

I MINA'BENTE NUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
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Executive Committee
Resolution No. 257

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Relative to congratulating and commending Dr. Robert Laird Hanson for his contributions in educating the community on the prevention and control of diabetes, and to welcoming him to Guam as a Guest Speaker at the Ninth (9th) Annual Guam Diabetes Association Conference.

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

3 **WHEREAS, Mr. Robert Laird Hanson, M.D., M.P.H., is currently a Staff**
4 **Scientist and Head of the Genetic Epidemiology and Statistics Unit of the**

1 Diabetes Epidemiology and Clinical Research Section – National Institute of
2 Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases in Phoenix, Arizona; and

3 **WHEREAS**, Dr. Hanson received his B.A. degree in Chemistry in 1982
4 from the University of Kansas, his Doctorate of Medicine degree from the
5 University of Kansas Medical School in 1986, and his M.P.H. degree from
6 Columbia University in 1991; and

7 **WHEREAS**, Dr. Hanson performed his residency at the University
8 Hospital at the State University of New York, Stony Brook in Internal
9 Medicine and at the Department of Preventive Medicine at the State
10 University of New York, Stony Brook in Preventive Medicine and Public
11 Health; and

12 **WHEREAS**, Dr. Hanson, throughout his academic career, has been
13 recognized for his academic abilities with membership in the National Honor
14 Society, Phi Beta Kappa, Alpha Omega Alpha, recognition as a Summerfield
15 Scholar at the University of Kansas, and graduated from the College of Liberal
16 Arts and Sciences at the University of Kansas “with highest distinction”; and

17 **WHEREAS**, some of Dr. Hanson’s professional responsibilities include,
18 from 2000 to present, Co-Investigator – Family Investigation of Nephropathy
19 and Diabetes – Phoenix American Indian Center (NIH/NDDK/DAES) in
20 Phoenix, Arizona; from 1996 to present, Co-Investigator – Diabetes Prevention
21 Program, and Principal Investigator of Ancillary Study to Assess Visceral Fat
22 – Southwest American Indian Center (NIH/NDDK/DAES) in Phoenix,

1 Arizona; from 1992 to present, Clinical Internist – Volunteer – Outpatient
2 Clinic, Hu-Hu-Kam Memorial Hospital; and

3 **WHEREAS**, Dr. Hanson is a member of several prestigious
4 organizations in his field, including, the American College of Physicians, the
5 American Public Health Association, the Society for Epidemiologic Research,
6 and the International Genetic Epidemiology Society; and

7 **WHEREAS**, Dr. Hanson has an extensive activity of research to include,
8 Design of a synthetic vaccine to stimulate mucosal immunity using a
9 conjugate of the B subunit of cholera toxin and horseradish peroxidase (1983 -
10 Medical student summer research project, Sponsor: John F. Halsey, PhD
11 Department of Biochemistry University of Kansas Medical Center), Assisting
12 in the analysis of the Long Island Breast Cancer Study in assessing the role of
13 exogenous hormones as a risk factor for carcinoma of the female breast (1990-
14 1991, Sponsor: André O. Varma, MD, MSc - Department of Preventive
15 Medicine SUNY), and Conducting epidemiologic research on diabetes
16 mellitus and other chronic diseases among the Pima Indians in Arizona, (1991-
17 Supervisor: William C. Knowler, MD, DrPH NIH/NIDDK/PECRB/DAES); and

18 **WHEREAS**, Dr. Hanson has served as a referee for various journals,
19 including, the American Journal of Human Genetics, Diabetes Care, Diabetes,
20 Journal of the American Medical Association, and Nature Genetic; and

21 **WHEREAS**, Dr. Hanson has also received additional training in an
22 effort to stay current within his fields, with courses such as, SAGE (Statistical

1 Analysis for Genetic Epidemiology) with Dr Robert Elston of Louisiana State
2 University Medical Center; Beginning LINKAGE course with Dr Jurg Ott,
3 Columbia University New York; and Advanced LINKAGE course with Dr
4 Jurg Ott, Columbia University, New York, and

5 **WHEREAS**, Dr. Hanson has presented at numerous events, some of
6 which include, “Genetic Aspects of Diabetes Mellitus in the Pima Indians”,
7 presented at the Simposio de XXV Aniversario Centro de Investigacion
8 Biomedica de Occidente Instituto Mexicano del Seguro Social, November 26,
9 2001, Guadalajara, Jalisco, Mexico; “Genetics of Diabetes in the Pima Indians:
10 Implications for Metabolic Syndrome”, presented at the American Diabetes
11 Association Symposium: Understanding the Metabolic Syndrome: Effect on
12 Diabetes and Cardiovascular Disease; December 7, 2001, Tempe, Arizona,
13 “Genetic Aspects of Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus and Obesity in the Pima
14 Indians”, presented at XV Reunión Nacional del Grupo de Estudio de
15 Diabetes Mellitus, May 21, 2005, Puerto Vallarta, Jalisco, Mexico; and
16 “Genetics of Diabetic Nephropathy in American Indian Populations”,
17 presented at the 66th Annual Scientific Sessions of the American Diabetes
18 Association, June 12, 2006, Washington, D.C.

19 **WHEREAS**, Dr. Hanson’s extensive knowledge and experience in
20 diabetes treatment and prevention will be very helpful to the people of Guam;
21 and

1 **WHEREAS**, Guam is proud and honored to welcome Dr. Robert Laird
2 Hanson to be a Guest Speaker at the Ninth (9th) Annual Guam Diabetes
3 Association Conference to share his expertise in diabetes with the people of
4 Guam; now, therefore, be it

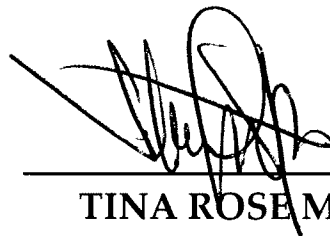
5 **RESOLVED**, that the Executive Committee of *I Mina'Bente Nuebi Na*
6 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the
7 people of Guam, commend and congratulate Mr. Robert Laird Hanson, M.D.,
8 M.P. H., for his contributions in educating the community on diabetes, and
9 does welcome him to Guam as a Guest Speaker at the Ninth (9th) Annual
10 Guam Diabetes Association Conference; and be it further

11 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Executive
12 Committee certify, and the Secretary of the Legislature attest to, the adoption
13 hereof and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Mr. Robert
14 Laird Hanson, M.D., M.P. H.; to the Guam Diabetes Association; and to the
15 Honorable Felix P. Camacho, *I Maga'lahaen Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
OF I MINA'BENTE NUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE 7TH
DAY OF NOVEMBER 2008.**



JUDITH T. WON PAT, ED. D.
Speaker and
Chairperson, Executive Committee



TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES
Senator and
Secretary of the Legislature