

**I MINA'BENTE OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
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Resolution No. 207 (LS)

As amended.

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Relative to commending and congratulating Tom and Magi Kallingal, doing business as Kals Corporation, for their commitment to the island's *manamko'* through the Elderly Nutrition Program; and to recognizing the Kallingals for their many successes as professional business persons through ventures such as Kals Corporation, the Hakubotan building and other real estate properties, catering services, K's Steak House and The Seafood Chef Restaurant.

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

3 **WHEREAS,** Thomas Kallingal, born on June 12, 1945, and Magi
4 Kallingal, born on May 22, 1953, immigrated from their native country of

1 India to Guam in the early 1970's; together they made the island their home
2 and were blessed with three (3) children, Lina, Jason and Seená, and one (1)
3 granddaughter, Naya; and

4 **WHEREAS**, Thomas Kallingal enrolled at the University of Guam
5 (UOG) and graduated in 1979 with a Bachelor of Business Administration in
6 Travel Industry Management and, in 1981, earned a Masters in Business
7 Administration; Magi, armed with a Bachelor of Science Degree from India
8 arrived on Guam in 1974 to join Tom shortly after they were married on
9 January 6, 1974; and

10 **WHEREAS**, Tom and Magi Kallingal contributed to the local workforce
11 from the mid 1970's through 1984 while raising a family. Tom began his career
12 in the Food and Beverage sector of the tourism industry and worked way up
13 the corporate ladder beginning with the Hilton in 1972, then as part of the
14 management team of the newly opened Guam Reef Hotel in 1974, and the
15 Pacific Islands Club as its Assistant General Manager and eventual General
16 Manager in 1981; and

17 **WHEREAS**, Magi's career path, like Tom's, started in the Food and
18 Beverage sector of the Tourism industry. From 1974 until 1978, Magi worked
19 at the former Continental Hotel in Tumon while taking educator certification
20 courses at UOG. In 1978 Magi began an eight-year career stint illustrating that
21 "Education Is the Way!", first as a Science teacher at the Academy of Our
22 Lady of Guam, then as a Science teacher at the former Dededo Middle School;
23 and

1 **WHEREAS**, in the latter part of 1981, Tom, like Magi, ventured into the
2 realm of education as an instructor at the Guam Community College (GCC).
3 At GCC, Tom and a couple of colleagues developed the College’s Tourism
4 Program. Tom designed the initial Curriculum and Instruction for the
5 Tourism course; and

6 **WHEREAS**, in 1984, Tom and Magi Kallingal began the foundation of
7 their business enterprise as budding entrepreneurs when they opened “The
8 Eatery,” at the Agana Shopping Center; and

9 **WHEREAS**, a year later, confident with the success of their initial
10 business venture, the Kallingals opened the first K’s Steak House in the
11 former Suehiro Hotel in Tumon; other business ventures followed in quick
12 succession, including the Maharani Restaurant on Farenholt Drive, Pacific
13 Furniture and Gifts at the Agana Shopping Center and other interests; and

14 **WHEREAS**, today, the Kallingals boast a business empire under the
15 umbrella of the Kals Corporation that includes K’s Steak house, the Seafood
16 Chef Restaurant, the Hakubotan building, other real estate properties, and
17 catering services; and

18 **WHEREAS**, since 1995, the Kallingals have successfully bid as the
19 primary service providers for the government contract to operate the Elderly
20 Nutrition Program funded by the Department of Public Health and Social
21 Services, Division of Senior Citizens, Title III Aging Program, which provides
22 congregate and home delivered meals to Guam’s elderly; and

1 **WHEREAS**, in October of 2006, Kals Corporation successfully obtained
2 a second consecutive three (3) year contract for the island's Elderly Nutrition
3 Program; and

4 **WHEREAS**, the Kallingals, dba: Kals Corporation, extend their services
5 to the island's Manamko' above and beyond their contract agreement. The
6 Kallingals created a Kals Advisory Council which meets quarterly to ensure
7 top-quality service; Kals also hosts a web site and offers quarterly newsletters,
8 and an annual party in celebration of Senior Citizens' Month; and

9 **WHEREAS**, Tom and Magi Kallingal have demonstrated their
10 commitment and dedication to Guam's community and economy through the
11 years, and currently employ close to one hundred (100) persons, most of
12 whom have been with Kals Corporation for five (5) to ten (10) years; now,
13 therefore, be it


14 **RESOLVED**, that *I Mina'Bente Ocho Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby,
15 on behalf of the people of Guam, join in commending and congratulating
16 Tom and Magi Kallingal, doing business as Kals Corporation, for their
17 commitment to the island's *manamko'* through the Elderly Nutrition Program;
18 and be it further

19 **RESOLVED**, that *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby recognize the
20 Kallingals on their many successes as professional business persons; and be it
21 further


22 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker certify, and the Secretary of the
23 Legislature attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be
24 thereafter transmitted to the President of Kals Corporation; to the Chairman

- 1 of the Kals Advisory Council; to Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Kallingal; and to the
- 2 Honorable Felix P. Camacho, *I Maga'lahaen Guåhan*.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY *I MINA'BENTE OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* ON THE 27TH DAY OF DECEMBER 2006.



MARK FORBES
Speaker



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