

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

**Executive Committee
Resolution No. 224**

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Relative to honoring and recognizing the late Army Sergeant Samson Augusto Mora for his unselfish service to the United States of America and the people of Guam, for making the ultimate sacrifice on July 10, 2008, while serving in the United States Armed Forces in combat, and extending a heartfelt *Si Yu'os Ma'åse'* and sincere condolences to his parents, Abraham and Angelina Mora, 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:***

3 **WHEREAS,** Army Sergeant Samson Augusto Mora was born on August
4 13, 1979 to Abraham and Angelina Mora, formerly from the village of Agana
5 Heights. He has two (2) brothers, Air Force Reserve Master Sergeant
6 Abraham Jr. and Army Major Michael Mora, a sister, Ms. Katherine Mora
7 Aquino, and is engaged to Ms. Rosanna Castro; and

8 **WHEREAS,** Sergeant Mora's family currently reside in the village of
9 Dededo. He is a 1997 graduate of Simon Sanchez High School and enlisted in
10 the Guam Army National Guard on July 18, 2002; and

11 **WHEREAS,** shortly after Basic Training, SGT Mora attended Advanced
12 Individual Training at Fort Bliss, Texas, where he was awarded the primary
13 MOS of 88M - Vehicle Driver; and

14 **WHEREAS,** Sergeant Mora was assigned to Service Detachment, 1-
15 294th Infantry Regiment from May 3, 2003 to June 5, 2006, and he was later a
16 member of Foxtrot Company, 297th BSB, 207th IBCT from June 5, 2006 to
17 November 30, 2007; and

18 **WHEREAS,** Sergeant Samson Augusto Mora was then transferred to
19 Alpha Company, 1-294th Infantry Regiment on December 1, 2007, in order to
20 deploy to Afghanistan in support of the Global War on Terrorism during
21 Operation Enduring Freedom VIII-X, with his company being assigned to the
22 503rd Military Police Battalion (Airborne); and

1 **WHEREAS**, on July 10, 2008, while performing duties as a driver on a
2 joint combat patrol with the Afghanistan National Police in Kushamond
3 District, SGT Mora’s vehicle hit an improvised explosive device, resulting in
4 SGT Mora dying a hero’s death in defense of our nation; and

5 **WHEREAS**, SGT Mora’s awards and decorations include: the Bronze
6 Star Medal (posthumously awarded), Purple Heart (posthumously awarded),
7 Army Commendation Medal, Army Achievement Medal (1st OLC), Army
8 Good Conduct Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Global War on
9 Terrorism Service Medal, Afghan Campaign Medal, Army Service Ribbon,
10 Overseas Service Ribbon, Armed Forces Reserve Medal with M-Device,
11 Overseas Service Bar, and the Combat Action Badge; and

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

18 **RESOLVED**, that the Executive Committee of *I Mina'Bente Nuebi Na*
19 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* joins our island community in paying tribute to the late
20 Sergeant Samson Augusto Mora, an outstanding young man who cared for
21 his country and his island, and now becomes one of America's heroes who
22 made the ultimate sacrifice; and be it further

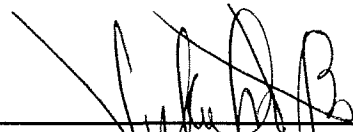
1 **RESOLVED**, that the Executive Committee of *I Mina'Bente Nuebi Na*
2 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the
3 people of Guam, honor the late Sergeant Samson Augusto Mora for his
4 unselfish service to the United States of America and the people of Guam, and
5 for making the ultimate sacrifice on July 10, 2008, while serving in the United
6 States Armed Forces in combat; and be it further

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, extend a heartfelt *Si Yu'os Ma'ase* and its sincere condolences
10 to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Abraham and Angelina Mora, his two (2)
11 brothers Abraham Jr., and Michael, his sister, Katherine, his fiancé, Ms.
12 Rosanna Castro, and to all of Sergeant Mora's extended family, friends and
13 fellow soldiers; and be it further

14 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Executive
15 Committee certify, and the Secretary of the Legislature attest to, the adoption
16 hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to his parents Mr.
17 and Mrs. Abraham and Angelina Mora; to his brothers, Air Force Reserve
18 Master Sergeant Abraham Jr. and Army Major Michael Mora; to his sister
19 Katherine Mora Aquino; to his fiancé, Ms. Rosanna Castro; to Major General
20 Donald J. Goldhorn, Adjutant General, Guam National Guard; to the
21 Honorable Madeleine Z. Bordallo, Member of Congress, U.S. House of
22 Representatives; 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 25TH
DAY OF JULY 2008.**

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



TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES
Senator and
Secretary of the Legislature