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I MINA BENTE OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHA 2006 (Second) Regular Session

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Resolution Nolo I(LS)

Introduced by:

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Relative to commending and congratulating Tom and Magi Kallingal, Doing Business As: Kals Corporation; for their commitment to the island's manamko' through the Elderly Nutrition Program, and to recognizing the Kallingals on their many successes as professional business persons through ventures such as Kals Corporation, the Hakubotan building and other Real Estate properties, Catering services, K's Steak House, The Seafood Chef, and the island's Elderly Nutrition Program which provides Congregate and Home delivered meals to Guam's elderly.

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

Whereas, Thomas Kallingal, born on June 12, 1945 and Magi Kallingal, born on May 22, 1953, emigrated from their native country of India to Guam in the early 1970's, together they made the island their home and were blessed with three (3) children, Lina, Jason and Seena. They have one (1) granddaughter, Naya; and

Whereas, Tom enrolled at the University of Guam (UOG) and graduated in 1979 with a Bachelor's of Business Administration in Travel Industry Management, and in 1981, earned a Masters in Business Administration, Magi, armed with a Bachelors of Science degree from India arrived on Guam in 1974 to join Tom shortly after they joined in holy matrimony. They wed on January 6, 1974; and

Whereas, Tom and Magi Kallingal would contribute to the local workforce from the mid 1970's through 1984, all the while raising a family. Tom began his career in the Food and Beverage sector of the tourism market and worked way up the corporate ladder beginning with the Hilton in 1972, then as part of the management team of the newly opened Guam Reef Hotel in 1974, and

the Pacific Islands Club as its assistant general manger and eventual general manager in 1981; and

Whereas, Magi's career path, like Tom's, started in the food and beverage sector of the Tourism industry. From 1974 until 1978, Magi worked at the former Continental Hotel in Tumon while taking Educator certification courses at UOG. In 1978 Magi began an eight-year career stint illustrating that "education is the way!" as an educator, first as a Science teacher at the Academy of Our Lady of Guam, then as a Science teacher with the Department of Education at the former Dededo Middle School; and

Whereas, in the latter part of 18/81, Tom like Magi ventured into the realm of education as an instructor at the Guam Community College (GCC). At GCC, Tom and a couple of colleagues developed the college's Tourism program. Tom set the initial curriculum and instruction for the Tourism course; and

Whereas, in 1984, with education and world of work experience in hand, Tom and Magi Kallingal began the foundation of the business enterprise as budding entrepreneurs when they opened "The Eatery," at the Agana Shopping Center; and

Whereas, a year later, confident with the success of their initial business venture, the Kallingals opened the first K's Steak House in the former Sue Hiro Hotel in Tumon, as well, other business ventures followed in quick succession including the Maharani Restaurant in Farenholt Drive, Pacific Furniture and Gifts at the Agana Shopping Center and other interests; and

Whereas, today, the Kallingals boast a business empire under the umbrella of the Kals Corporation that includes K's Steak house, the Seafood Chef Restaurant, the Hakubotan building and other Real Estate properties, and catering services; and

Whereas, since 1995, an extension of Kals Corporation's catering services is the island's Elderly Nutrition Program, the Kallingals have successfully bid as

the primary service providers for the government contract to operate the program, funded through the Department of Public Health and Social Services, Division of Senior Citizens, Title III Aging Program, which provides Congregate and Home delivered meals to the Guam's elderly; and

Whereas, in October of 2006, Kals Corp was successful in securing a second consecutive three (3) year contract for the island's Elderly Nutrition Program; and

Whereas, the Kallingals, DBA: Kals Corp extend their services to the island's Manamko' above and beyond their contract agreement. The Kallingals created a Kals Advisory Council which meets quarterly to ensure top-quality service, Kals hosts a web site and offers quarterly newsletters, and an annual senior month themed party in celebration of Senior Citizens' Month among other activities; and

Whereas, Tom and Magi Kallingal have illustrated their commitment and dedication to the island community and economy through the years, and currently employ close to 100 employees, most have been with Kals Corp. for five (5) to ten (10) years; now therefore be it

Resolved, that *I Mina Bente Ocho Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, join in commending and congratulating Mr and Mrs. Tom and Magi Kallingal, Doing Business As: Kals Corporation; for their commitment to the island's manamko' through the Elderly Nutrition Program and business enterprise; and be it further

Resolved, that *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby recognize the Kallingals on their many successes as professional business persons through ventures such as Kals Corporation, the Hakubotan building and other Real Estate properties, Catering services, K's Steak House, The Seafood Chef, and the island's Elderly Nutrition Program which provides Congregate and Home delivered meals to the Guam's elderly; and be it further

Resolved, that the Speaker certify to and the Legislative Secretary attest the adoption hereof and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to the president of Kals Corporation, to the Chairman of the Kals Advisory Council to Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Kallingal, , and to the Honorable Felix P. Camacho, *I Maga Lahen Guåhan*.

Duly and regularly adopted on the ____day of December, 2006.

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Speaker

Senator and Secretary of the Legislature