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

Executive Committee Resolution No. 223

Introduced by:

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Relative to honoring and recognizing the late Army Sergeant Brian Steven Leon Guerrero for his unselfish service to the United States of America and the people of Guam, and making the ultimate sacrifice on July 10, 2008 while serving in the United States Armed Forces in combat, and to extending a heartfelt *si Yu'os ma'åse'* and sincere condolences to his wife Mrs. Emely Gianchand Leon Guerrero, his family, and all of their relatives and friends.

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

WHEREAS, Army Sergeant Brian Steven Leon Guerrero was born on
October 12, 1973, in Tamuning, Guam; his parents are Mr. Pedro D.L.G.
Pangelinan, and Mrs. Rosita Leon Guerrero Pangelinan and Mr. Gil C. Lujan;
and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Brian Steven Leon Guerrero is married to Emely
Gianchand Leon Guerrero and together they have six (6) children: Karl Brian,
Karian Kama, Brian Keoni, newborn son Jude Steven, and stepchildren Julian
Brian and Maely Emelle; and

11 WHEREAS, Brian, also known as "LG" to friends and family, 12 graduated from the Guam Community College in Mangilao and 13 subsequently, on March 30, 1998, he enlisted in the Guam Army National 14 Guard; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Leon Guerrero attended Advanced Individual
Training at Fort Benning, Georgia, where he was awarded the primary MOS
of 11B – Infantryman; and

18 WHEREAS, SGT Leon Guerrero had been assigned to Alpha Company,
19 1-294th Infantry Regiment since November 25, 1998; and

WHEREAS, SGT Leon Guerrero was first deployed in support of the
Global War on Terrorism on April 19, 2004, serving through July 28, 2005, in
Djibouti, Africa and during Operation Enduring Freedom IV-V on February 6,

SGT Leon Guerrero returned to Dijbouti, Africa with Team Charlie and
 served until June 13, 2007; and

WHEREAS, on December 1, 2007, Sergeant Brian Steven Leon Guerrero began serving, in what became his final deployment, when his company was assigned to the 503d Military Police Battalion (Airborne) and was ordered to Afghanistan in support of the Global War on Terrorism during Operation Enduring Freedom VIII-X; and

8 WHEREAS, on July 10, 2008, while performing duties as a Truck 9 Commander and Team Leader on a joint combat patrol with the Afghanistan 10 National Police in Kushamond District, SGT Leon Guerrero's vehicle hit an 11 improvised explosive device, resulting in SGT Leon Guerrero dying a hero's 12 death in defense of our Nation; and

13 WHEREAS, SGT Leon Guerrero's awards and decorations include the Bronze Star Medal (posthumously awarded), Purple Heart (posthumously 14 awarded), Army Commendation Medal, Army Achievement Medal (1st 15 16 OLC), Joint Meritorious Unit Award, Army Good Conduct Medal, National 17 Defense Service Medal, Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, 18 Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Army Service Ribbon, Afghan Campaign Medal, Overseas Service Ribbon (3rd award), Armed Forces 19 20 Reserve Medal with M-Device (2nd award), Overseas Service Bar (5th award), 21 and the Combat Infantry Badge; and

WHEREAS, SGT Leon Guerrero will be missed but will never be forgotten and his legacy lives on through his honorable service to God, Country and Family as he joins his fallen comrades before him to watch over their brothers and sisters in arms assigned to the Guam National Guard's
 Alpha Company and all enlisted service members of our Nation's Armed
 Forces; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Executive Committee of *I Mina'Bente Nuebi Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the people of Guam, join our island community in paying tribute to the late Army Sergeant Brian Steven Leon Guerrero, an outstanding young man who cared for his country and his island, and now becomes one of America's heroes who made the ultimate sacrifice; and be it further

10 **RESOLVED**, that the Executive Committee of *I Mina'Bente Nuebi Na* 11 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the 12 people of Guam, honor Army Sergeant Brian Steven Leon Guerrero for his 13 unselfish service to the United States of America and the people of Guam, and 14 for making the ultimate sacrifice, on July 10, 2008, while serving in the United 15 States Armed Forces in combat; 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 a heartfelt *Si Yu'os Ma'ase* and its sincere condolences 19 to his wife, Mrs. Emely Gianchand Leon Guerrero and their children, to his 20 parents Mr. Pedro D.L.G. Pangelinan, and Mrs. Rosita Leon Guerrero 21 Pangelinan and Mr. Gil C. Lujan, to all his siblings, and to all of Sergeant Leon 22 Guerrero's extended family, friends and fellow soldiers; and be it further

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

1 hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to his wife, Mrs.

2 Emely Gianchand Leon Guerrero; to his parents, Mr. Pedro D.L.G. Pangelinan

3 and Mrs. Rosita Leon Guerrero Pangelinan and Mr. Gil C. Lujan; to Major

- 4 General Donald J. Goldhorn, Adjutant General, Guam National Guard; to the
- 5 Honorable Madeleine Z. Bordallo, Member of Congress, U.S. House of
- 6 Representatives; 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 25TH DAY OF JULY 2008.

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

TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES Senator and Secretary of the Legislature