

I MINA'BENTE NUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
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Executive Committee
Resolution No. 65

Introduced by:

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Relative to congratulating Colonel James J. Montague upon his recent promotion and to extending our warmest wishes for continued success in all of his future endeavors.

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

3 **WHEREAS,** the Air National Guard is an essential component of our
4 nation's military defense, and also provides security and disaster relief for our
5 country and our island; and

6 **WHEREAS,** Colonel James J. Montague currently serves as the

1 Commander of the 254th Air Base Group, Guam Air National Guard, located
2 at Andersen Air Force Base, Guam; and

3 **WHEREAS**, on April 26, 2007, Colonel Montague, the son of Joseph
4 Edward Montague and Isabel Bamba Montague, received a well-deserved
5 promotion to his current rank after many years of distinguished military
6 service; and

7 **WHEREAS**, as Commander of the 254th Air Base Group, Colonel
8 Montague is responsible for the overall command of all Guam Air National
9 Guard units and for maintaining maximum operational readiness as principal
10 adviser to the Adjutant General of the Guam National Guard on matters
11 pertaining to Air National Guard functions; and

12 **WHEREAS**, Colonel Montague joined the United States Air Force in
13 March 1978, serving in the enlisted ranks as an Avionics Navigation Systems
14 Technician, attending Avionics Navigational Systems Technical school at
15 Kessler Air Force Base in Mississippi, and continuing his quest for a college
16 degree; and

17 **WHEREAS**, Colonel Montague earned his Bachelor of Science in
18 Electronics at Chapman University, California, in 1980, and in October 1984,
19 received his commission in the Air Force as an Aircraft Maintenance Officer;
20 and

21 **WHEREAS**, Colonel Montague earned his Master of Science in
22 Management from Troy State University in Missouri in 1988, and was a
23 Doctoral in Education candidate at the University of South Carolina in 1993;
24 and

1 **WHEREAS**, Colonel Montague attended Squadron Officer School at
2 Maxwell Air Force Base in Alabama, Air Command and Staff College at
3 Andersen Air Force Base, and Air War College also at Andersen Air Force
4 Base; and

5 **WHEREAS**, during his last two (2) years of active duty as a
6 commissioned officer, Colonel Montague served as a member of the 9th Air
7 Force Inspector General Team, Shaw Air Force Base, South Carolina,
8 inspecting Air National Guard and Air Force Reserve flying units; and

9 **WHEREAS**, after almost thirteen (13) years of active service, Colonel
10 Montague separated from active duty with the rank of Captain and returned
11 to Guam in 1994 to serve in a part-time status as the Comptroller of the Guam
12 Air National Guard while holding the position of Instructor in Accounting at
13 the Guam Community College; and

14 **WHEREAS**, in 1995, Colonel Montague became a full time member of
15 the Guam Air National Guard as a Major in the Active Guard Reserve (AGR)
16 while continuing in his position of Comptroller; and

17 **WHEREAS**, in February 2002, Colonel Montague became the
18 Commander of the 254th Air Base Group, Guam Air National Guard, a
19 position in which he has continued to serve with distinction; and

20 **WHEREAS**, support for his distinguished military and Guard service is
21 provided by his loving family, including his wife Lorie Ann Hamamoto Vida
22 and their children Nicole Marie, Candelaria Isabella and Kyle Vida, and

23 **WHEREAS**, Colonel Montague has always made the welfare of those
24 under his command a top priority, supporting Air Guard Family Readiness

1 Group events and fundraisers, playing the role of head cheerleader for Air
2 Guard intramural and community sports teams and serving as a member of
3 the National Guard Association of Guam; and

4 **WHEREAS,** Colonel Montague volunteers and assists in many
5 community projects and events including membership in the Knights of
6 Columbus and participating in and supporting local runs for charity; and

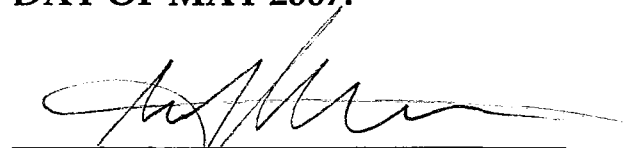
7 **WHEREAS,** Colonel Montague also devotes time and effort to
8 American Cancer Society Relay for Life events, Make-A-Wish Foundation
9 events, American Red Cross fundraisers, Big Brothers Big Sisters, University
10 of Guam Public Administration Leadership Society (UOG PALS), and
11 DODEA and other youth support events; and

12 **WHEREAS,** it is the policy of this Legislature to recognize and
13 commend excellence as exhibited by our island's servicemen, especially one
14 possessing the skill and expertise of Colonel Montague; now, therefore, be it

15 **RESOLVED,** that the Executive Committee of *I Mina'Bente Nuebi Na*
16 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the
17 people of Guam, congratulate Colonel James J. Montague upon his recent
18 promotion and extend our warmest wishes for continued success in all of his
19 future endeavors; and be it further

20 **RESOLVED,** that the Speaker and the Chairman of the Executive
21 Committee certify, and the Secretary of the Legislature attest to, the adoption
22 hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Colonel James
23 J. Montague; to the Guam Air National Guard; and to the Honorable Felix P.
24 Camacho, *I Maga'lahaen Guåhan*.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
OF *I MINA'BENTE NUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN* ON THE 15TH
DAY OF MAY 2007.



MARK FORBES
Speaker and
Chairman, Executive Committee



RAY TENORIO
Senator and
Secretary of the Legislature