


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

Resolution No. 84(45)

Introduced by:

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Relative to congratulating and commending Captain J.D. "Bear" Owen on his retirement and years of dedicated service as a Pilot of Continental Airlines.

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

1 **WHEREAS**, Captain J.D. Owen, affectionately known as "Bear" was
2 born on June 12, 1945 and hails from his hometown of Colfax, Washington,
3 USA and is married to his loving bride, Joan, of 34 years; and

4 **WHEREAS**, he attended Colfax High School and graduated from
5 Sammamish High School in Bellevue, Washington and thereafter attended
6 University of Washington in Seattle where he received a baccalaureate degree
7 in radio and television communications; and

8 **WHEREAS**, Captain Owen received a master of arts degree from
9 Webster University in St. Louis, Missouri with a double major in management
10 and human relations and from the Naval War College in Newport Rhode
11 Island in Strategic and National Defense Policy; and

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1 **WHEREAS**, his first flying experience was when he started taking
2 lessons from a college buddy in 1964 in a Cessna 120, N-4639-N; and

3 **WHEREAS**, Captain Owen served our country in the United States
4 Marines from 1966 through 1970, in the Nebraska Air National Guard from
5 1979 through 1994 and in the United States Air Force Reserve from 1994
6 through 1996; and

7 **WHEREAS**, his Marine service included a tour in Vietnam with 55
8 fighter-bomber combat missions and has logged 46 day and night carrier
9 landings as a Marine Corps Aviator; and

10 **WHEREAS**, during his professional flying career, including 20 years
11 with Continental Airlines and 27 years of military tactical aviation, he has
12 flown the following types of aircraft: Marines, Air National Guard, and Air
13 Force Reserve: T-37B Tweetybird, T-38A Talon, T-A4F and J Skyhawk, A-6A
14 and KA-6D Intruder, T-33A Shooting Star, RF-4C Phantom II, F-15 Eagle, F-16
15 Falcon and with Continental Airlines: DC-10 (second officer, first officer and
16 captain), B-737 (captain), B-747 (first officer), B-757/767 (captain); and

17 **WHEREAS**, counting additional flying in many types of general
18 aviation aircraft and gliders, he has accumulated over 15,000 hours of flight
19 time; and

20 **WHEREAS**, Captain Owen, upon his retirement may enjoy the many
21 and various hobbies and interest he enjoys which include, world travel,
22 mountain hiking, model railroading, oriental carpets, writing, American
23 history, soaring high performance sailplanes, flight instructing to name a few;
24 and

1 **WHEREAS**, Captain Owen has provided our island community a
2 valuable service of transporting our island's visitors and our island residents
3 to and from Guam for the past 20 years aboard Continental Airlines; now,
4 therefore, be it

5 **RESOLVED**, that *I Mina' Bente Ocho Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby,
6 congratulate Captain Owen on his retirement as a airline pilot and commend
7 and appreciate his many years of dedicated service to our country, our island
8 and our people, and be it further

9 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Secretary of the Legislature attest
10 to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted
11 to the Honorable Felix P. Camacho, *I Maga'lahaen Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
OF I MINA'BENTE OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE 11th
DAY OF JUNE 2005.**

MARK FORBES
Speaker and
Chairman, Executive Committee

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