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Introduced by:

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Relative to recognizing the many achievements of Dr. Tan Siu Lin in business and philanthropy, commending him for his contributions to the economic and social wellbeing of the people of Guam, Saipan and the pacific region and extending best wishes and hope for many happy returns on the occasion of his 80th birthday.

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

WHEREAS, Dr. Tan Siu Lin was born on the 24th of September 1930 in

Licheng District, Quanzhou, Fujian Province and is married to Mrs. Tan Lam

5 Pak Kim; and

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6 WHEREAS, in 1948, Dr. Tan Siu Lin left his hometown and joined his

father in the Philippines where began to set up his own trading business, after

which he relocated to Malaysia to run his own rubber estate; and

9 WHEREAS, in 1965, Dr. Tan Siu Lin and his family migrated to Hong

10 Kong and founded LUEN THAI SHIPPING AND TRADING COMPANY

which specialized in shipping, import and export businesses and trade with

12 companies from Japan, the Chinese Mainland, Taiwan, Guam, Saipan and the

13 nations Southeast Asia; and

1 WHEREAS, Luen Thai International Group, leaded by Dr. Tan Siu Lin, is an international enterprise with a wide scope of business covering the fields 2 3 of fishing, freight shipping, air cargo, construction, finance, insurance, hotels, tourism, hardware, rubber, amusement, footwear, real estate, aviation, retail, 4 apparel manufacturing and supply chain services employing more than 5 6 20,000 people; and WHEREAS, these business under the Luen Thai umbrella are located in 7 the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, Guam, the Republic of 8 9 Palau, the Federated States of Micronesia, and in Asian nations of China, Hong Kong SAR, Taiwan, Japan, Singapore, Malaysia, the Philippines, 10 11 Indonesia, Cambodia, and in the United States and the United Kingdom; and 12 WHEREAS, companies established and/or invested in by Dr. Tan Siu Lin and family in the Western Pacific include: L & T (Guam) Corporation, 13 14 Unity Development Corporation/Century Plaza, the L & T Group of 15 Companies Ltd. and Realty Management Services, Concorde Garment 16 Manufacturing Corporation, Century Insurance Co., Ltd. and Cosmos 17 Distributing Co., Ltd., CTSI Logistics and Century Finance Co., Ltd., POI Aviation, Century Travel Agency Inc., The Saipan Tribune, Inc., Micronesia 18 19 Fishing Venture, Ltd., Luen Thai Fishing Venture, Ltd., Alliance Paper Products, Asia Pacific Airlines, Century Hotel, Mariana Express Lines, Ltd., 20 21 Tango, Inc./Micronesia Mall Stadium Theatres and W & T International Corporation., Fiesta Resort & Spa Saipan, Fiesta Resort Guam and Century 22 Tours, Saipan Grand Hotel, TakeCare Health Systems, LLP, Tango, 23 24 Inc./Agana Center Stadium Theatres, and D&Q Company LLC; and

WHEREAS, the Tan family is engaged in over a dozen businesses in the

2 Western Pacific under Tan Holdings; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Tan Siu Lin, owing his tremendous success to his integrity, diligence, and dedication, also enjoys a very peaceful and happy personal life and has regarded loyalty, diligence and frugality as house rules and has encouraged his children and grandchildren to involve themselves in social services; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Tan Siu Lin is full of public service spirit and has occupied many important positions in various charity organizations and social groups; and

WHEREAS, because of his firm belief in education and his desire to provide education opportunities to Guam students, Dr. Tan established the Tan Siu Lin Scholarships at the University of Guam, and an Endowment Fund to maintain and support the University of Guam Library Building, now named the Tan Siu Lin Building; and

WHEREAS, though Dr. Tan is an overseas Chinese, he maintains a strong attachment to his motherland and birthplace and always endeavors to do something for the Chinese people; and

WHEREAS, in 1986, Dr. Tan founded TAN SIU LIN FAMILY FOUNDATION and mobilized all his family members to spend time with its charitable activities; and

WHEREAS, in Hong Kong, Dr. Tan donated generous funds to Po Leung Kuk and Tung Wah Group of Hospitals and was conferred the titles of Premier of Tung Wah Group of Hospitals and Director of Chung Sing

Benevolent Society; and

1 WHEREAS, since 1986, Dr. Tan Siu Lin's donations for charity and

2 social services in China has aggregated to more than RMB100 million through

- 3 the Hong Kong Quanzhou Charity Promotive Association, the International
- 4 Research Centre of Sun Yat-Sen's Ideology, funding for the repair and
- 5 expansion of the PEKING UNIVERSITY TAN SIU LIN INTERNATIONAL
- 6 STUDIES, and numerous financial grants to university students in Peking;
- 7 and
- 8 WHEREAS, Dr. Tan was awarded "The Outstanding Contribution on
- 9 Education Award" for his great contribution to education during Peking
- 10 University's 110th Anniversary celebration; and
- WHEREAS, on September 24, 2008, Dr. Tan Siu Lin will celebrate his 80th
- 12 birthday; now, therefore, be it
- 13 **RESOLVED,** that the Executive Committee of *I Mina'Bente Nuebi Na*
- 14 Liheslaturan Guåhan does hereby, on behalf of I Liheslaturan Guåhan and the
- people of Guam, recognizes the many achievements of Dr. Tan Sui Lin in the
- 16 world of international commerce and trade, commends him for his
- 17 outstanding philanthropy and numerous contributions to the economic and
- 18 social wellbeing of the people of Guam, the Western Pacific, HongKong and
- 19 China; and be it further
- 20 **RESOLVED,** that the Executive Committee of *I Mina'Bente Nuebi Na*
- 21 Liheslaturan Guåhan does hereby, on behalf of I Liheslaturan Guåhan and the
- 22 people of Guam extends its best wishes and hope for many happy returns on
- 23 the occasion of Dr. Tan Sui Lin's 80th birthday; and be it further
- 24 **RESOLVED,** that the Speaker and the Chairman of the Executive
- 25 Committee certify, and the Secretary of the Legislature attest to, the adoption

- 1 hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Dr. Tan Sui Lin
- 2 and Mrs. Tan Lam Pak Kim and their children; and to the Honorable Felix P.
- 3 Camacho, I Maga'lahen Guåhan.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY I MINA'BENTE NUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHANON THE DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2008.

JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D Speaker

TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES Senator and Secretary of the Legislature