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

Executive Committee Resolution No. 74

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Relative to recognizing the Guam Department of Public Works community as they celebrate "National Public Works Week" from May 20 through May 26, 2007 with the theme, "MOVING LIFE FORWARD"; and to commending and congratulating Guam's dedicated and unsung heroes that make up the staff and management of DPW for the labors that they perform on a daily basis with quiet dedication in order to ensure that our island's infrastructure is maintained and necessary services that affect our citizenrys' quality of life are performed.

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

3 WHEREAS, since its creation, the Department of Public Works ("DPW") 4 has provided essential public services to protect and improve the island's 5 quality of life and promote the safety, health and comfort of the people of 6 Guam; and

WHEREAS, the dedicated employees of the Department of Public Works
are primarily responsible for maintaining public buildings and highways,
undertaking capital improvements, collecting solid waste, and operating and
maintaining the island's school bus system and transportation fleet; and

WHEREAS, DPW is comprised of four hundred fifty-four (454) personnel spread throughout seven divisions: Administration, Building Construction and Maintenance, Highway Maintenance and Construction, Transportation Maintenance, Bus Operations, Engineering, and Solid Waste Management; and

WHEREAS, the Administration Division provides administrative services support to the Department of Public Works in fiscal management, personnel administration, procurement/warehousing administration, and safety and security, as well, and coordinates the execution of programs, goals, and objectives through creative and innovative funds management and programming; and

WHEREAS, the mission of the Division of Bus Operations is to provide safe public transportation to the island's forty two thousand (42,000) school children to and from public and private educational institutions, as well, and the men and women of the division are called upon to provide transportation
 support during times of natural disasters and certain functions; and

3 WHEREAS, the Highway Maintenance and Construction unit exhibit 4 excellence in spirit and dedication as they fulfill their day-to-day mission of 5 maintaining the island's highways, byways and thoroughfares, and they 6 perform with exceptional expertise during times of natural disasters, 7 notwithstanding the dwindling manpower and resources of recent years; and

8 WHEREAS, the mission of the Division of Transportation Maintenance is 9 to provide repair and maintenance to the Department's five hundred (500) 10 light vehicles and heavy equipment, in addition to providing like services to 11 other government of Guam entities upon request as well, and the division 12 provides fuel and wrecker support to government owned and operated 13 vehicles in times of need; and

WHEREAS, the Building Construction and Maintenance Division mission
is to provide government facilities with professional skilled services to ensure
environmentally safe and operable work conditions for our government's
workplace. Services provided include electrical, carpentry, refrigeration,
plumbing, painting and custodial operations; and

WHEREAS, the Solid Waste Management mission is to provide a safe and healthy environment through established environmental protection methods for collection of all qualified wastes for proper disposal at approved sites and the division strives to operate and maintain a sanitary waste disposal site through the established environmental protection regulations under the Clean Air and Water Act and enforce all provisions thereof; and 1 WHEREAS, the Engineering Division is responsible for the overall 2 management and administration of the Territorial Highway and Village Street 3 Program including contracts, planning, permits, design, construction, rights-4 of-way, surveying, traffic control and maintenance and rehabilitation of the 5 island's existing roadway network; and

6 WHEREAS, the Department of Public Works employees repeatedly 7 demonstrate exceptional performance and efforts which are the cornerstone of 8 the department's success and serves as the inspiration for the unwavering 9 support and unsurpassed devotion to duty exhibiting "ESPRIT DE CORPS" ; 10 and

11 WHEREAS, through diligence and consistent hard work, the 12 Department's objectives were achieved throughout the year despite 13 circumstances of limited funding and budget constraints; and

WHEREAS, the pride and professionalism of the DPW workforce
proudly emulates through the 2007 National Public Works Week theme of **"MOVING LIFE FORWARD"**; now, therefore, be it

17 **RESOLVED**, that the Executive Committee of *I Mina'Bente Nuebi Na* 18 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the 19 people of Guam, recognize and join the Guam Department of Public Works 20 community as they celebrate "National Public Works Week" from May 20 21 through May 26, 2007 with the theme, "**MOVING LIFE FORWARD**"; and be 22 it further

RESOLVED, that *I Mina'Bente Nuebi Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby,
 on behalf of the people of Guam, commend and congratulate Guam's
 dedicated and unsung heroes that make up the staff and management of DPW

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for the labors that they perform on a daily basis with quiet dedication in order
 to ensure that our island's infrastructure is maintained and necessary services
 that affect our citizenry's' quality of life are performed; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Speaker and the Chairman 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 to Mr. Larry
Perez, Director, Department of Public Works; to Department of Public Works
Employees Association; and to the Honorable 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 18^{TH} DAY OF MAY 2007.

MARK FORBES Speaker and Chairman, Executive Committee

RAYTENORIO Senator and Secretary of the Legislature