




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

Resolution No. 165(LS)

Introduced by:

Ray Tenorio   
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**Relative to welcoming the Honorable Senator Ron Menor to Guam on the occasion of his keynote speech at the Philippine Independence Ball, and to further honor him for his accomplishments as a leader in the community and Senator in the State of Hawaii.**

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

**WHEREAS**, Senator Ron Menor was born on September 29, 1955 in Hilo, Hawaii to the late Hawaii Supreme Court Justice Benjamin Menor, who was the first person of Filipino ancestry to serve as a State Senator and State Supreme Court Justice in the United States, and Lillian Menor; and

**WHEREAS**, Senator Ron Menor is married to Patricia Ann Menor whom have three children, Benjamin, Andrew and Anthony; and

**WHEREAS**, Senator Ron Menor graduated from Iolani High School in 1973 and continued his studies at the University of California-Los Angeles obtaining a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Political Science in 1977 and further completing his Juris Doctor degree from Georgetown University Law Center in 1980; and

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**WHEREAS,** Senator Ron Menor honors include Commencement Speaker, UCLA, 1977; Georgetown University Law Center National Moot Court Team, 1979; and Semi-finalist, Georgetown University Law Center Leahi Cup Advocacy Competition in 1980; and

**WHEREAS,** Senator Ron Menor was a Law Clerk for Chief Justice William Richardson in 1980 to 1981 and also served as Deputy Attorney General at the Office of the Attorney General in the State of Hawaii in 1981 to 1982; became a private Attorney and Small Businessman in the State of Hawaii and began his political career in the Hawaii State House from 1982 to 1985 and 1992 to 2000; Hawaii State Senate from 1986 to 1990 and again from 2000 to present; and

**WHEREAS,** Senator Ron Menor currently Chairs the Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Housing Committee and is a member of the Senate's Business and Economic Development Committee as well as the Transportation and Government Operations Committee; and

**WHEREAS,** Senator Ron Menor has twenty two years of experience in the Legislature and has authored many pieces of legislation the Hawaii Rx Plus Prescription Drug Reform Law, landmark legislation for Health Care and Consumer Rights; and

**WHEREAS,** Senator Ron Menor has helped many Filipino communities outside of Hawaii by collecting monetary and household items for victims of Typhoon Pongsona in Guam in December 2003; organized a network of

Filipino Americans and friends to form the Aloha Mabuhay Tondo Victims Relief Fund Drive in 2004 to assist the fire victims of Tondo, Manila; helped the mudslide victims in Southern Leyte in February 2006 by establishing the Leyte Disaster Fund; and

**WHEREAS**, Senator Ron Menor is a member of the Democratic Party in Hawaii, District 17 for Mililani-Waipio, currently running for the U.S. House seat, if successful, he will make history by becoming the first full Filipino in the history of the United States to serve as in the Halls of Congress; and

**WHEREAS**, Senator Menor's contributions to the Community of Hawaii includes membership in the Mililani Lions Club; board member of the Mililani YMCA, past member of Mililani Waena Elementary SCBM Committee, Past President of the Mililani High School Advisory Council; Past Chairman of Mililani Crime Watch Program; in 2004 during the National Federation of Filipino American Association's (NaFFAA) National Empowerment Conference , he led a Hawaii delegation in securing Hawaii as the site for the NaFFAA 7<sup>th</sup> National Empowerment Conference in 2006. Hawaii had received a commitment from the delegates at the NaFFAA 2003 Global Convention to hold the 2006 Global Convention in Hawaii thereby both events will attract thousands of delegates worldwide reaping economic benefit to the State of Hawaii and enhancing the national and international force in the worldwide Filipino Community; now therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, that *I Mina'Bente Ocho Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, welcome the Honorable Senator Ron Menor to Guam on the occasion of his keynote speech at the Philippine Independence Ball and to further honor him for his accomplishments as a leader and a Senator in the State of Hawaii; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the Speaker certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to the Honorable Senator Ron Menor, Ms. Nita Baldovino, President, Filipino Community of Guam; to the Honorable Teresita Mendiola, Philippine Consulate General to Guam; and to the Honorable Felix P. Camacho, *I Maga'lahaen Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED ON THE \_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_, 2006.**

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**Mark Forbes**  
**Speaker**

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**Edward J.B. Calvo**  
**Senator and Legislative Secretary**

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**Ray Tenorio**  
**Sponsor and Majority Leader**