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

## Resolution No. 111 (LS)

As amended.

Introduced by:

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Relative to commending Mothers Against Drunk Drivers, better known as MADD, for its efforts to prevent drunk driving and to launch the Tie One On For Safety Holiday Ribbon Campaign To Save Lives.

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

2 WHEREAS, in 1986, Mothers Against Drunk Drivers (MADD) created the Red 3 Ribbon campaign to heighten public awareness of the problem of drinking and driving 4 during the holiday season, which is traditionally recognized as Thanksgiving, Christmas 5 and New Year's, when statistics show higher incidences of drunk driving crashes; and

6 WHEREAS, Guam's MADD Chapter was founded in 1997 by Mrs. Terri Untalan
7 and Mr. Michael J. Duenas, whose son was killed by a drunk driver; and

8 WHEREAS, the Tie One On For Safety Holiday Ribbon Campaign To Save Lives is a 9 national MADD campaign that has grown to be one of MADD's most popular and 10 identifiable public awareness events and is designed to encourage members of the public to become actively involved in the fight against drunk driving by tying a MADD ribbon to a
 visible place on their vehicles; and

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WHEREAS, more than six million (6,000,000) ribbons were distributed last year nationwide and on Guam, the MADD chapter hopes to distribute more than seven thousand five hundred (7,500) ribbons this holiday season to serve as a symbol of the motorist's pledge to drive safely and soberly and to remind other motorists to do the same; and

8 WHEREAS, driving under the influence is a crime, and each year completely 9 preventable injuries and deaths occur on Guam's roadways because of driving under the 10 influence and the numbers of those who drive under the influence and alcohol related 11 crashes continue to rise; and

WHEREAS, in the United States, drunk driving crashes injure someone every two
 minutes, and such crashes account for forty-one percent (41%) of traffic deaths; and

WHEREAS, on Guam, seven (7) of the fourteen (14) traffic fatalities recorded in 2004
were related to drunk driving and the Guam Police Department made four hundred
eighty-eight (488) DUI arrests; and

WHEREAS, as we celebrate the joyous holiday season, we can save lives by preventing impaired driving and ensure the safety of our roads and continue to fight impaired driving throughout the year; and

WHEREAS, the Tie One On For Safety Holiday Ribbon Campaign To Save Lives will launch on Thursday, December 1, 2005 and local businesses have graciously offered to support MADD's mission through the month of December by distributing MADD Red Ribbons to motorists; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Tie One On For Safety Holiday Ribbon Campaign To Save Lives be recognized as the most popular and identifiable public awareness program designed to encourage the public to become actively involved in the fight against drunk and drugged driving; and be it further

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**RESOLVED,** that *I Mina'Bente Ocho Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf
 of the people of Guam, commend MADD for its efforts to prevent drunk driving on our
 island; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the Speaker certify to, and the Secretary of the Legislature attest
to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to the
Department of Public Works, Office of Highway Safety; and to the Honorable Felix P.
Camacho, *I Maga'lahen Guåhan*.

## DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY *I MINA'BENTE OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* ON THE 23<sup>RD</sup> DAY OF NOVEMBER 2005.

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Speaker

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