

I MINA'BENTE NUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
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Executive Committee
Resolution No. 206

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Relative to recognizing and commending Chief Petty Officer Douglas Samp, United States Coast Guard, for his outstanding contributions to the safety of Guam's residents and visitors through his work with the Search and Rescue Service (SAR) Group Guam.

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

3 **WHEREAS, Chief Petty Officer Douglas Samp was assigned to Coast**
4 **Guard Sector Guam as its Communications Unit Supervisor from July 2005**

1 through July 2007, and currently serves as the Command Center Supervisor
2 from July 2007 until June 2008; and

3 **WHEREAS**, Chief Petty Officer Samp was assigned to be the Chairman,
4 SAR Group Guam, from July 2007-June 2008, and is tasked with the
5 organization and coordination of the SAR Group Guam, a multi-agency SAR
6 training and response coordination organization; and

7 **WHEREAS**, after identifying the poor VHF radio coverage along
8 seventy-five percent (75%) of Guam's coastline, Chief Petty Officer Samp
9 successfully secured funds to create a portable communications "go-kit" that
10 provided on-scene VHF and satellite communications; and

11 **WHEREAS**, the go-kit was deployed on eighteen (18) missions for a
12 total of twenty-four (24) days, resulting in unified efforts amongst the Coast
13 Guard, the U.S. Navy, the Guam Fire Department, the Guam Police
14 Department, and other SAR response agencies, and also realizing a
15 streamlining of operations and the elimination of duplicated effort; and

16 **WHEREAS**, as Chairman of SAR Group Guam, Chief Petty Officer
17 Samp saw the need to expand the group's membership and invited the
18 government of Guam's Department of Parks and Recreation Lifeguards and
19 the Air Force Rescue unit at Andersen AFB to become members; and

20 **WHEREAS**, recognizing the need to upgrade the skills of Guam's
21 lifeguard services to provide improved water safety response for residents
22 and visitors alike, he was able to lobby and convince the Guam Visitors
23 Bureau to underwrite a portion of the costs of providing personal watercraft

1 and open ocean lifeguard training for local agencies by world class lifeguards
2 from the states of Hawaii and California; and

3 **WHEREAS**, all of the efforts put forth by Chief Petty Officer Samp have
4 not only increased the level of lifesaving services on Guam, but have also
5 highlighted the need to share resources and training techniques across the
6 units deployed throughout the island; now, therefore, be it

7 **RESOLVED**, that the Executive Committee of *I Mina'Bente Nuebi Na*
8 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the
9 people of Guam, recognize Chief Petty Officer Douglas Samp, United States
10 Coast Guard, for his outstanding contributions to the safety of Guam's
11 residents and visitors through his work with the Search and Rescue Service
12 (SAR) Group Guam; and be it further

13 **RESOLVED**, that the Executive Committee of *I Mina'Bente Nuebi Na*
14 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the
15 people of Guam, commend Chief Petty Officer Samp for taking the initiative
16 to go beyond his official duties and responsibilities by spearheading the
17 upgrading of skills of Guam's lifesaving services; and be it further

18 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairman of the Executive
19 Committee certify, and the Secretary of the Legislature attest to, the adoption
20 hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Chief Petty
21 Officer Douglas Samp, Command Center Supervisor, US Coast Guard Sector
22 Guam; to LT. Marcus Hirschberg, Command Center Chief, U.S. Coast Guard
23 Sector Guam; to the Guam Visitors Bureau; to the members of the SAR Group
24 Guam; and to the Honorable Felix P. Camacho, *I Maga'lahaen Guåhan*.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
OF *I MINA'BENTE NUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN* ON THE 16TH
DAY OF MAY 2008.



Dr. DAVID L.G. SHIMIZU
Acting Speaker and
Chairman, Executive Committee



TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES
Senator and
Secretary of the Legislature