MINA'BENTE OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN 2005 (FIRST) Regular Session

Resolution No. 40 (46)

Introduced by:

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Relative to recognizing and honoring the Guam Memorial Hospital Volunteers Association for their hard work and outstanding contributions to our island community.

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

WHEREAS, established in April 1965, the Guam Memorial Hospital Volunteers Association is a non-profit organization whose major membership consist of women who, through the gift of time, talent and personal interest, supplements the professional staff in caring for the comfort and welfare of patients at the Guam Memorial Hospital Authority; and

WHEREAS, the Guam Memorial Hospital Authority proudly hails its volunteers whose efforts have provided the hospital with continuous service as well as thousands of dollars worth of invaluable equipment, furnishings and services since its inception; and

WHEREAS, the success of their endeavors, past and present, is due to the generous support from the community, and the continuing support and

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generosity of Guam's businesses, civic organizations, government, military and community leaders, as well as from the medical community and friends and families of the volunteers who have contributed to the Volunteer Association's success in raising funds to purchase needed equipment and furnishings for the hospital; and

WHEREAS, yearly fundraising projects such as the Charity Ball, Holiday Homes Tour and Thanksgiving Raffle help to generate some of the funds, not to mention funds generated through the gift shop, gift cart and baby photos which solely depend on volunteers work to operate; and

WHEREAS, in the past years close to \$3,000,000 worth of equipment and furnishings were purchased for the Guam Memorial Hospital and included the following: mammography unit to detect breast cancer, treadmill, cardiac and fetal monitors, ventilators, defibrillators, suction units, infant warmers, EKG machines, eye laser, stretchers, crash carts, laparoscope, incubators, automated clinical blood analyzer, portable x-ray units, hemodialysis machines, IVAC's, various hospital furniture, blinds, drapes and many other supplies for patient care and comfort; and

WHEREAS, since 1965, over 800,000 volunteer hours have been given by the volunteers through their services in such areas as taking newborn baby photos, providing escort-errand services for the patients and staff, operating the gift shop and cart, visiting and reading to the patients, interpreter services, fundraising effort through different projects as mentioned earlier, and many more personal services; and

WHEREAS, presently there are over 50 active auxiliary volunteers assisting the Guam Memorial Hospital in providing the best possible health care for the community of Guam and its neighboring islands; and, now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the members of *I Mina' Bente Ocho' na Liheslaturan Guåhan* recognize and honor the Guam Memorial Hospital Volunteers Association for their hard work and outstanding contributions to our island community; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Speaker certify, and the Secretary of the Legislature attests to, the adoption hereof and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Ms. Mae C. Quinata, President, GMH Volunteers Association 2003-Present; to the Board of Directors of the GMH Volunteers Association; to Mr. William "Bill" McMillan, Administrator, Guam Memorial Hospital Authority; and to the Honorable Felix P. Camacho, *I Maga'lahen Guåhan*.

DULY AND REGULARLY A LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON	DOPTED BY I MINA' BENTE OCHO THE DAY OF , 2005.	NA
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Speaker	Senator and Secretary of the Legislature	