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

,

Resolution No. 162 (LS)

As amended.

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Introduced by:

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Relative to recognizing the month of June 2006 as the Asian/Pacific American Heritage Month and to further extending a sincere un dångkulo na si Yu'os ma'åse' to the Asian and Pacific American Communities of Guam for the outstanding contributions they have made to the betterment of our island community.

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

GUÅHAN: 2

3 WHEREAS, the rest of our American family, through President George 4 W. Bush's Proclamation of May 2006 as Asian/Pacific Heritage Month, recognized and honored the millions of Asian and Pacific Americans who 5

have contributed to making the United States a strong, vibrant, and free
 society; and

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3 WHEREAS, this national recognition and honor has been a tradition 4 since 1978, when a joint congressional resolution dedicated the first ten (10) 5 days of May as Asian/Pacific American Heritage Week, which was extended 6 by Congress in 1992 to a month-long celebration; and

7 WHEREAS, the island of Guam is home to thousands of Asian and 8 Pacific Americans who have chosen to make this island their new home; 9 moreover, the month of June 2006 provides a wonderful opportunity to 10 recognize and celebrate the diverse and rich cultures of the Asian and Pacific 11 Americans who have contributed to Guam's economic, social, and political 12 development; and

13 WHEREAS, many Asian and Pacific Americans on Guam are 14descendants of those individuals who arrived on Guam from various parts of Asia and the Pacific to help expand, repair, or rebuild the island's 15 16 infrastructure as skilled construction workers and engineers; provide 17 education in schools as trained and experienced educators; support healthcare 18 services in different clinics and medical centers as physicians and related 19 medical staff; and support various other commercial, technical, and industrial activities; and 20

21 WHEREAS, Asian and Pacific Americans have become an integral part 22 of the island's social fabric as active citizens of democracy and respected 23 members of our community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that *I Mina'Bente Ocho Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby,
on behalf of the people of Guam, recognize the month of June 2006 as the

Asian/Pacific American Heritage Month and further extends a sincere *un dångkulo na si Yu'os ma'åse'* to the Asian and Pacific American communities of
 Guam for their outstanding contributions to our island community; and be it
 further

5 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker certify, and the Secretary of the Legislature attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be 6 7 thereafter transmitted to Ms. Kim Bottcher, President, Federation of Asian and 8 Pacific People on Guam; to Mr. Kevin Shin, President, Korean Association of Guam; to Mr. Calvin Lai, President, Federation of Chinese Overseas on Guam; 9 10 to Ms. Nita Baldovino, President, Filipino Community of Guam; to Mr. Peter Liu, President, United Chinese Association of Guam; to Mr. Vashi Hemlani, 11 12 President, Indian Community of Guam; to Mr. Theodore Iyechad, President, 13 Palauan Community of Guam; to Mr. Hau Lee, President, Vietnamese 14Community of Guam; to Mr. Sweeter Sachuo, President, Chuukese 15 Community of Guam; to the Japanese Club of Guam; to the respective 16 consulate offices; and to the Honorable Felix P. Camacho, I Maga'lahen 17 Guåhan.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY *I MINA'BENTE OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* ON THE 12TH DAY OF JUNE 2006.

K FORBES Speaker

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