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

Resolution No.	56	ÆC
Introduced by:		•

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Relative to designating the week of May 15th through May 21st, 2005 as 'Guam Police Week' and honoring the courageous men and women of the Port Authority Police, the Guam Airport Police, and the Guam Police Department for their meritorious service in protecting our island.

1 BE IT RESOLVED BY I LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN:

- WHEREAS, National Police Week is celebrated nationwide from May 15th through 21st, 2005 as a tribute and recognition to dedicated police
- 4 officers that protect our cherish freedoms we all count on every day; and
- 5 WHEREAS, courageous men and women of the Guam Police
- 6 Department, Port Authority Police and Airport Police are tasked with the
- 7 impartial, 'round-the-clock enforcement of Guam laws, which often subject
- 8 these brave public servants to substantial personal risk and hazards while
- 9 serving their communities throughout our Island; and
- 10 WHEREAS, the Guam Police Department's stamina and bravery were
- 11 put to test during the month of March, 2005 with three homicides and two
- 12 vehicular fatalities; and
- 13 WHEREAS, the Guam Police Department joined forces with law
- 14 enforcement officers from the Department of Corrections, Customs and

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- 1 Quarantine, Court Marshals, Department of Agriculture, and the Federal
- 2 Bureau of Investigations to apprehend three escaped prisoners from the
- 3 Department of Corrections facilities; and
- 4 WHEREAS, severe shortages of manpower and personnel were
- 5 overcome in apprehension of the escaped prisoners, as officers gave up
- 6 regular days off, working twelve hour shifts, and sacrificing their Easter
- 7 Holiday time with their families; and
- 8 WHEREAS, many caring police officers, as well as peace officers
- 9 charged with keeping the peace and apprehending violators, have perished in
- 10 the line of duty while protecting our liberties and, quite often, gave their lives
- 11 to save the life of another, acknowledged as the ultimate sacrifice and that our
- 12 island will especially remember those devoted and courageous souls at the
- 13 Hagåtña Police Memorial Monument on 'Peace Officers Memorial Day' that
- 14 will be observed on Friday, May 15th, 2005; and
- WHEREAS, active, retired and police officers who have passed away
- are fully deserving of every recognition from the public for their exceptional
- 17 services provided to our Island and people; now therefore, be it
- 18 RESOLVED, that I Mina'Bente Ocho Na Liheslaturan Guåhan does hereby,
- on behalf of the people of Guam, commend and congratulate the dedicated
- 20 men and women for their integrity, high caliber of professionalism and
- 21 loyalty to the department, and acknowledge their adhering to the highest
- 22 standards and traditions of the Guam Police Department, the Airport Police
- 23 and the Port Authority Police; and be it further
- 24 **RESOLVED**, that I Mina' Bente Ocho Na Liheslaturan Guåhan does hereby

1 on behalf of the people of Guam designate the week of May 15th through May

2 21st, 2005, as Guam Police Week, and does further encourage the community

3 of Guam to participate in celebrating with members of the Guam Police

4 Department, the Airport Police, and the Port Authority Police those programs

5 designed to honor the brave police officers and peace officers of Guam and of

the nation who have contributed so much to the preservation of life and

property through fair and swift enforcement of law and the civilian

8 employees who support the officers; 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 Captain Leon R. Ryan, Chairperson of the 2005 Guam Police Week Planning Committee, to Mr. Frank T. Ishizaki, Chief of

13 Police; Antonio B. Taitingfong, Acting Chief, Guam Airport Police; to Ms.

14 Doris C. Aguero, Chief, Port Authority Police; and to the Honorable Felix P.

15 Camacho, I Maga'lahen Guåhan.

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Speaker and		Senator and	
Chairman, Executive Committee	ee	Secretary of the Legislature	