

I MINA'BENTE OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
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As amended.

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Relative to honoring, commending and congratulating the American Cancer Society on its "Second Youth Relay For Life" event and for its participation, dedication and commitment in making this event possible, and to extending a heartfelt "*Un Dångkolo Na Si Yu'os Ma'åse*" for bringing forth a worthy cause that will service the people of Guam and all cancer survivors.

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

2 **GUÅHAN:**

3 **WHEREAS,** this "Second Youth Relay For Life" will take place on

4 February 19 through 20, 2005, from 7:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m., at the George

5 Washington High School Track; and

1 **WHEREAS**, all cancer survivors are invited to celebrate “their life and
2 the hope for a cure” by joining the Relay For Life Survivor Ceremony; and

3 **WHEREAS**, this event consist of teams of 10-15 people spending up to
4 twenty-four (24) hours walking or running around a track to raise money to
5 fight cancer. It is a Relay, with at least one member of each team on the track
6 during the entire event; and

7 **WHEREAS**, this Relay event began in May 1985 in Tacoma,
8 Washington, by Dr. Gordy Klatt, where he spent twenty-four (24) hours
9 circling the University of Puget Sound’s Baker Stadium track. Throughout the
10 night and day, three hundred (300) friends, family and patients paid Twenty-
11 Five Dollars (\$25) to run or walk thirty (30) minutes with him. That first year,
12 he raised an amazing Twenty-Seven Thousand Dollars (\$27,000.00) in the fight
13 against cancer. Now, more than two million people-almost half a million of
14 them are survivors, participate in a Relay each year at more than five
15 thousand (4,000) sites across the United States. In one year alone, Relay raised
16 more than \$270 million in the fight against cancer; and

17 **WHEREAS**, two highlights of every Relay are the survivorship activities
18 and luminaria program, each acknowledging those who have been touched
19 by cancer. Survivors are honored and celebrated via special activities,
20 including an open survivors lap around the track and heartwarming
21 ceremonies; and

22 **WHEREAS**, Relay is also a celebration for caregivers. They often find
23 hope at Relay. These individuals give their time, love and support to friends,
24 family and neighbors who face cancer. At Relay, everyone understands the
25 challenges and joys of being a caregiver; and

1 **WHEREAS**, Relay For Life is also a community event which fulfills a
2 need for belonging that we all have and creates a sense of community by
3 bringing people together in a moving and fun atmosphere, with sufficient
4 time for cultivating relationships; and

5 **WHEREAS**, Relay is a doorway for our youth to get to know the
6 American Cancer Society, to infuse young people who are our future
7 volunteers and staff leaders with powerful interest and passion, and youths
8 have shown that they have the organizational skills, motivation and
9 leadership to be involved in Relay-as team captains, team members, or by
10 building a high school or college Relay; now, therefore, be it

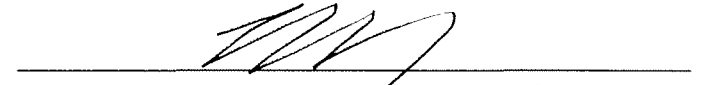
11 **RESOLVED**, that *I Mina' Bente Ocho Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby,
12 on behalf of the people of Guam, honor, commend and congratulate the
13 American Cancer Society, Guam Unit, on its "Second Youth Relay For Life"
14 and for its participation, dedication and commitment in making this event
15 possible; and does extend a heartfelt "*Un Dângkolo Na Si Yu'os Ma'åse*" for
16 bringing forth a worthy cause that will service the people of Guam and all
17 cancer survivors; and be it further

18 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker certify, and the Secretary of the
19 Legislature attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be
20 thereafter transmitted to the American Cancer Society, Guam Unit; to the
21 Honorable F. Philip Carbullido, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Guam;
22 to the Honorable Madeleine Z. Bordallo, Member of Congress, U. S. House of
23 Representatives; and to the Honorable Felix P. Camacho, *I Maga'lahaen Guåhan*.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY *I MINA'BENTE OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN* ON THE 2ND DAY OF FEBRUARY 2005.



MARK FORBES
Speaker



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