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Executive Committee Resolution No. 224

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Relative to honoring and recognizing 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, Angelina Mora, family, and all of their relatives and friends.

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

- WHEREAS, Army Sergeant Samson Augusto Mora was born on August 3
- 13, 1979, to Abraham and Angelina Mora, formerly from the village of Agana 4
- 5 Heights. He has one (1) brother, Abraham Jr., and is engaged to Ms. Rosanna
- 6 Castro; and

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- 7 WHEREAS, Sergeant Mora's family is currently residing in the village
- of Dededo. He is a 1997 graduate of Simon Sanchez High School and enlisted 8
- 9 in the Guam Army National Guard on July 18, 2002; and
- 10 WHEREAS, shortly after Basic Training, SGT Mora attended Advanced
- 11 Individual Training at Fort Bliss, Texas, where he was awarded the primary
- 12 MOS of 88M - Vehicle Driver; and
- WHEREAS, Sergeant Mora was assigned to Service Detachment, 1-13
- 14 294th Infantry Regiment from May 3, 2003, to June 5, 2006, and he was later a
- member of Foxtrot Company, 297th BSB, 207th IBCT from June 5, 2006 to 15
- November 30, 2007; and 16
- WHEREAS, Sergeant Samson Augusto Mora was then transferred to 17
- Alpha Company, 1-294th Infantry Regiment on December 1, 2007, in order to 18
- deploy to Afghanistan in support of the Global War on Terrorism during 19
- 20 Operation Enduring Freedom VIII-X, with his company being assigned to the
- 21 503rd Military Police Battalion (Airborne); and
- 22 WHEREAS, on July 10, 2008, while performing duties as a driver on a
- 23 joint combat patrol with the Afghanistan National Police in Kushamond

- 1 District, SGT Mora's vehicle hit an improvised explosive device, resulting in
- 2 SGT Mora dying a hero's death in defense of our Nation; and
- 3 WHEREAS, SGT Mora's Awards and Decorations include: the Bronze
- 4 Star Medal (Posthumously Awarded), Purple Heart (Posthumously Awarded)
- 5 Army Commendation Medal, Army Achievement Medal (1st OLC), Army
- 6 Good Conduct Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Global War on
- 7 Terrorism Service Medal, Afghan Campaign Medal, Army Service Ribbon,
- 8 Overseas Service Ribbon, Armed Forces Reserve Medal with M-Device,
- 9 Overseas Service Bar, and the Combat Action Badge; and
- 10 WHEREAS, SGT Mora will be missed but will never be forgotten and
- 11 his legacy lives on through his honorable service to God, country and family
- 12 as he joins his fallen comrades before him to watch over their brothers and
- 13 sisters in arms assigned to the Guam National Guard's Alpha Company and
- 14 all enlisted service members of our Nation's Armed Forces; now, therefore, be
- 15 it
- RESOLVED, that the Executive Committee of I Mina' Bente Nuebi Na
- 17 Liheslaturan Guåhan joins our island community in paying tribute to the late
- 18 Sergeant Samson Augusto Mora, an outstanding young man who cared for
- 19 his country and his island, and now becomes one of America's heroes who
- 20 made the ultimate sacrifice; and be it further
- 21 **RESOLVED**, that the Executive Committee of I Mina'Bente Nuebi Na
- 22 Liheslaturan Guåhan does hereby, on behalf of I Liheslaturan Guåhan and the
- 23 people of Guam, honor the late Sergeant Samson Augusto Mora for his
- 24 unselfish service to the United States of America and the people of Guam, and

1 for making the ultimate sacrifice on July 10, 2008, while serving in the United

2 States Armed Forces in combat; and be it further

3 **RESOLVED**, that the Executive Committee of I Mina'Bente Nuebi Na

4 Liheslaturan Guåhan does hereby, on behalf of I Liheslaturan Guåhan the people

of Guam, extend a heartfelt Si Yu'os Ma'ase and its sincere condolences to his

6 parents, Mr. and Mrs. Abraham and Angelina Mora; his brother, Abraham Jr.;

and his fiancé, Ms. Rosanna Castro; and to all of Sergeant Mora's extended

8 family, friends and fellow soldiers; and be it further

9 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Executive

Committee certify, and the Secretary of the Legislature attest to, the adoption

hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to his parents,

12 Mr. and Mrs. Abraham and Angelina Mora; to his brother, Abraham Jr.; to his

13 fiancé, Ms. Rosanna Castro; to Major General Donald J. Goldhorn, Adjutant

14 General, Guam National Guard; to the Honorable Madeleine Z. Bordallo,

15 Member of Congress, U.S. House of Representatives; and to the Honorable

16 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.

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DR. DAVID L.G. SHIMIZU

Acting Speaker and

Chairperson, Executive Committee

TINA ROSE MŲÑA BARNES

Senator and

Secretary of the Legislature