

I MINA'BENTE OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
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As amended.

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Relative to commending and congratulating Miss Devon Ahillen of the Guam Girl Scouts on her election as a Delegate to the Girl Scouts of the USA National Council Session.

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

3 **WHEREAS**, Devon Ahillen, a resident of Barrigada Heights, Guam, was
4 born on September 20, 1987, to Tom and Debra Ahillen; and

5 **WHEREAS**, Devon is currently a High School Senior at the Academy of
6 Our Lady of Guam, where she is a member of the National Honor Society and

1 is active in student government, basketball and regularly takes part in many
2 school activities; and

3 **WHEREAS**, Devon has been an active member of the Girl Scouts for the
4 past thirteen (13) years, progressing over the years through all five (5) levels
5 of girl-membership: as Daisy, Brownie, Junior, Cadette, and Senior Scout; and

6 **WHEREAS**, Devon has brought great honor and recognition to the
7 Guam Girl Scouts, her parents, and the people of Guam, by being elected as a
8 Delegate to the Girl Scouts of the USA (GSUSA) National Council Session, an
9 organization that hosts three hundred nineteen (319) Girl Scout Councils in
10 the United States and from around the world; and

11 **WHEREAS**, her selection marks the first time a member from the Guam
12 Girl Scouts has ever been elected to the USA Girl Scouts Overseas Delegation
13 of the Girl Scouts of the USA National Council Session; and

14 **WHEREAS**, as a Delegate to the National Council Session, Devon
15 represented the interest of the Guam Girl Scouts, and that of approximately
16 thirteen thousand eight hundred seventy six (13,876), members, as one of just
17 eight (8) delegates from the various locations of USA Girl Scouts Overseas,
18 which comprise of Girl Scout Organizations spanning ninety (90) countries;
19 and

20 **WHEREAS**, of the eight (8) delegates representing the USA Girl Scouts
21 Overseas, Devon and a member of the Girl Scouts from Korea, were the only
22 representatives under the age of eighteen (18); and

1 **WHEREAS**, Girl Scouts of the USA is the world’s largest organization
2 dedicated to helping all girls everywhere build character and gain skills for
3 success in the real world; and

4 **WHEREAS**, GSUSA strives to ensure an accepting and nurturing
5 environment, in which through partnership with committed and adult
6 volunteers, girls develop strong values, leadership skills, social conscience
7 and conviction about their own potential and self-worth that will serve them
8 all their lives; and

9 **WHEREAS**, the Girl Scouts of the USA National Council Session
10 Convention takes place every three (3) years and “represents democracy in
11 action” as a “phenomenal hands-on governance experience,” where members
12 work together to determine the future of Girl Scouting; and

13 **WHEREAS**, the criteria for the honor to be designated as a member of
14 one of eight (8) delegates, representing the interests of the USA Girl Scouts
15 Overseas, is a selective process that involves votes by members of the
16 National Committee; and

17 **WHEREAS**, Devon took part in the Girl Scouts’ “Girl Congress,” the
18 precursor to the National Council Session which includes one thousand five
19 hundred (1,500) girls, with the celebrated theme “Our Voices, Our Issues, Our
20 Futures,” whereby she was able to put into practice and learn first hand about
21 governance and leadership and gain the life application skills taught in Civics,
22 Citizenship, Government and Political Science classes throughout the nation;
23 and

1 **WHEREAS**, her exposure and experience with the GSUSA, National
2 Council Session, has armed Devon with new insights about good self-esteem,
3 positive confidence and a conveyance of an attitude of service and citizenship
4 that she can impart on her peers; and

5 **WHEREAS**, Devon Ahillen continues to actively participate in the
6 Guam Girl Scouts, and has earned numerous honors including the Girl Scout
7 Silver Award, and is on track to earn the Girl Scout Gold Award, the highest
8 honor and achievement Girl Scout member can earn; and

9 **WHEREAS**, Devon dedication and commitment to the civic community
10 is not limited to school and the Guam Girl Scouts, it is also displayed through
11 her participation in service activities for Island Girl Power, Guam Public
12 Library, the Salvation Army, the Gift of Life, and the American Cancer
13 Society; now, therefore, be it

14 **RESOLVED**, that *I Mina' Bente Ocho Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby,
15 on behalf of the people of Guam, recognize and congratulate Miss Devon
16 Ahillen on her selection and representation of as a Delegate to the Girl Scouts
17 of the USA National Council Session that took place from October 5 through
18 October 10, 2005, in Atlanta, Georgia; and be it further

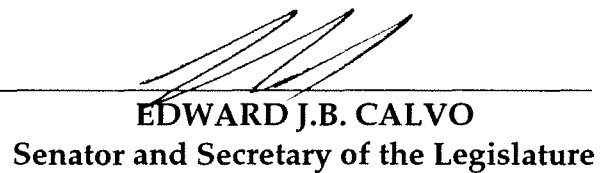
19 **RESOLVED**, that *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, extend the
20 recognition of Devon's accomplishments to her parents, Tom and Debra
21 Ahillen, for instilling in Devon the principles of generosity, dedication and
22 service to community, and to the Guam Girl Scouts Inc., for the
23 encouragement, guidance and mentoring of young women, such as Devon,
24 for over seventy (70) years; and be it further

1 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker certify, and the Secretary of the
2 Legislature attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be
3 thereafter transmitted to Miss Devon Ahillen; to her parents Tom and Debra
4 Ahillen; to Ms. Vickie Fish, Executive Director, Guam Girl Scouts Inc.; and to
5 the Honorable Felix P. Camacho, *I Maga Lahen Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY I MINA'BENTE OCHO NA
LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE 11TH DAY OF NOVEMBER 2005.**



MARK FORBES
Speaker



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