

I MINA'BENTE NUEBE NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
2008 (FIRST) REGULAR SESSION

Exec. Com.
Resolution No. 168 ~~(EE)~~

Introduced by:

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**Relative to recognizing Mr. Vinancio C. Atalig, 2008
Outgoing President, AARP, Inc. Guam Chapter 4837 for his
leadership and the organizations accomplishments.**

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

3 **WHEREAS**, the membership of AARP, Inc. Guam Chapter 4837 grew
4 from sixty (60) members to the current two hundred as a result of goals and
5 objectives followed through by Mr. Vinancio C. Atalig; and

6 **WHEREAS**, Mr. Vinancio C. Atalig diligently exerted himself to have
7 the organization recognized at the national level of the AARP West Region of
8 which the Guam Chapter is a member; and

9 **WHEREAS**, Mr. Atalig, in 2006, established AARP Chapter Month
10 celebrated every September to include a proclamation by *I Maga'lahaen Guåhan*,
11 a congratulatory resolution from *I Liheslaturan Guåhan*, and a gala banquet;
12 and

13 **WHEREAS**, the AARP Guam Chapter 4837 continues its participation in
14 the Guam Liberation Day activities started in 2006; the first AARP, Inc. Guam
15 Chapter 4837 town hall meeting with high-level staff from the AARP West
16 Regional was conducted in 2006, 2007 and 2008; and

1 **WHEREAS**, the organization conducted the first gubernatorial debate in
2 2006 for the Democrat and Republican party candidates in 2006; since 2004,
3 partnership was established with the Department of Public Health and Social
4 Services, Division of Senior Citizens and continue to provide volunteer work
5 assisting with numerous functions and issues pertaining to Medicare,
6 Medicaid, Prescription Drug, and the Medicare Seniors Patrol to prevent
7 waste, fraud and abuse and annual participates in the Governor’s Conference
8 on Aging; and

9 **WHEREAS**, AARP, Inc. Chapter 4837, in August 2007, initiated
10 soliciting the services of the American Association for Public Opinion
11 Research (AAPOR) to conduct a survey of Guam Residents ages 50+ on behalf
12 of the AARP, Inc. Guam Chapter of which 800 residents were surveyed with
13 survey results indicating residents fifty (50) years of age and older are highly
14 concerned about health care coverage, becoming a victim of identity theft and
15 affording energy and utility services; and

16 **WHEREAS**, nearly three-quarters of respondents of the World War II
17 Loyalty Recognition Act survey strongly supported the survivors of the
18 Japanese invasion of Guam to receive financial compensation from the United
19 States Government; and

20 **WHEREAS**, the AARP Guam Chapter 4837 provided testimony in
21 support of Resolution No. 68 (EC) requesting the United States Governor to
22 extend the application and coverage of Medicate entitlements to eligible
23 Guam recipients who have earned Medicare benefits and who choose to
24 obtain quality health and medical services in the Philippines which was

1 adopted by *I Mina'Bente Nuebe Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* on October 10, 2007.
2 AARP Guam Chapter 4837 additionally passed a resolution supporting the
3 plight of the "Lola COLA" recipients having it published in the *Pacific Daily*
4 *News*; and

5 **WHEREAS**, Mr. Vinancio C. Atalig was instrumental in having benefits
6 extended to its members as well as to the national members of the AARP
7 living on Guam embracing the AARP Medicare Supplement Plan
8 underwritten by United HealthCare Insurance Company encompassing
9 benefits not covered by Medicare; AARP Life Insurance underwritten by New
10 York Life Insurance Company providing guaranteed coverage up to
11 \$150,000.00 regardless of health to AARP members up to age eighty (80); and

12 **WHEREAS**, AARP members now receive additional benefits coverage
13 under the AARP Lifetime Income Program designed specifically to provide
14 fixed immediate annuities backed by new York Life Insurance and Annuity
15 Corporation that help protect members against the risk of outliving their
16 savings; and

17 **WHEREAS**, the AARP Driver Safety Program taught by AARP-trained
18 volunteers was implemented in November 2007 providing a refresher course
19 for drivers age fifty (50) and older with emphasis on safety on today's road
20 conditions which upon completion of the course and certification may entitle
21 members to insurance discounts; and

22 **WHEREAS**, Mr. Vinancio C. Atalig successfully negotiated AARP
23 members discounts and services from Avis, Budget, Alamo, Hertz and

1 National car rentals and hotel discounts from Westin Resort and Days Inn;
2 and

3 **WHEREAS**, Mr. Vinancio C. Atalig acknowledges the aforementioned
4 list of accomplishments would not have been made possible without the
5 tremendous support of the AARP, Inc. Guam Chapter 4837 members and the
6 AARP West Region; now, therefore, be it

7 **RESOLVED**, that *I Mina'Bente Nuebi Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does
8 hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, recognize Mr. Vinancio C. Atalig,
9 2008 Outgoing President of the AARP, Inc. Guam Chapter 4837, AARP, Inc.
10 and congratulating members of the organization for their active participation
11 and contribution to the of our Island's 50+ and older community; and be it
12 further

13 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker certify, and the Secretary of the
14 Legislature attest to, the adoption hereof and that copies of the same be
15 thereafter transmitted to Mr. Leland White, AARP Regional Director; Mr.
16 Vinancio C. Atalig, 2008 Outgoing President, AARP, Inc. Guam Chapter 4837,
17 AARP, Inc.; and to the Honorable Felix P. Camacho, *I Maga'lahaen Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY I MINA'BENTE NUEBI
NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE ____ DAY OF
_____ 2008.**

EDWARD J.B. CALVO
Acting Speaker

RAY TENORIO
Senator and
Secretary of the Legislature