

**I MINA'BENTE OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN**  
**2006 (SECOND) Regular Session**

**Resolution No. 144 (LS)**

As amended.

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**Relative to recognizing the American Cancer Society Guam Chapter for promoting the awareness of cancer through the "Relay For Life", honoring and celebrating cancer survivors, remembering those who have lost their lives, and continuing the effort to find a cure.**

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

3        **WHEREAS**, in the mid 1980's, Dr. Gordy Klatt, a Tacoma colorectal  
4 surgeon, wanting to enhance the income of his local American Cancer Society  
5 Office, decided to personally raise money for the fight against cancer by doing  
6 something he loved—running marathons; and

1           **WHEREAS**, in May 1985, Dr. Gordy Klatt spent a grueling twenty-four  
2 (24) hours running and walking over eighty-three (83) miles of track at Baker  
3 Stadium in Tacoma, Washington, thereby raising the first Twenty-Seven  
4 Thousand Dollars (\$27,000) to fight cancer; and

5           **WHEREAS**, months later he created a small committee to plan the first  
6 team relay event known as the “City of Destiny Classic 24-hour Run Against  
7 Cancer”; and

8           **WHEREAS**, in 1986, Dr. Klatt organized the first relay event with  
9 nineteen (19) teams participating at the colorful and historic Stadium Bowl,  
10 thereby raising Thirty-Three Thousand Dollars (\$33,000); and

11           **WHEREAS**, the American Cancer Society’s Relay For Life has become  
12 one of the most successful charitable events by engaging community support  
13 over twenty (20) years across the nation and here on Guam; and

14           **WHEREAS**, businesses, government agencies and individuals  
15 participate in the “Relay For Life” evening event to remember those who lost  
16 their lives to cancer and to celebrate those who have survived the disease; and

17           **WHEREAS**, thirty four (34) teams participated in “Youth Relay For  
18 Life” in 2005, grossing over Thirty-Three Thousand Dollars (\$33,000), and  
19 more than sixty (60) teams participated during the community “Relay For  
20 Life” in 2005, grossing over Two Hundred Twenty-Eight Thousand Dollars  
21 (\$228,000); and

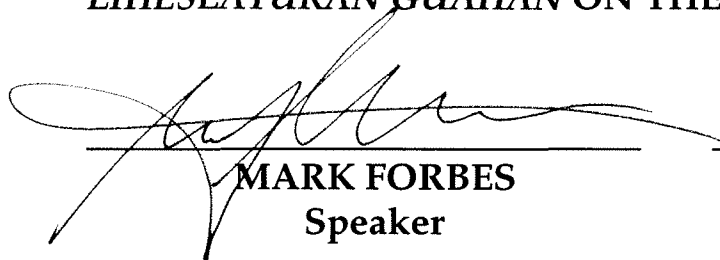
22           **WHEREAS**, the American Cancer Society Guam Field Office is largely  
23 made up of volunteers, and monies it raises are used for research, education,  
24 advocacy and services to patients; and

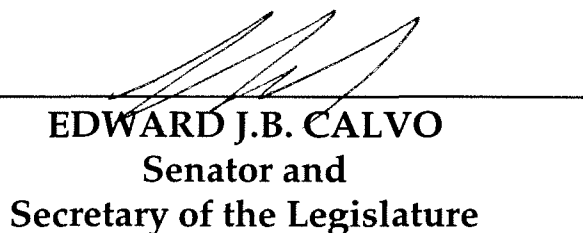
1           **WHEREAS**, the American Cancer Society encourages a healthy life style  
2 through physical activity and proper nutrition in order to prevent cancer and  
3 save lives; now, therefore, be it

4           **RESOLVED**, that *I Mina'Bente Ocho Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby,  
5 on behalf of the people of Guam, recognize and extend a heart felt *Si Yu'os*  
6 *Ma'ase'* to the American Cancer Society Guam Field Office for promoting the  
7 awareness of cancer through the "Relay For Life" and for its dedication to  
8 finding a cure, honoring and celebrating cancer survivors, and remembering  
9 those who have lost their lives; and be it further

10          **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker certify, and the Secretary of the  
11 Legislature attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be  
12 thereafter transmitted to Ms. Elaine Low, Executive Director of the American  
13 Cancer Society Guam Field Office; and to the Honorable Felix P. Camacho, *I*  
14 *Maga'lahaen Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY I MINA'BENTE OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE 22ND DAY OF MAY 2006.**

  
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**MARK FORBES**  
Speaker

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