

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

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Resolution No. 207 (EE)

Introduced by:

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Relative to commending and congratulating Mr. Michael W. Diekmann on the occasion of his retirement as the Superintendent for the Department of Defense Education Activity (DoDEA), and to expressing a heartfelt Un Dangkulo Na Si Yu'os Ma'åse' and best wishes, on behalf of the people of Guam, to him and his wife, Dobie, in their future endeavors.

BE IT RESOLVED BY I MINA'BENTE NUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN

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- 3 WHEREAS, Mr. Michael W. Diekmann, arrived on Guam to serve as the
- 4 Superintendent for the Department of Defense Education Activity in January
- 5 2004; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Mr. Diekmann actively served as a member of the Civilian
- 7 Military Task Force established by the Governor's Executive Order Number
- 8 2006-10 on April 2, 2006, within the Education Subcommittee; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Mr. Diekmann served as a conduit of information of best
- practices for the K-12 school system in strategic planning, horizontal and
- 11 vertical management, procurement, performance appraisals, academic

instruction, facilities management, faculty-union contract development, and outsourcing contract management; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Diekmann opened the doors of the new DoDEA schools for tours for interested personnel to showcase efficiencies in design and resources that may be used in other new schools; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Diekmann actively offered and made arrangements to transfer several school collateral equipment and 700 computers within his authority to the Guam Public School System (GPSS) to reduce GPSS costs or replace older furnishings; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Diekmann collaborated in training opportunities to include inviting GPSS and GCC teachers and administrators as well as private schools to participate in the annual DoDEA Professional Development Institute (PDI) training in support of best practices in staff development; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Diekmann always accepted opportunities to be a guest speaker and spoke at a GPSS school career day and several Rotary Club meetings; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Diekmann has been an active member of the Attorney General's task force on Prevention of School Violence where he provided information on how DoDEA schools handled such situations with their internal processes and procedures; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Diekmann served on the Governor's Commission for Teaching and Learning and became actively involved in the Hatsa Program on the island providing support and guidance to the group; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Diekmann shared information on the AVID Program, a program that prepares students to be successful in college, with key leaders in

GPSS, as well as information on the READ 180 Program which targets 1 2 students who are lagging behind in reading; and WHEREAS, Mr. Diekmann will be retiring from the federal government 3 on June 10, 2008 after 30 years of faithful federal service; now, therefore, be it 4 **RESOLVED**, that the Executive Committee of I Mina'Bente Nuebi Na 5 Liheslaturan Guahan does hereby, on behalf of I Liheslaturan Guahan and the 6 people of Guam, commend Mr. Michael W. Diekmann for his dedication, 7 leadership, and service as the Superintendent for the Department of Defense 8 Education Activity and friend to the community, and joins in congratulating 9 him on his retirement, and extends a heartfelt Un Dangkulo Na Si Yu'os 10 Ma'åse' and best wishes to Mr. Diekmann and his wife, Dobie, in their future 11 endeavors; and be it further 12 RESOLVED, that the Speaker certify, and the Secretary of the Legislature 13 attest to, the adoption hereof and that copies of the same be thereafter 14 transmitted to Mr. Michael W. Diekmann and his wife, Dobie, to Director of 15 Department of Defense Dependent Schools-Pacific/Domestic Dependent 16 17 Elementary Secondary Schools, Guam, and to the Honorable Felix P. Camacho, I Maga Lahen Guåhan. 18 DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY I MINA'BENTE NUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE _____th DAY OF MAY 2008. Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D. Tina Rose Muña-Barnes

Speaker

Senator and Secretary of the Legislature