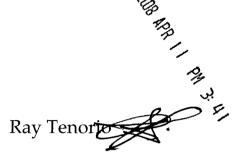
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## I MINA'BENTE NUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN 2008 (SECOND) Regular Session

Executive Committee Resolution No. 179

Introduced by:



Relative to Recognizing & Congratulating the Guam Raceway Federation on the 26<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Guam Smokin' Wheels

## BE IT RESOLVED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF *I*MINA'BENTE ÑUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN GUÂHAN:

- WHEREAS, in 1978, on the Windward Hills property owned by Jose
- 4 and Hermenia Calvo, a small sporting concept involving offroad trucks,
- 5 buggies, motorcycles and a lot of dirt was born; it was the first site of what has
- 6 become one of the largest sporting events on island: the Guam Smokin'
- 7 Wheels; and
- 8 WHEREAS, the participants of the first Smokin' Wheels Race included
- 9 local enthusiasts and racing legends Mr. Henry Simpson, Mr. George Flores,
- 10 Mr. Bill Flores, Mr. John Camacho, Mr. Joey Crisostomo, Mr. Luis Baza, Mr.
- 11 Tom Tanarte and Mr. Dennis Quinones; and
- 12 **WHEREAS,** this inaugural race was organized by Mr. Dave Eckert, who
- 13 later formed the Guam Racing Association, and with the help of Henry
- 14 Simpson, John Camacho and other racing enthusiasts and devotees, it later
- 15 evolved into the current Guam Racing Federation; and

WHEREAS, for over the last two and a half decades, this extraordinarily 1 2 fun event has been a great attraction for many residents from Guam and 3 Saipan, promoting the spirit of competition and camaraderie and bringing much worldwide media exposure to our island through media coverage on 4 5 off-road magazines and internet websites such as atvexposed.com and race-6 dezert.com; and

WHEREAS, the Guam Smokin' Wheels, now in its 26th running, continues to be a hit and will once again offer a full weekend of racing and motor sports events ranging from 4x4 mud bog races to drag racing to motocross featuring 40 international participants, with their support teams consisting of over 200 people and an estimated audience in the thousands; now therefore, be it

**RESOLVED,** that the Executive Committee of I Mina' Bente Nuebi Na Liheslaturan Guåhan does hereby, on behalf of I Liheslaturan Guåhan and the people of Guam, Congratulate Mr. Henry Simpson, the Guam Racing Federation and all the organizers and sponsors of the 26th Guam Smokin' Wheels; 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 Mr. Henry Simpson; to Robert Bucek; to Tom Akigami; to Tetsuya Yuasa; to Ed Cruz; to Bill Windham; to Dave Ledger; to Valon Schunter; and to the Honorable Felix P. Camacho, I Maga'lahen Guåhan.

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DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED	BY OF I MINA'BENT	E NUEBI NA
<i>LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN</i> ON THIS _	DAY OF APRIL	2008.
JUDITH T. WON PAT	TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES	
Speaker	Senator and	
	Secretary of the Legislature	