

**MINA' BENTE OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN**  
**2006 (SECOND) Regular Session**

Resolution No. 137 (45)

Introduced by:

Mike Cruz, M.D. *MC*  
L.F. Kasperbauer *LK*  
B.J.F. Cruz *B*

Relative to commending and congratulating Mr. Thomas V. Babauta for being named the "2006 Social Worker of the Year" and further commending Mr. Babauta for the work and contributions he has made on Guam and throughout Micronesia in the area of social work.

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

3        **WHEREAS,** the Guam Chapter of the National Association of Social  
4 Workers (NASW) celebrated "Professional Social Work Month" in March 2006  
5 with the annual Awards Banquet held on March 28, 2006 at the Hilton Guam  
6 Resort and Spa; and

7        **WHEREAS,** Thomas V. Babauta received his Bachelor of Science Degree in  
8 Social Work from Weber State University in 1993 and his Master's Degree in  
9 Social Work, with a specialty field of Mental Health, from Our Lady of the Lake  
10 University in 1994; and

11        **WHEREAS,** Mr. Babauta is licensed in Individual, Marriage and Family  
12 Therapy and is certified by the National Association of Social Workers, Academy  
13 of Certified Social Workers; and

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1       **WHEREAS**, Mr. Babauta is currently the program coordinator with the  
2 Division of Special Education at the Guam Public School System (GPSS) and has  
3 served as a school psychologist with GPSS since 2001; and

4       **WHEREAS**, Mr. Babauta provides services as an individual, marriage and  
5 family therapist at Family Clinic; and

6       **WHEREAS**, Mr. Babauta has been described by his staff as a truly special  
7 person who, although working mostly behind the scenes, demonstrates the  
8 strength to hold families together by providing an array of services needed by  
9 those families; and

10       **WHEREAS**, Mr. Babauta has dedicated much of his life to the selfless giving  
11 of himself to his profession while at the same time caring for his family, consisting  
12 of two (2) children special needs; and

13       **WHEREAS**, Mr. Babauta has contributed to systems change in the area of  
14 mental health and continues to be an advocate for persons with disabilities by  
15 staying involved in the disability community and by being a member of the Guam  
16 Developmental Disabilities Council; and

17       **WHEREAS**, Mr. Babauta is currently the President of the National  
18 Association of Social Workers, Guam Chapter and also serves on various boards,  
19 commissions and task forces; and

20       **WHEREAS**, the Guam Chapter of the National Association of Social  
21 Workers (NASW) celebrated “Professional Social Work Month” in March 2006;  
22 and

23       **WHEREAS**, Mr. Babauta was selected as the recipient of the “2006 Social  
24 Worker of the Year” Award by the NASW Guam Chapter and presented with the  
25 award at the annual NASW Guam Chapter Awards Banquet held on March 28,  
26 2006 at the Hilton Guam Resort and Spa; now, therefore, be it

1           **RESOLVED**, that *I Mina' Bente Ocho na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on  
2 behalf of the people of Guam, recognize and congratulate Mr. Thomas V. Babauta  
3 as the recipient of the "2006 Social Worker of the Year" Award and further  
4 commending Mr. Babauta for the work and contributions he has made to Guam  
5 and throughout Micronesia in the area of social work; and be it further

6           **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker certify and the Secretary of the Legislature  
7 attest to the adoption hereof and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted  
8 to Ms. Christina Sablan; to Mr. Thomas Babauta, President, NASW Guam  
9 Chapter; to Dr. Elvira Craig de Silva, President, NASW; to Dr. Harold Allen,  
10 President, UOG; to the Honorable Madeleine Z. Bordallo, Member of Congress,  
11 United States House of Representatives; and the Honorable Felix P. Camacho, *I*  
12 *Maga'låhen Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE EXECUTIVE  
COMMITTEE OF *I MINA' BENTE OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN  
GUÅHAN* ON THE \_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_, 2006.**

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**MARK FORBES**  
Speaker

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**EDWARD J.B CALVO**  
Secretary of the Legislature