I MINA 'BENTE NUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN 2007 (FIRST) REGULAR SESSION

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Introduced by:

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RELATIVE TO EXPRESSING THE GRATITUDE OF THE PEOPLE OF GUAM TO THE MILITARY SPOUSES OF GUAM FOR THEIR UNSELFISH SACRIFICES ON BEHALF OF OUR NATION'S DEFENSE.

BE IT RESOLVED BY I MINA' BENTE NUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN GUAHÅN:

WHEREAS, in 1984, President Reagan proclaimed the Friday before Mother's Day of each year to be Military Spouse Appreciation Day; and

WHEREAS, the spouses of our nation's military personnel are among the unsung heroes of our country and our island, unselfish supporters of our national defense and the men and women who defend our freedoms and democratic way of life every day; and

WHEREAS, especially in today's post 9/11 climate, where troops are likely to be called to duty at any time, and many of our troops have served repeatedly in Iraq and other hot spots around the world, the role of military spouses is especially difficult and especially vital; and

WHEREAS, military spouses must watch a ship sail from the harbor, an aircraft disappear into the clouds, or a truck convoy pull out of sight, not sure

when they would return, and suffer countless months of worrying and being alone; and

WHEREAS, military spouses must make countless household moves from a place they know to one that's strange and different -- often by themselves; and

WHEREAS, military spouses are called upon to hold together their families, and to celebrate anniversaries, birthdays, and holidays alone; and often extend their hands to other military spouses when the need is there, truly creating a military family; and

WHEREAS, military spouses have shown spirit and strength when their service member has gone into harm's way; and have displayed pride while serving as an ambassador of the military to the rest of the world; and

WHEREAS, far too frequently, the sacrifices and dedication of the military spouse have gone unnoticed and unappreciated, but a country cannot count itself strong by its armed services alone, but must also depend on its civilians; with military wives and husbands setting a superior example through devotion, courage, and commitment, we are a nation of strength; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that *I Mina 'Bente Nuebi na Liheslaturan Guåhan* on behalf of the people of Guam does hereby express its sincere gratitude and does hereby salute the military spouses of Guam for their unselfish sacrifices and their unwavering support of our military personnel and our democratic way of life; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Speaker certify, and the Secretary of the Legislature attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be

thereafter transmitted to the Adjutant General, Guam National Guard; to the Commander, Navy Region Marianas; to the Commander, 36th Wing, Andersen Air Force Base; to the Commander, U.S. Coast Guard Sector Guam; and to the Honorable Felix P. Camacho, *I Maga'lahen Guåhan*.

	LY ADOPTED BY <i>I MINA'BENTE NUEBI NA</i> IN ON THEDAY OF, 2007.
MARK FORBES Speaker	RAY TENORIO Senator and Secretary of the Legislature