

I MINA'BENTE OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN  
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**Resolution No. 209(EC)**

As amended.

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Relative to commending and extending a sincere *Un Dangkulo Na Si Yu'os Ma'åse'* to the Honorable Lawrence "Larry" F. Kasperbauer, Ph.D. for his invaluable service to the people of Guam in five (5) consecutive terms as a member of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan*; and to further recognizing his many years of contributions and lifelong dedication to Guam's public education system since establishing Guam as his permanent home in 1967.

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

3 WHEREAS, Dr. Lawrence "Larry" F. Kasperbauer was born on April 30,  
4 1936 on a farm near Manning, Iowa to John and Clara Kasperbauer; and

1           **WHEREAS**, the eleven (11) member strong Kasperbauer family  
2 experienced the hardships of America’s Economic Depression and recognized  
3 early on the value of earning an education; and

4           **WHEREAS**, despite their limited educational background, Larry’s  
5 parents instilled in their children that “Education is the Way” to future  
6 successes and greater achievements; and

7           **WHEREAS**, Larry heeded the wisdom of his parents and succeeded  
8 through kindergarten to 8<sup>th</sup> grade at Ewoldt # 3 One Room Country School;  
9 and at Manning Junior/Senior High during grades 9<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup>, where he  
10 earned a diploma in agriculture and college preparatory studies in 1954; and

11           **WHEREAS**, Larry attended Iowa State University, Ames Iowa, (ISU),  
12 where he graduated with a Bachelor’s Degree in Agricultural Education in  
13 1958, a Master’s in Vocational Education (School Administration and  
14 Supervision), in 1959, and a Ph.D. in Rural Sociology with minors in Higher  
15 Education and Statistics in 1965; and

16           **WHEREAS**, while a faculty member at the University of Guam, Dr.  
17 Kasperbauer, on a grant award in 1985 and 1986, took Postdoctoral courses in  
18 Gerontology at the University of Missouri and the University of Southern  
19 California. He also studied Public Policy Education and Social Research  
20 Methods at the University of Minnesota; and

21           **WHEREAS**, during his study as a Master’s Degree student and  
22 employed as a Research Associate at ISU, Larry Kasperbauer married the  
23 former Carmen Perez Torres Artero in 1958; and

1           **WHEREAS**, Larry’s initial faculty appointment in teaching was at Iowa  
2 State University from 1959 to 1962. And from 1963 until 1967, he held the rank  
3 of Assistant Professor of Sociology at Canisius College in Buffalo, New York;  
4 and

5           **WHEREAS**, in 1967, Dr. Larry Kasperbauer made a decision to relocate  
6 the Kasperbauer family to Guam, his wife Carmen’s native land, and  
7 permanently etch his place in history as a pioneer in the island’s public  
8 education system; and

9           **WHEREAS**, Dr. Kasperbauer’s initial appointment of Professor at the  
10 University of Guam began in June of 1967. During his tenure at the University  
11 of Guam, Larry, or “Dr. K”, as he came to be known, held such leadership  
12 positions as Chairman of the Department of Sociology and the Division of  
13 Social Sciences, Dean of the College of Education, Assistant Vice President,  
14 Professor of Sociology, and Director of the Community Development  
15 Institute. Following his retirement in 1993, Dr. K was awarded the title of  
16 Professor Emeritus of Sociology; and

17           **WHEREAS**, in accordance with his fundamental belief, which he  
18 learned from his parents, that “Education is the Way,” Dr. Kasperbauer,  
19 certified as a secondary teacher and School Superintendent/Principal, began  
20 his professional career as a faculty member at ISU in 1959 and worked up the  
21 ranks of his vocation as his education and life experiences evolved, becoming  
22 a University Professor, Professor Emeritus, Board of Education member, and  
23 Chairman; and as a five (5) term Senator where he has served as the Vice  
24 Speaker, Parliamentarian, Chairman of the Committee on Education and

1 Minority Whip and as a Vice Chair and Member of various Legislative  
2 Committees within *I Liheslaturan Guåhan*; and

3       **WHEREAS**, Dr. Kasperbauer balanced his professional career with a  
4 mirror commitment in civic engagement, serving in many community  
5 organizations. Notable among Larry’s long history of community service are  
6 his chairmanship of the Territorial Board of Education, member of the Dededo  
7 Municipal Planning Council, President of the Agana Heights PTA, President  
8 of the Guam Girl Scouts Board of Directors, Commissioner of the Guam Youth  
9 football League, President of the Island Rams Football Association, President  
10 of the Guam Running Club, Chairman of the Board of the Gugagan (NCS)  
11 Family Association, President of the Agana Heights Holy Name Society,  
12 member of the Knights of Columbus; and as a member of the University of  
13 Guam’s Endowment Foundation. Dr. Kasperbauer was initiated into the ISU  
14 Chapter of the Phi Delta Kappa in 1958 and helped organize the Guam  
15 Chapter of the Phi Delta Kappa, 1302 as Charter Member on September 30,  
16 1974; and

17       **WHEREAS**, at the regional level, Larry helped organize and was a  
18 Charter Member of the Association of Pacific Islands Boards of Education.  
19 Nationally, the National Association of State Board of Education elected him  
20 as one of the five (5) members to its Board of Directors where he represented  
21 all the Western States, including Alaska, Hawaii and several islands within  
22 the Pacific region; and

23       **WHEREAS**, today, Senator Kasperbauer and his wife Carmen, a Senator  
24 in the 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> Guam Legislatures, teacher, and retired school health

1 counselor, boast a family of five (5) children: Kevin, Karen, Brian, Steven, and  
2 Teresa and their spouses; nineteen (19) grandchildren, three (3) great-  
3 granddaughters and one (1) great grandson; and

4 **WHEREAS**, the island community recognizes the contributions of  
5 Senator Kasperbauer to education on Guam and knows him as a steadfast  
6 proponent of education; and

7 **WHEREAS**, Senator Kasperbauer's contributions to education and the  
8 community include authorship of over one hundred (100) laws that mandate  
9 the building and renovation of schools, make learning safer, expand higher  
10 educational opportunities for all of Guam's people, provide financial  
11 assistance and resources for island educators and nurses, and ensure public  
12 safety; and

13 **WHEREAS**, in May of 2005, Senator Larry F. Kasperbauer was  
14 bestowed with the honor of being one of Guam's premiere educators, by the  
15 Guam Chapter of the Phi Delta Kappa and was inducted into the "Guam  
16 Educator's Hall of Fame," (2005); and

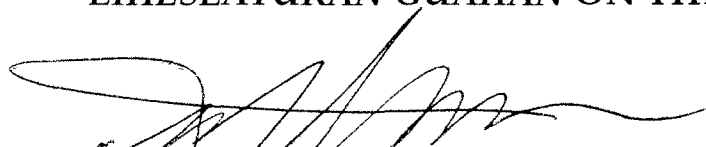
17 **WHEREAS**, on December 31, 2006, Senator Kasperbauer will complete  
18 ten (10) years of public service as a policy maker with *I Liheslaturan Guåhan*,  
19 serving as a Senator, Parliamentarian and Vice Speaker; now, therefore, be it

20 **RESOLVED**, that *I Mina' Bente Ocho Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby,  
21 on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the people of Guam, congratulate  
22 Senator Larry F. Kasperbauer, Ph.D., on the occasion of his departure from *I*  
23 *Liheslaturan Guåhan*; and to recognizing his many years of contributions and

1 lifelong dedication towards the improvement of public education and  
2 community development here on Guam; and be it further


3 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and certify, and the Secretary of the  
4 Legislature attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be  
5 thereafter transmitted to Senator and Mrs. Larry F. and Carmen Kasperbauer  
6 Ph.D. to each of his children; to Speaker Mark Forbes; and to the Honorable  
7 Felix P. Camacho, *I Maga'lahaen Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY OF I MINA'BENTE OCHO NA  
LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE 29<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF DECEMBER 2006.**



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**MARK FORBES**  
Speaker



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