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

## Resolution No. 159 (LS)

As amended.

Introduced by:

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Relative to honoring, commending and congratulating the brave service men and women of the United States Army - Active, National Guard, Reservist and Retirees on the celebration of the U.S. Army's Two Hundred Thirty-First (231<sup>st</sup>) Birthday; recognizing the U. S. Army's tremendous service to the defense of freedom for Guam and the United States of America, and further acknowledging the Army's outstanding service to the Nation and the World; and to wishing the dedicated service members of the U. S. Army well in future endeavors; and extending *un dangkolo' na si* Yu'os ma'ase' on behalf of all the people of Guam.

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

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3 WHEREAS, the Continental Army, which later became the United 4 States Army, was established on June 14, 1775, just as the Revolutionary War 5 got underway, and was commanded by General George Washington, the 6 Father of our Country and the First President of the United States; and

WHEREAS, the Army, born amidst the gathering storm clouds of the
American Revolution, has grown from the small band of Minutemen on
Lexington Green to the finest fighting force in the world today; and

10 WHEREAS, the Army has forged a proud history of defending the 11 Nation with honor and distinction in all its many wars and armed conflicts, 12 most notably in the Civil War, World Wars I and II, the Korean Conflict, the 13 Vietnam War, the invasion of Panama, the invasion of Grenada, the Persian 14 Gulf Wars, and our current peace missions in East Timor, Indonesia, Bosnia, 15 Africa, Kosovo and the Iraqi War ("Iraqi Freedom"); and

WHEREAS, the Army's 77<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division played a major role in
liberating Guam from enemy occupation in World War II, making the people
of Guam forever grateful to the Army; and

WHEREAS, since the end of World War II, thousands of Guam's young men and women have joined the United States Army, distinguishing themselves for their valor and dedication, some of whom have died in the post-war conflicts in Panama, Grenada, Persian Gulf War, Kosovo, Bosnia, East Timor, Africa, Korea, and Vietnam; and

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1 WHEREAS, the recent attack on American soil at the Pentagon and in 2 New York City caused thousands of Guam's young men and women to 3 volunteer for duty in the war zone, many of whom have won awards for 4 gallantry in action; and

5 WHEREAS, the American Army receives broad national support 6 symbolized by the endless rows of yellow ribbons and the American flags 7 which bedeck the country from coast to coast on Independence Day, as the 8 Army continues to shape itself into the best fighting component, alongside 9 other U.S. Armed Forces, in the world; and

10 WHEREAS, *I Mina'Bente Ocho Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* commemorates 11 the Two Hundred Thirty-First (231<sup>st</sup>) Birthday of the United States Army, and 12 hereby, calls on the people of Guam to remember and celebrate the 13 contributions that members of the United States Army – Active, National 14 Guard, Reserve and Retired – have made to the nation and to Guam and 15 further salutes the men and women in the Active Army, the Guam National 16 Guard, and the Army Reserve who continue to serve; now, therefore, be it

17 **RESOLVED**, that I Mina'Bente Ocho Na Liheslaturan Guåhan does hereby, 18 on behalf of the people of Guam, honor, commend and congratulate the 19 numerous Guam service members of the United States Army, Active, National 20 Guard Reserve and Retirees on the celebration of the United States Army's 21 Two Hundred Thirty-First (231<sup>st</sup>) Birthday, recognizing the United States 22 Army's tremendous service to the defense of freedom for Guam and the United States of America and further extends a heartfelt dangkolo na si Yu'os 23 24 *ma'ase* for its contributions and dedication to our community and the people 25 of Guam; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Speaker certify, and the Secretary of the 1 2 Legislature attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to the United States Army Retiree Association; to the 3 United States Army Reserve, Guam; to the Adjutant General, Guam National 4 Guard; to the Honorable Phillip F. Carbullido, Chief Justice, Supreme Court of 5 Guam; to the Honorable Madeleine Z. Bordallo, Member of Congress, U. S. 6 House of Representatives; and to the Honorable Felix P. Camacho, I 7 Maga'lahen Guåhan. 8

## DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY I MINA'BENTE OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE 6TH DAY OF JUNE 2006.

WARK FORBES Speaker

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