

*I MINA' BENTE OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN*  
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Resolution No. 167 (LS)

Introduced by:

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Relative to extending a warm *Dangkolo Na Si Yu'os Ma'åse* to Majors Dave and Linda Harmon for exemplary service to the community as directors of the Salvation Army Guam Corps and Lighthouse Recovery Center for the past eleven years and to wish them great success and Godspeed in their future endeavors.

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

**WHEREAS**, Captains Dave and Linda Harmon arrived as new Corps Officers for The Salvation Army Guam Corps in July 1995; and

**WHEREAS**, the Guam Corps began a substance abuse program, which eventually became the Lighthouse Recovery Center, shortly after their arrival; and

**WHEREAS**, the Lighthouse Recovery Center is currently a 16-bed residence, with two beds serving men with disabilities; and

**WHEREAS**, so far 276 men have been served by the Lighthouse Recovery Center; and

**WHEREAS**, the Harmons have overseen the Lighthouse Recovery Center's annual Community Thanksgiving dinner for the needy since 1997; and

**WHEREAS**, as Salvation Army leaders, David and Linda Harmon have participated in numerous disaster and relief efforts, including the

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Korean Airlines crash, Supertyphoon Paka in 1997, Typhoon Chataan in 2002, Supertyphoon Pongsona in 2002, and the relief efforts to assist Kurdish refugees in 1996 and Burmese refugees in 2000; and

**WHEREAS**, the Harmons have participated in Salvation Army youth activities, including after school activities, day camp, summer camp, and Youth Councils in both Guam and Chuuk, and hosted a five-day Salvation Army international youth conference in 2005; and

**WHEREAS**, since their arrival the Harmons have supervised the Family Services Center, which provides emergency assistance to families in need of food, clothing, rent, or utilities, provides food boxes and toys to the less fortunate around Christmas, and conducts the annual island-wide Homeless Count; and

**WHEREAS**, David and Linda Harmon have been extremely instrumental in the creation of the Machananao Chuukese Outreach project; and

**WHEREAS**, in October 2004, the Harmons managed the acquisition of the former Navy Chapel in Tiyan to serve as the Food Bank and Education Center for the Family Services Center and One Stop Homeless Assistance Center; and

**WHEREAS**, under the Harmons' leadership, the Salvation Army Thrift Store has gone from a small store in Harmon, offering mostly clothing, to its present two-story, 3500 square foot location in Tamuning, offering clothing, furniture, and a variety of other items; and

**WHEREAS**, the Salvation Army Thrift Store has, over the past five years, more than doubled its annual income, thanks to increased volunteer staff and the addition of a large truck to pick up donations; and

**WHEREAS**, the Harmons have been involved in numerous other community organizations which enrich life in Guam, including the Guam

Symphony Society, the Rotary Club of Tumon Bay, the Guam Women's Club, the Guam Homeless Coalition and the Council on Homelessness; and

**WHEREAS**, Captains Dave and Linda Harmon were promoted to the rank of Major in June 2004, now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, that *I Mina'Bente Ocho Na Liheslaturan Guåhan*, on behalf of the people of Guam acknowledge the valuable work of Majors Dave and Linda Harmon, who truly reflect the unique spirit in which our island family joins together and works for the good of all people; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that *I Mina'Bente Ocho Na Liheslaturan Guåhan*, on behalf of the people of Guam, recognizes that the community of Guam owes a debt of gratitude to the Harmons for providing eleven years of outstanding service and dedication to helping those in need on our island; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that *I Mina'Bente Ocho Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* on behalf of the people of Guam, commends, congratulates and extends a *Dangkolo na si Yu'os Ma'åse* to the Harmons for their dedicated public service over the course of eleven years; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the Speaker certify to, and the Secretary of the Legislature attests, the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be transmitted to the Salvation Army Guam Corps, to Dave and Linda Harmon, and to the Honorable Felix P. Camacho, *I Maga'lahaen Guåhan*, Governor of Guam.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY I MINA'BENTE OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE    TH DAY OF JUNE 2006.**