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

Executive Committee Resolution No. <u>480</u> 14845

Introduced by:

J. T. Won Pat

Relative to commending and congratulating Mrs. Aileen Ortega Canos as a recipient of the 2005 Presidential Awards for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching as one of the top science teachers in the United States.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF I MINA'
 BENTE OCHO N A LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN:

3 WHEREAS, Mrs. Aileen Ortega Canos a science teacher at F. B. Leon

4 Guerrero Middle School, Yigo, Guam, is one (1) of only two (2) teachers from

5 the U.S. Territories and one (1) of just one hundred (100) middle and high

6 school teachers in the United States, to receive the 2005 Presidential Awards

7 for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching, the highest

8 commendation in their profession; and

9 **WHEREAS**, Mrs. Canos is described as a teacher to act as an instrument

10 of inspiration and enthusiasm to her students and to create a positive learning

11 environment through the utilization of hands-on teaching approach; and

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WHEREAS, Mrs. Canos' sincere dedication to teaching has earned her
 the admiration and respect of her students, their parents, and her colleagues;
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WHEREAS, Mrs. Canos graduated from the University of Guam with a
Bachelor's degree in Secondary Education and General Science in 1996; and
WHEREAS, in the furtherance of her quest for knowledge in school
administration, Mrs. Canos obtained her Master of Education with the areas
of specialization in Administration and Supervision and Secondary Education
from the University of Guam in 2006; and

WHEREAS, for her exemplary teaching abilities, Mrs. Canos has received 10 numerous awards and grants, including a Two Thousand Five Hundred 11 dollars (\$2,500) C.R.E.A.T.E. Grant Award from the Pangasinan Community 12 of Guam in 2004, participated in the NASA Urban and Rural Community 13 Enrichment Program in 2002, participated in the NASA Educational 14 Workshop in 2001, named F. B. Leon Guerrero Middle School Outstanding 15 Teacher of the Year in 2000, a recipient of a Fifteen Thousand dollars (\$15,000) 16 Grant Group Award from the Pacific Resources in Education and Learning in 17 18 1998 and selected as a panelist in the National Assessment of Educational Progress in 1998; and 19

WHEREAS, Mrs. Canos' concern and commitment to providing her students with the best education possible is evident by her contributions outside of the classroom, some of which are: Peer Coach for Corrective

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Reading, Advisor/Teacher to the FLGB Newsletter, Advisor to the Academic 1 Challenge Bowl, Advisor to the Student Body Association, Advisor to Team 2 8A Club, Developer and Instructor to the School Website; and 3 WHEREAS, Mrs. Canos was chosen by a panel of renowned 4 mathematicians, scientists and educators to receive the 2005 Presidential 5 Awards for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching; and 6 WHEREAS, the Presidential Awards for Excellence in Mathematics and 7 Science Teaching were established in 1983 by an Act of Congress and 8 administered for the White House by the National Science Foundation. The 9 annual Presidential Awards identifies highly qualified mathematics and 10 science teachers from all 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, the 11 U.S. Territories and the U.S. Department of Defense Schools for their 12 contributions in the classroom and to their profession; and 13 WHEREAS, Mrs. Canos and the other recipients of the Presidential 14 Awards each received a Presidential Citation from President George W. Bush, 15 a Ten Thousand dollar (\$10,000) grant from the National Science Foundation, 16 an all expenses-paid trip to Washington D.C. for a week of celebratory events 17 and a wide variety of complementary teaching tools to enhance their abilities 18 to engage and enthrall their students; and 19

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WHEREAS, Mrs. Canos, whose commitment to educating the future
scientists, mathematicians, doctors, teachers, lawyers, business men and
women and political leaders, has brought great honor, pride and national

recognition to herself, to F.B. Leon Guerrero Middle School and to the Guam
 Public School System; now therefore be it

3 **RESOLVED**, that the Executive Committee of I Mina' Bente Ocho Na Liheslaturan Guåhan does hereby, on behalf of I Liheslaturan Guåhan and the 4 people Guam, commend and congratulate Mrs. Aileen Ortega Canos as a 5 recipient of the 2005 Presidential Awards for Excellence in Mathematics and 6 Science Teaching as one of the top science teachers in the United States. Mrs. 7 Canos is a shining example of a model teacher who does not only educates her 8 students, but she also provides for them the opportunity to live complete and 9 successful lives as the future leaders of our community and be it further 10

11 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairman of the Executive 12 Committee certify, and the Secretary of the Legislature attest to, the adoption 13 hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Mrs. Aileen 14 Ortega Canos; to the F.B. Leon Guerrero Middle School display case; to Luis 15 Reyes, Acting Superintendent of Education and to the Honorable Felix P. 16 Camacho, *Maga'lahen Guåhan*.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF I MINA'BENTE OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE _____ DAY OF MAY 2006.

MARK FORBES Speaker and Chairman, Executive Committee EDWARD J.B. CALVO Senator and Secretary of the Legislature