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Relative to honoring and extending a sincere *Un dangkulo na si Yu'os ma'ãse'* to the Honorable Michael W. Cruz, M.D., for his invaluable service to the people of Guam as a member of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan*; and to further recognizing him for the outstanding contributions he has made towards assuring the accessibility of quality health care for all residents.

1 BE IT RESOLVED BY I MINA'BENTE OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN

2 GUAHAN:

3 WHEREAS, Michael W. Cruz, M.D., a son of Guam, is a product of
4 Guam's public education system; and

5 WHEREAS, Michael W. Cruz, M.D. was entrusted by the people of
6 Guam to serve as a Senator of the *I Mina'Bente Ocho Na Liheslaturan Guahan*; and

1 **WHEREAS**, Senator Cruz was selected among his peers to chair the
2 Committee on Health and Human Services. As Chairman of the committee,
3 Senator Cruz prioritized Healthcare and further addressed health care issues
4 concerning the Territory; and

5 **WHEREAS**, Senator Cruz in addition to his legislative duty was able to
6 carry on his medical practice and further serve the people as a soldier and
7 physician; and

8 **WHEREAS**, Senator Cruz actively pursued the implementation of
9 preventive health programs for youth attending the Guam Public School System
10 by requiring the Body Mass Index measurements to be taken in an effort to use
11 the statistics gathered as a foundation to increase funding for physical education
12 programs, health programs and nutritional classes, and to ultimately address the
13 alarming rates of serious diseases including diabetes, hypertension, cancer, and
14 end-stage renal disease; and

15 **WHEREAS**, Senator Cruz was able to secure the support of his colleagues
16 to subsidize the Guam Memorial Hospital's operations and to purchase much
17 needed diagnostic equipment as part of GMHA's efforts to provide quality
18 medical services to island residents;

19 **WHEREAS**, in furtherance to service to this country Senator Michael W.
20 Cruz, M.D. served as a Commander of the Guam National Guard Medical Unit.

1 He served the medical needs of American's veteran of both Operation Desert
2 Storm and Iraqi Freedom. His service to his fellow country men was so
3 distinguished that he was awarded the Bronze Star; and, now, therefore, be it

4 **RESOLVED**, that the 28th Guam Legislature commends Senator Michael
5 W. Cruz, M.D. for his service as a member of the I Mina'Bente Ocho Na
6 Liheslaturan Guahan; and now be it further

7 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker certify, and the Secretary of the Legislature
8 attest to the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter
9 transmitted to Senator Michael W. Cruz, M.D. and to the Governor of Guam.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY I MINA'BENTE OCHO NA
LIHESLATURAN GUAHAN ON THE _____ DAY OF _____
2006.**

MARK FORBES
Speaker

EDWARD J.B. CALVO
Senator and Secretary of the Legislature