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

Executive Committee
Resolution No. 194

Introduced by:

Ray Tenorio



Relative to recognizing and congratulating the Guam Community College on the occasion of its 30th Anniversary and to commend its members –past and present- for contributing to the process of educating and training the people of Guam.

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

3 WHEREAS, the Guam Trade and Guam Technical High School began in
4 1959, offering students specialized training in various vocational education
5 fields; and

6 WHEREAS, in November 1977, the Guam Community College was
7 established through Public Law 14-77, which absorbed both programs of the
8 Guam Trade and Guam Technical High School as well as the Guam
9 Vocational High School of the Department of Education; and

10 WHEREAS, the Guam Community College operates secondary and
11 postsecondary vocational programs, adult and continuing education,
12 community education and short-term specialized training and certification
13 which delivers programs through satellite and on-site settings based on
14 request of business within the community; and

15 WHEREAS, Guam's only community college also serves as the State

1 Board of Control for vocational education under the United States Vocational
2 Education Act of 1946, 1963 and subsequent amendments; and

3 **WHEREAS**, GCC offers over 50 courses of study which are job related
4 and prepares students for transfer to four-year colleges and universities with
5 advanced standing in professional and technical degree programs and offers a
6 variety of community service and special programs to prepare students for
7 college experiences including English-as-a-Second Language, Adult Basic
8 Education, General Education Development (GED) preparation and testing,
9 and an Adult High School Diploma program; and

10 **WHEREAS**, for 30 years, the Guam Community College's mission of
11 serving the diverse communities of Guam, providing education and
12 vocational training as a premise for lifelong learning has yielded thousands of
13 individuals better trained, better skilled and better prepared for continuing
14 higher education, for employment and for life; and

15 **WHEREAS**, GCC has been and continues to be committed to providing
16 quality learning opportunities in occupational, vocational-technical,
17 technological, academic and continuing education reflective of our
18 community and industry needs; and

19 **WHEREAS**, the college's vision for the next 30 years includes being the
20 leader in bringing together government agencies, business and industry,
21 community interest groups and education and training entities to help
22 develop a technically competent work force of the quality and depth required
23 to attract the necessary elements to finance and create a more diversified
24 economy; and

1 **WHEREAS**, as it prepares for future generations of students, the Guam
2 Community College looks to become an institution that students, employers
3 and government leaders will seek out for technologically current training and
4 for concerns regarding employability, new technology, assessing outcomes
5 and effective planning, becoming a model to other colleges and agencies by
6 demonstrating integrity, honesty and openness; now, therefore be it

7 **RESOLVED**, that the Executive Committee of *I Mina'Bente Ocho Na*
8 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the
9 people of Guam, congratulate the Guam Community College on the occasion
10 of their 30th Anniversary, its administration, faculty and staff and all members,
11 past and present, for their contributions in the formulation, development and
12 stability of the college; and be it further

13 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairman of the Executive
14 Committee certify, and the Secretary of the Legislature attest to, the adoption
15 hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to the President
16 of the Guam Community College, Mary Okada; to the Chairperson of the
17 Board of Trustees, Gina Ramos; to the President of the Faculty Senate, John
18 Armstrong; 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
DAY OF MAY 2008.**

JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D
Speaker

TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES
Senator and
Secretary of the Legislature