

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

Executive Committee
Resolution No. 195

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Relative to commending Ms. Seny Pilarca, the 2007 - 2008 outgoing President of the Guam Paradise Lions Club, Lions Clubs International, District 204, and the Officers and Board of Directors of the Association for their contributions to the betterment of our island, and to congratulate Ms. Beth Gianchand on her election as the 2008 - 2009 incoming President of the Association during its Fifteenth (15th) Anniversary Celebration.

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

1 **WHEREAS**, Lions Clubs International is the world’s largest service
2 organization with 1.3 million members in forty-five thousand (45,000) clubs in
3 two hundred two (202) countries and geographic areas, whose men and
4 women volunteer their time to humanitarian causes. Founded in 1917, the
5 association’s motto is “We Serve”. Worldwide, Lions Clubs are recognized for
6 their service to people who are blind and visually impaired. This service
7 began when Helen Keller challenged Lions to become “knights of the blind in
8 the crusade against darkness” during the 1925 Lions Clubs International
9 Convention; and

10 **WHEREAS**, Lions extend their commitment to sight conservation
11 through countless local efforts, as well as through their international Sight
12 First Program, which works to eradicate blindness. Lions also collect and
13 recycle eyeglasses for distribution in developing countries year-round and
14 especially during May, which is Lions Recycle for Sight Month, and October,
15 as a way to mark Lions World Sight Day, which is held the second Thursday
16 of each October; and

17 **WHEREAS**, the Vision Statement of Lions Clubs International is
18 to be the global leader in community and humanitarian service, and the
19 organization’s Mission Statement is to empower volunteers to serve their
20 communities, meet humanitarian needs, encourage peace and promote
21 international understanding through Lions clubs; and

22 **WHEREAS**, Lions Clubs International Foundation is the charitable arm
23 of Lions Clubs International whose mission is to support the efforts of Lions

1 Clubs around the world in serving their local and global communities by
2 funding humanitarian service projects; and

3 **WHEREAS**, in 1993, the Guam Paradise Lions Club was founded by
4 women who strive to make a difference in our island community, diligently
5 volunteering their efforts beyond the support of vision care to addressing
6 unmet health and education needs of families most in need; and

7 **WHEREAS**, the Guam Paradise Lions Club accomplished the following
8 projects with Ms. Seny Pilarca, President, and the Officers of Lions, Year 2007
9 to 2008: monetary assistance to a child who has a very rare disease for an off-
10 island eye operation and donated to the island's Sugar Plum Tree Christmas
11 project. The members also donated a Two Thousand Three Hundred Dollars
12 (\$2,300.00) Pediatric Reclining Wheelchair to the Guam Memorial Hospital
13 Children's Ward, and contributed a monetary donation to the Guam Public
14 School System Early Childhood Special Education for teaching resources; and

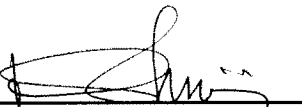
15 **WHEREAS**, the Guam Paradise Lions Club now welcomes Ms. Beth
16 Gianchand as its new Lions President for 2008 - 2009, embracing her as an
17 experienced and dedicated member of the organization; and

18 **WHEREAS**, the Guam Paradise Lions Club has served as an invaluable
19 resource for fifteen (15) years, providing local health and education services
20 that improve the lives of children and young adolescents who suffer from
21 poverty, homelessness, abuse, neglect, disease and disabilities. In light of the
22 Guam Paradise Lions Club's continued service to the island and its people,
23 recognition and commendation are in order; now, therefore, be it

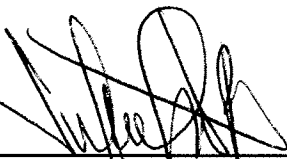
1 **RESOLVED**, that the Executive Committee of *I Mina'Bente Nuebi Na*
2 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the
3 people of Guam, commend Ms. Seny Pilarca, outgoing President, and the
4 Officers and Board of Directors of the Guam Paradise Lions Club for their
5 contributions to our island community, and congratulates Ms. Beth
6 Gianchand on her election as the incoming President of the Association
7 during its Fifteenth (15th) Anniversary celebration; and be it further

8 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Executive
9 Committee certify, and the Secretary of the Legislature attest to, the adoption
10 hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Ms. Seny
11 Pilarca, outgoing President, Guam Paradise Lions Club; to Ms. Beth
12 Gianchand, incoming President, Guam Paradise Lions Club; to the Honorable
13 Bayani S. Mercado, Philippine Consulate General's Office of Guam; and to the
14 Honorable Felix P. Camacho, *I Maga'lahaen Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
OF *I MINA'BENTE NUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* ON THE 8TH
DAY OF MAY 2008.**



DR. DAVID L.G. SHIMIZU
Acting Speaker and
Chairperson, Executive Committee



TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES
Senator and
Secretary of the Legislature