

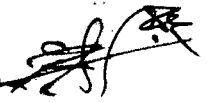
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Executive Committee
Resolution No. 161

Introduced by:

Ray Tenorio



Relative to observing Friday, January 11, 2008, as the 22nd Celebration of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. 'Remember! Celebrate! Act! – A Day On, Not A Day Off' through activities and programs honoring his lifetime of achievement for his civil rights movement.

BE IT RESOLVED BY *I MINA'BENTE NUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN*:

WHEREAS, the Montgomery Bus Boycott of 1955 resulted from Mrs. Rosa Parks being jailed who refused to give up her seat on a city bus to a white passenger was the turning point in the history of the Civil Rights movement and in the life of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.; and

WHEREAS, we are reminded of Dr. King's vision, leadership, justice for all people, and belief in racial equality could be achieved through non-violent protests, marches, and sit-ins which gained national media attention and changed public policy from segregation to integration; and

WHEREAS, non-violent protesters are dedicated to achieving this vision Dr. King set out, specifically the Civil Rights Movement to provide equal opportunities and access to education, employment, housing, recreational facilities, hotels and other areas relating to human rights; and

WHEREAS, we reflect on the great causes that gave utterance to this federal

holiday celebration in honoring Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s life, his work and sacrifices, we are mindful of the racial hate that erupted into physical violence, lost lives, destroyed property, and the imprisonment of innocent people; and

WHEREAS, through this celebration, the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Human Rights Commission in partnership with Serve Guam! Commission-AmeriCorps Program; Department of Agriculture; Department of Youth Affairs; University of Guam Success Center; Micronesia Business Association-Impact Today; Sanctuary, Inc.; *Ayuda Para I Komunidad*; to inspire, inform and raise the awareness of each citizen and encourages all to join in our continued efforts to protect, preserve, and achieve racial equality, human rights and justice for all people; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Human Rights Commission advocates for the communities participation in the celebration of the life, dedication, hard work, and vision of Dr. King in which he has produced throughout the years; now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that *I Mina'Bente Nuebi Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, observing Friday, January 11, 2008 as the 22nd celebration of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. 'Remember! Celebrate! Act! – A Day On, Not A Day Off' and that he be honored for his lifetime achievement of his civil rights movement; and be it further

RESOLVED, we are encouraged by Dr. King's vision, leadership, justice for all, and belief that challenges each one of us to refuse to rest until our Nation, our America has fulfilled its pledge of liberty and justice for all people; 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 Pete Terlaje, Department of Agriculture; Arleen Tedtaotao, Department of Youth Affairs; Bobbie Roberto, Micronesia Business Association Impact Today; George Salas, Sanctuary Guam; Claudia Taitano, University of Guam; Maria Connelley, Director, Department of Labor and Serve Guam! Commission; Peter Barcinas, Serve Guam! Commission; Doris Aguon, Serve Guam! Commission; Patrick Wolff , *Inafa' Maolek*; Art De Oro, *Inafa' Maolek*; Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Human Rights Commission; and to the 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 _____ DAY OF JANUARY 2008.

EDWARD J.B. CALVO
Acting Speaker

RAY TENORIO
Senator and
Secretary of the Legislature