

**I MINA'BENTE NUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
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Introduced by:

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Relative to congratulating and commending Commander Edward J. Lynch, Esq. on his retirement from twenty-nine (29) years of military service with the United States Navy, and to express sincere gratitude for his thirteen (13) years of continuous service and dedication to the people on Guam.

1 **BE IT RESOLVED BY I MINA'BENTE NUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN**
2 **GUÅHAN:**

3 **WHEREAS,** Commander Edward J. Lynch, Esq. will be retiring on April 1, 2007
4 after twenty-nine (29) years from military service; and

5 **WHEREAS,** Commander Edward J. Lynch, Esq. is the son of Catherine and the
6 late James Francis Lynch; and

7 **WHEREAS,** Commander Edward J. Lynch, Esq. resides at 629 Ulili Street,
8 Honolulu, Hawaii with his wife Sandra and their four (4) children: Mary Catherine,
9 Mark Joseph Megan Alexandra and James Jacob Edward.

10 **WHEREAS,** Commander Edward J. Lynch, Esq. served an historical continuous
11 military tour of thirteen (13) years on Guam; and

12 **WHEREAS,** Commander Edward J. Lynch, Esq. was initially detailed to the Navy
13 Legal Service Office at the United States Naval Station Guam; and

1 **WHEREAS**, Commander Edward J. Lynch, Esq. during his assignment on Guam,
2 became the Staff Judge Advocate subsequently advancing to the position of Force Judge
3 Advocate; and

4 **WHEREAS**, Commander Edward J. Lynch, Esq. was appointed Special Assistant
5 U.S. Attorney and worked on special cases that had environmental impact such as the
6 repatriation of remains, preservation of historic land and water sites for both the military
7 and civilian entities; and

8 **WHEREAS**, Commander Edward J. Lynch, Esq. was instrumental *in Operation*
9 *Pacific Marathon*, the diversion of illegal Chinese aliens, from Guam to Tinian, who
10 were attempting to reach American soil. This action prevented further burden on Guam's
11 Financial constraints to provide housing, clothing, food and legal counsel while the
12 legalities were sorted out; and

13 **WHEREAS**, Commander Edward J. Lynch, Esq. was actively involved in
14 *Operation Fiery Vigil*, the evacuation of civilian and military personnel from the
15 Philippines after the eruption of Mt. Pinatubo in 1991; and

16 **WHEREAS**, Commander Edward J. Lynch, Esq. was also actively involved with
17 *Operation Pacific Haven*, the housing of Kurdish refugees on Guam's military bases; and

18 **WHEREAS**, Commander Edward J. Lynch, Esq. received several citations
19 including meritorious service awards for his work with the refugees and environmental
20 causes on Guam; and

21 **WHEREAS**, Commander Edward J. Lynch's, Esq. notable accomplishments
22 include fourteen (14) National Defense Service medals, three (3) meritorious service
23 medals, two (2) Navy Unit Commendation medals, a Joint Services Achievement medal a
24 Navy Commendation medal and five (5) Humanitarian Service medals; and

25 **WHEREAS**, Commander Edward J. Lynch, Esq. volunteered his service and
26 expertise to Mt. Carmel School by serving as the President of the Mt. Carmel School
27 Board working closely with Sr. Regina M. Paulino, SSND, in getting the school

1 accredited on June 30, 1999 by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges
2 (WASC), the Accrediting Commission for Schools; and

3 **WHEREAS**, Commander Edward J. Lynch, Esq. is commended by the people of
4 Guam for his exemplary work in the return of federal lands to the original owners; and
5 now, therefore, be it

6 **RESOLVED**, that *I Mina'Bente Nuebi Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on
7 behalf of the people of Guam, commend and congratulate Commander Edward J. Lynch,
8 Esq. for his thirteen (13) years of service to the people on Guam and expresses sincere
9 gratitude for his contributions to the United States Navy; and be it further

10 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker certify, and the Secretary of the Legislature attest
11 to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to
12 Commander Edward J. Lynch, Esq.; to the Honorable Felix P. Camacho, *I Maga'lahren*
13 *Guåhan*; Congresswoman Madeleine Z. Bordallo; Rear Admiral Charles Leidig,
14 Commander U.S. Naval Forces Marianas; Sr. Mary Clare M. Quichocho, SSND,
15 Principal, Mt. Carmel School; Catherine E. Lynch, mother; James Lynch, Dr. Robert
16 Lynch, Mary Jo Vogeler and Catherine Conley, siblings; and Robert J. and Rlene Santos
17 Steffy.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY *I MINA'BENTE NUEBI NA*
LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE ____ DAY OF MARCH 2007.**

MARK FORBES
Speaker

RAY TENORIO
Senator and Secretary of the Legislature