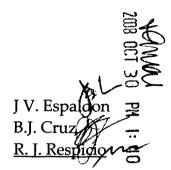
## *I MINA'BENTE NUEBI LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* 2008 (SECOND) Regular Session

Executive Committee Res. No. 251

Introduced by:



Relative to Commending and Congratulating the Guam Vet Center and all participants, sponsors and organizers on the occasion of the sixth (6<sup>th</sup>) Annual Guam's Veterans' Creative Art Showcase.

1 BE IT RESOLVED BY I MINA'BENTE NUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN: 2 Whereas, as part of its community-based programs, the Guam Vet Center hosts 3 on an annual basis, the Veterans Creative Arts Showcase, which celebrates the creative 4 talents of Guam veterans; and 5 Whereas, the Veterans Creative Arts Showcase helps promote increased positive interaction between veterans and the community-at-large, and promotes the creative 6 7 arts and multi-cultural traditions of our island and fosters closure and a sense of 8 "coming home" for all veterans, especially those who have served in battle; and 9 Whereas, the Guam Vet Center with proud sponsors, the Agana Shopping

Whereas, the Guant vet Center with proud sponsors, the Agana Shopping
Center, and the Guam Council on the Arts and Humanities Agency (CAHA) proudly
hosts the sixth (6<sup>th</sup>) annual Guam Veteran's Creative Arts Showcase from November 6 –
11, 2008; and

Whereas, the Guam Vet Center, along with its counterparts abroad are
 community based and a part of the United States Department of Veterans Affairs; and

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Whereas, the overall mission of Vet Centers is to provide the highest quality of 1 2 clinical and social services and positive a community-based activities for veterans such 3 as the Guam Veterans Creative Arts Showcase; and

Whereas, the Vet Center program was established by the United States Congress 4 5 in 1979 to address the needs of the "Vietnam era" veterans experiencing readjustment challenges; and Whereas, the goal of all Vet Centers is to provide a broad range of 6 7 counseling, outreach, and referral services to eligible veterans in order to help them 8 make a smooth transition to post-war readjustment to civilian life; and

9 Whereas, veterans have played an important role in the protection and defense 10 in the United States of America and its Constitution; and

Whereas, the men and women of the United States have proudly served their 11 country in conflicts such as World War II, the Korean Conflict, the Vietnam War, in 12 13 peacekeeping missions in Lebanon, Grenada, Panama, the Persian Gulf, Somalia, and 14 Kosovo/Bosnia, among others and;

15 Whereas, today the brave men and women of our armed forces continue to fight against tyranny and oppression throughout the world to include such conflicts as 16 17 Operation Freedom-Afghanistan, Operation Iraqi-Freedom, and the Global War on Terrorism; and 18

19 Whereas, the Guam Vet Center provides such services as readjustment counseling, marital and family counseling, substance abuse information and referral, 20 21 sexual trauma counseling and, community education and liaison with various 22 community organizations; now, therefore, be it

23 **Resolved**, that the Executive Committee of I Mina Bente Na Liheslaturan Guåhan, 24 does hereby, on behalf of I Liheslaturan Guåhan and the people of Guam, commend and 25 congratulate the Guam Vet Center on the occasion of the sixth (6th) Annual Guam's 26 Veterans' Creative Art Showcase, and all participants, and proud sponsors of the event

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the Agana Shopping Center and Guam Council on the Arts and Humanities Agency;
 and, be it further

**Resolved,** that the Speaker certify to and the Secretary of the Legislature attest the adoption hereof and that copies of the same be transmitted to Ms. Kathy Illarmo, Guam Vets Center; to Ms. Tes Reyes, Assistant General Manager and Marketing Director, Agana Shopping Center; to Mr. Patrick Bamba, Guam Council on the Arts and Humanities Agency; to the Honorable Madeleine Z. Bordallo, Guam Delegate to the United States Congress; and to the Honorable Felix P. Camacho, I Maga'Lahen Guåhan.

## DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY *I MINA' NUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN* GUÅHAN ON THE $\frac{7}{4}$ DAY OF OCTOBER 2008.

JUDITH T. WON PAT Speaker TINA ROSE MUNA BARNES Secretary of the Legislature