

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

Executive Committee
Resolution No. 202

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**Relative to commending and congratulating Ms. Evelyn
Taijeron Akimoto, the Guam Memorial Hospital Volunteers
Association (GMHVA) 2007 Volunteer of the Year, in
conjunction with the celebration of the 2008 National Volunteer
week and the 2008 National Hospital Week .**

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

3 **WHEREAS, the Guam Memorial Hospital Volunteers Association**
4 **(GMHVA) is a non-profit organization started under the auspices of the**
5 **Guam Woman's Club with the late Senator Cecilia "Chilang" Cruz Bamba**

1 serving as founding Charter President, with the mission and vision of
2 operating the Gift Shop, Gift Cart, Baby Photos, interpreter services and
3 fundraising to purchase durable medical equipment, furnishings, fixtures and
4 services for the Guam Memorial Hospital Authority (GMHA), Guam's only
5 civilian hospital; and

6 **WHEREAS**, the GMHVA membership consists of women who, through
7 their gift of time, talent and personal interest, have pooled their efforts to
8 provide the hospital with continuous service, as well as fundraising over
9 \$3,500,000 since its inception in April 1965; and

10 **WHEREAS**, GMHVA provided to Guam Memorial Hospital (GMH)
11 medical equipment, furnishings and services including: a stereotactic needle
12 biopsy mammography machine to detect breast cancer, a treadmill, cardiac
13 and fetal monitors, vital signs monitors, high frequency oscillatory ventilators,
14 med-infusion pumps/IVAC's, a patient transporter, a suction unit, labor and
15 delivery beds for the Obstetric and Gynecology (OB-GYN) Ward, a infant
16 transporter system for airplanes, incubators, warmer lamps for neo-natal care,
17 neo-natal monitors and life support equipment, rocking chairs for the nursery,
18 eye laser machines, a blood warmer/rapid infusion unit, stretchers, crash
19 carts, wheelchairs, trauma beds, a patient lifter stretcher, an orthopedic
20 fracture table, an automated clinical blood analyzer, portable x-ray units, a
21 swallow machine for stroke victims, ten Pulse Oximeters, portable
22 hemodialysis machines, a fluoroscopy, sleeper recliners,
23 electroencephalogram (EEG) equipment, 6 (six) stryker beds to create the
24 stepped down Progressive Care Unit (PCU) from the Critical Care Unit (CCU)

1 stepped down from the Intensive Care Unit (ICU), a mini-vision portable
2 recordable endoscopy, a laparoscope, various anesthesia and operating room
3 equipment, a life pac defibrillator, EKG machines, portable echocardiogram, a
4 stress echocardiogram machine, a portable cardiovascular imaging system, 12
5 cardiac telemetry transmitters, numerous cardiac machines, Cardiac care
6 conference table, a Cardiac Rehabilitation program equipment, a patient bed
7 scale, a BEAM scale, bariatric beds for obese patients, durable strength
8 benches for patients with disabilities, various hospital furniture, including,
9 but not limited to, one hundred five (105) patient closets, one hundred five
10 (105) patient mirrors, thirty two (32) recliners/sleepers for patient rooms,
11 blinds, drapes, television sets, twelve (12) waiting room chairs, bassinets
12 with drawers and tables, potted plants, picture frames and matting for
13 *Chamoru* masters posters, the Healing Tree project, and many more. GMHVA
14 also provided funds for the renovation of the 3rd floor Nursing Unit, Viewing
15 Room and purchased chairs for the bereaved. GMHVA has paid for
16 cablevision services to seven areas of the GMH. Over the years, GMHVA has
17 also donated the replacements of the same type of durable medical equipment
18 that are more technologically advanced and improved; and

19 **WHEREAS**, Ms. Evelyn T. Akimoto, a retiree of the Superior Court of
20 Guam since December 1999, joined the GMHVA in the year 2000 and has
21 since logged in more than three thousand five hundred (3,500) volunteer
22 hours; and

1 **WHEREAS**, Ms. Evelyn T. Akimoto served as President of GMHVA for
2 2006 and 2007, Director-at-large of the GMHVA Board in 2005 and Secretary
3 from 2000 to 2003; and

4 **WHEREAS**, Ms. Evelyn T. Akimoto served as Editor of The Big V
5 quarterly newsletter from 2002 to 2005, Chaired the 2002 Charity Ball, co-
6 chaired the 2005 and 2006 Charity Ball and chaired sub-committees of the
7 Solicitation, Souvenir Booklet, Advertising and Publicity, pioneered
8 GMHVA's participation in the Macy's Shop-for-a-Cause in 2007, which placed
9 the GMHVA in the top ten (10) in card sales netting additional revenue
10 streams for the organization from sales of the cards and a bonus from Macy's
11 Corporate headquarters in San Francisco, California, and pioneered the
12 GMHVA June 18 to July 25, 2004, Liberation Day Carnival "Novelty Sales"
13 and "Scratch-to-Win" Raffle tickets; and

14 **WHEREAS**, during the tenure of Ms. Evelyn T. Akimoto with the
15 GMHVA and owing to her direct efforts, the GMHVA donated \$677,165 in
16 durable medical equipment, supplies, furnishings, fixtures and services to
17 GMH; and

18 **WHEREAS**, National Volunteer Week was celebrated from April 27 to
19 May 3, 2008 and National Hospital Week is celebrated from May 11 to 17,
20 2008, and in conjunction with those celebrations, the GMHVA has duly
21 nominated and elected the 2007 Volunteer of the Year according to various
22 established criteria, the member's accomplishments and by popular vote; and

23 **WHEREAS**, the GMHVA duly elected Ms. Evelyn T. Akimoto as their
24 2007 Volunteer of the Year in recognition of her many achievements,

1 accomplishments and accolades, since becoming a member in the year 2000;
2 now, therefore, be it

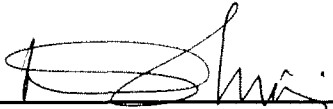
3 **RESOLVED**, that the Executive Committee of *I Mina'Bente Nuebi Na*
4 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the
5 people of Guam, commend Ms. Evelyn T. Akimoto for her many
6 achievements, accomplishments and accolades, and does further hereby
7 congratulate her for being chosen the 2007 Volunteer of the Year of the
8 GMHVA; and be it further

9 **RESOLVED**, that the Executive Committee of *I Mina'Bente Nuebi Na*
10 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* this
11 Resolution does also serve to recognize Ms. Evelyn T. Akimoto for her
12 contributions as well as the rest of the members of GMHVA in for tireless
13 efforts, civic responsibility and tremendous humanitarian efforts to raise
14 funds and serve GMH, Guam's only civilian hospital serving the people of
15 Guam and surrounding insular areas according to the GMHVA mission and
16 vision; and further be it

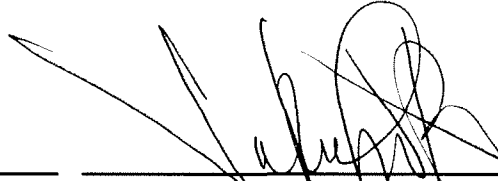
17 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Executive
18 Committee certify, and the Secretary of the Legislature attest to, the adoption
19 hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Ms. Evelyn T.
20 Akimoto, the 2007 GMHVA Volunteer of the Year; to Mrs. Dorothy R. Borlas,
21 2008 GMHVA President; to Mrs. Beverly A. Lotz, Secretary of the GMHVA for
22 the archives of the GMHVA; to Mr. Peter J. Camacho, Administrator of the

- 1 Guam Memorial Hospital; and to the Honorable Felix P. Camacho, I
- 2 *Maga'lahaen Guåhan.*

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF I MINA'BENTE NUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE 9TH 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