

I MINA'BENTE O'CHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN  
2005 (FIRST) Regular Session

Resolution No. 19 (LS)

Introduced by:

F. B. AGUON, JR. 

Relative to Honoring, Commending and Congratulating the American Cancer Society on their Second Youth Relay For Life Event and for their participation, dedication and commitment in making this event possible, we extend a heartfelt *Un Dangkolo Na Si Yu'os Ma'ase* for bringing forth a worthy cause that will service the people of Guam and all cancer survivors

1           **BE IT RESOLVED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF I MINA'**  
2 ***BENTE O'CHO NA LEHISLATURAN GUAHAN:***

3           **WHEREAS**, this event will take place on February 19 -20 from 7:00PM.  
4 to 7:00AM. at the George Washington High School Track; and

5           **WHEREAS**, all cancer survivors are invited to celebrate their life and  
6 the hope for a cure by joining the Relay for Life Survivor Ceremony; and

7           **WHEREAS**, this event consist of teams of 10-15 people spending up to  
8 24 hours walking or running around a track to raise money to fight cancer. It  
9 is a relay, with at least one member of each team on the track during the entire  
10 event; and

11           **WHEREAS**, this relay event began in May 1985 in Tacoma Washington  
12 by Dr. Gordy Klatt where he spent 24 hour circling the University of Puget  
13 Sound's Baker Stadium track. Throughout the night and day, 300 friends,

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1 family and patients paid \$25 to run or walk 30 minutes with him. That first  
2 year, he raised an amazing \$27,000 in the fight against cancer. Now. More  
3 than two million people-almost half a million of them are survivors-  
4 participate in Relay each year at more than 4,000 sites across the United States.  
5 In one year alone, Relay raised more than \$270 million in the fight against  
6 cancer; and

7       **WHEREAS**, two highlights of every Relay are the survivorship activities  
8 and luminaria program, each acknowledging those who have been touch by  
9 cancer. Survivors are honored and celebrated via special activities, including  
10 an open survivors lap around the track and heartwarming ceremonies; and

11       **WHEREAS**, Relay is also a celebration for caregivers. They often find  
12 hope at Relay. These individuals give their time, love and support to friends,  
13 family and neighbors who face cancer. At Relay, everyone understands the  
14 challenges and joys of being a caregiver

15       **WHEREAS**, relay for life is also a community event. As a community,  
16 the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life fulfills a need for belonging that  
17 we all have. It also creates a sense of community by bringing people together  
18 in a moving and fun atmosphere, with sufficient time for cultivating  
19 relationships; and

20       **WHEREAS**, relay is a doorway for our youth to get to know the  
21 American Cancer Society. Young people are our future volunteer and staff  
22 leaders, with powerful interest and passion. Youth have shown that they have  
23 the organizational skills, motivation and leadership to be involved in Relay-as

1 team captains, team members, or by building a high school or college Relay;  
2 now therefore, be it

3         **RESOLVED**, that the Executive Committee of *I Mina'Bente O'cho Na*  
4 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the  
5 people of Guam, honor, commend and congratulate the American Cancer  
6 Society, Guam Chapter on their Second Youth Relay For Life and for their  
7 participation, dedication and commitment in making this event possible. We  
8 extend a heartfelt *Un Dangkolo Na Si Yu'os Ma'ase* for bringing forth a worthy  
9 cause that will service the people of Guam and all cancer survivors; and be it  
10 further

11         **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairman of the Executive  
12 Committee certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof  
13 and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to the American Cancer  
14 Society, Guam Chapter; to the Honorable Phillip F. Carbullido, Chief Justice of  
15 the Supreme Court of Guam; to the Honorable Madeleine Z. Bordallo,  
16 Member of Congress, U. S. House of Representatives; and to the Honorable  
17 Felix P. Camacho, *I Maga'lahren Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE  
OF *I MINA'BENTE O'CHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* ON THE 19<sup>TH</sup>  
DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2005.**

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**MR. MARK FORBES**  
**Speaker/Chairman Executive Committee**

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**MR. EDDIE ÇALVO**  
**Senator/Legislative Secretary**