

21 **WHEREAS**, Special Olympics Guam continues to participate in off-
22 island Olympics, including the 8th International Summer Special Olympics
23 Games held in Minneapolis and St. Paul, Minnesota, one of the largest special

1 sporting events in the world, consisting of six thousand (6,000) athletes from
2 more than one hundred (100) countries; and

3 **WHEREAS**, the island community, government, and corporate
4 organizations have supported Special Olympics Guam for many years by
5 providing more games and opportunities to improve services and treatment
6 and establishing a more just community; and

7 **WHEREAS**, in 2002, the First Annual Law Enforcement Torch Run was
8 created for the island community to foster closer relations and familiarity with
9 the heroism of our athletes, who continue to face many challenges, but with
10 their high spirits are able to prevail and continue to improve their way of life;
11 now, therefore, be it

12 **RESOLVED**, that the Executive Committee of *I Mina'Bente Nuebi Na*
13 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the
14 people of Guam, commend Special Olympics Guam athletes and volunteers
15 for providing Olympic-style sports throughout the years; and be it further

16 **RESOLVED**, that the Executive Committee of *I Mina'Bente Nuebi Na*
17 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the
18 people of Guam, extend *un dångkolo' na si Yu'os ma'åse'* to the participants and
19 volunteers of the community, government and corporate entities for their
20 continued support and does encourage the island community to take part in
21 this rewarding event to celebrate the lives of those who have special needs;
22 and be it further

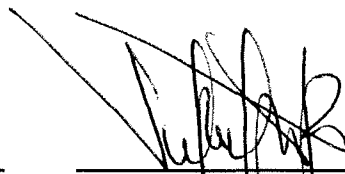
23 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Executive
24 Committee certify, and the Secretary of the Legislature attest to, the adoption

1 hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Special
2 Olympics Guam; to 3M Company; to Advance Management; to Burger King;
3 to CarsPlus and CyclesPlus; to Castro Art Studio; to Coca Cola; to Colonel
4 Mark Tally, Commander of 36th Mission Support Group; to Cost U Less; to
5 Foremost; to Fusion Dance Group; to Guam Contractors Association; to the
6 Guam Reef Hotel; to Hair Town; to Hawthorne; to J.V. International Safety
7 Company; to John F. Kennedy High School; to the KUAM Care Force; to Lt.
8 Michael Raykowshi; to Market Wholesale; to Matson Navigation; to
9 McDonalds; to Mr. Darryl Lizama; to Mr. Mike O'Brien; to Ms. Jennifer
10 Parker; to Napa, Auto Parks; to Nissan Motors; to Pacific Daily News; to
11 Pacific Islands Club; to PacSports; to Payless Markets; to South Pacific
12 Petroleum Company (SPPC); to Steel Star Production; to Subway; to the Guam
13 Auto Club; to the Guam Friendship Golf Club; to the Knights of Columbus; to
14 the Mayors Council; to the Seabees; to the UOG Fine Arts Class; to the USS
15 Frank Cable; to *Todu Mauleg*; to Victoria Printing, and to the Honorable Felix
16 P. Camacho, *I Maga'lahren 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



TINAROSE MUÑA BARNES
Senator and
Secretary of the Legislature