

I MINA'BENTE ÑUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
2007 (FIRST) Regular Session

Executive Committee
Resolution No. 39

Introduced by:

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Relative to congratulating Mr. Michael R. Ady, U.S. Small Business Administration "2007 Small Business Awards: Veteran Small Business Champion of the Year" for exceptional achievement in his respective business, and recognizing his civic contributions to Guam.

1 **BE IT RESOLVED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF I**
2 **MINA'BENTE ÑUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN:**
3 **WHEREAS,** the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) was
4 established in 1953 to provide financial, technical, and management assistance

1 to small businesses encourage their expansion and sustain their growth
2 throughout the nation's states and territories; and

3 **WHEREAS**, America's estimated 25.8 million small businesses employ
4 more than half of the nation's private work force, generate more than half of
5 the nation's gross domestic product and are the principal source of new jobs
6 in the U.S. economy; and

7 **WHEREAS**, Guam's estimated three thousand (3,000) business
8 establishments contribute forty-one percent (41%) to the island's total monthly
9 payroll, accounting for nearly forty three thousand (43,000) employees in the
10 private sector; and

11 **WHEREAS**, the SBA first opened its Guam Branch Office in 1962, and it
12 provides loan guarantees to participating lending institutions in Guam for the
13 island's small businesses, thus ensuring the needed capital to maintain the
14 viability of small business concerns, adding to our island's local tax base and
15 providing employment opportunities; and

16 **WHEREAS**, since 1990, the SBA Guam Branch Office has participated in
17 the annual, nationwide SBA "Small Business Awards" program, recognizing
18 the achievements of both Guam's small business owners and those advocates
19 of small business in Guam, and providing aspiring island entrepreneurs with
20 successful role models; and

21 **WHEREAS**, this year's "2007 Guam Veteran Champion of the Year,"
22 Mr. Michael R. Ady, President and Owner of M80 Office Systems and a
23 service-disabled Army Veteran, has been advocating for Guam's veterans to
24 become more involved in entrepreneurship as they return to civilian life; and

1 **WHEREAS**, his appearances as an energetic speaker at various
2 Veterans' events such as the Guam Small Business Development Committee
3 (SBDC) Veterans Small Business Conference and the Guam Veterans Affairs
4 seminars have made him a role model and advocate for veterans seeking to
5 start their own businesses; and

6 **WHEREAS**, his business has grown from a single room home office,
7 with one client and one employee (himself), to an established business
8 presence on island now serving twenty (20) major government and private
9 sector clients supported by ten (10) employees; and

10 **WHEREAS**, as Co-Chair of the Small Business Development Committee
11 of the Guam Chamber of Commerce, he has focused on providing more
12 training programs and seminars, resulting in a one hundred percent (100%)
13 increase in participation; and

14 **WHEREAS**, Mr. Michael R. Ady has received numerous awards and
15 commendations from business suppliers and customers alike; and

16 **WHEREAS**, his community involvement has included participation in
17 the Guam Contractor's Association, the Guam Chamber of Commerce, the
18 Guam Cancer Society and Saint Francis Church; and


19 **WHEREAS**, Mr. Michael R. Ady deserves recognition for his
20 achievements in his individual and professional capacity, representing a truly
21 outstanding example of a small business citizen demonstrating the resiliency
22 and the entrepreneurial spirit to prosper in a challenging economic climate;
23 now, therefore, be it

24 **RESOLVED**, that the Executive Committee of *I Mina'Bente Ñuebi Na*
25 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the

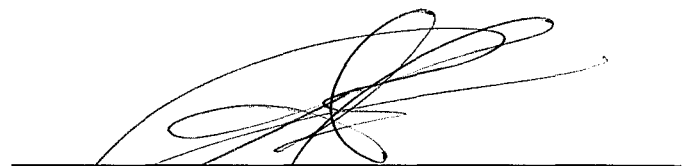
1 people of Guam, congratulate the U.S. Small Business Administration's "2007
2 Small Business Award: Veteran Small Business Champion of the Year", Mr.
3 Michael R. Ady, for exceptional achievement in his business and recognizing
4 his civic contributions to Guam; and be it further

5 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairman of the Executive
6 Committee certify, and the Secretary of the Legislature attest to, the adoption
7 hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Michael R.
8 Ady; to the Small Business Administration; and to the Honorable Felix P.
9 Camacho, *I Maga'lahaen Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
OF I MINA'BENTE ÑUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE 15TH
DAY OF FEBRUARY 2007.**



MARK FORBES
Speaker and
Chairman, Executive Committee



RAY TENORIO
Senator and
Secretary of the Legislature