

I MINA'BENTE OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
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As amended.

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Relative to commending the University of the Philippines Alumni on Guam for their many Educational, Civic and Charitable works, on the occasion of the Association's Twenty-Fifth (25th) Anniversary.

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

3 **WHEREAS,** the University of the Philippines alumni residing on Guam
4 initially organized to present a series of concerts on Guam by the University
5 of the Philippines Concert Chorus in 1978; and

1 **WHEREAS**, the alumni group was formally chartered as a non-profit
2 association in 1980, to be known as the University of the Philippines Alumni
3 on Guam (“UP Alumni, Guam”); and

4 **WHEREAS**, the membership of the University of the Philippines
5 Alumni on Guam has grown over the years to number more than one
6 hundred (100); and

7 **WHEREAS**, UP Alumni, Guam has directly contributed to the quality of
8 life for its members and their families over the years through fraternal events,
9 such as birthday observances, holiday get-togethers, hospital visits and
10 sharing the burdens of hospitalization and passing of family members; and

11 **WHEREAS**, as an association of University graduates, the University of
12 the Philippines Alumni on Guam sponsored appearances by expert public
13 speakers on contemporary issues, including UP Professor Solita Monsod on
14 “Investing in the Philippines” in 2002, UP Political Science Professor, Dr.
15 Randy David in 2001, and the renowned Dr. Renato Constantino for a
16 Symposium on Commonwealth in 1993; and

17 **WHEREAS**, to support academic pursuits by deserving Guam residents,
18 UP Alumni, Guam sponsored scholarships for Guam students attending the
19 University of the Philippines in Quezon City and the University of Guam; and

20 **WHEREAS**, UP Alumni, Guam have materially expressed their
21 dedication to continued quality education at their alma mater through a major
22 donation to the University of the Philippines Library Fund; and

23 **WHEREAS**, the University of the Philippines Alumni on Guam
24 promoted greater understanding of Philippine political evolution and thought

1 through a donation to the Nieves Flores Memorial Library of books authored
2 by noted Filipino historian and writer Dr. Renato Constantino; and

3 **WHEREAS**, the University of the Philippines Alumni on Guam have
4 hosted distinguished UP alumni visiting other Guam-based civic
5 organizations, including Chief Justice Marcelo Fernan, Senator Miriam
6 Defensor Santiago, UP Dean Dr. Raul de Guzman, UP professors Dr. Randy
7 David and Froilan Madrinan, Members of the Philippine Congress, provincial
8 Governors and town Mayors; and

9 **WHEREAS**, the University of the Philippines Alumni on Guam actively
10 promoted the cultural affinity of all Guam residents of Filipino descent
11 through fundraising for the Filipino Community of Guam clubhouse in
12 Barrigada; and

13 **WHEREAS**, UP Alumni, Guam raised major project funds to construct a
14 Picnic Shelter and Barbeque Pit at the *Paseo de Susana* for public use, which
15 was donated to the Department of Parks and Recreation in October 2004; and

16 **WHEREAS**, over its twenty-five (25) year history, the University of the
17 Philippines Alumni on Guam have sponsored numerous socio-cultural events
18 and activities benefiting the community at large, such as the 1984 "Moda
19 Filipina" fashion show by Jose Mari Hilario's *Couture Manille* to benefit the
20 original Chief Brodie Memorial School; also in 1984, the UP "Madrigal
21 Singers" concert benefit for the Civic Center Foundation of Guam, the
22 gastronomic forum and display "Delicacy in Wraps" in conjunction with the
23 Guam Humanities Council in 2000, and others; and

1 **WHEREAS**, members of the University of the Philippines Alumni on
2 Guam have consistently supported other worthy non-profit organizations
3 with monetary contributions over its first twenty-five (25) years, namely the
4 Guam Chapter of the American Red Cross, Guam Lytico-Bodig Association,
5 the American Cancer Society, Make-A-Wish Foundation, St. Dominic’s Senior
6 Care Home, St. Martin de Porres Hospital in Manila, Isla Center for the Arts at
7 the University of Guam, and to send Close Up Program participants from
8 John F. Kennedy High School and Simon Sanchez High School to Washington,
9 D.C.; and

10 **WHEREAS**, the University of the Philippines Alumni on Guam have
11 materially expressed their empathy for suffering victims of natural disasters
12 on Guam and in the Philippines, contributing generously towards their relief
13 following major typhoons, and the eruptions of Mt. Pinatubo and the Mayon
14 Volcano; and

15 **WHEREAS**, the various aforementioned activities of the University of
16 the Philippines Alumni on Guam reflect the members’ individual and
17 collective pride in their cultural heritage, the quality of education received at
18 the University of the Philippines, and subsequent success in their adopted
19 community; now, therefore, be it

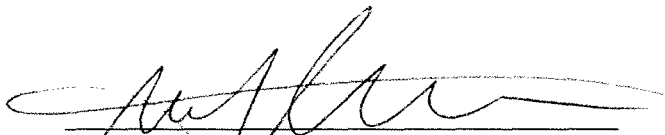
20 **RESOLVED**, that *I Mina’Bente Ocho Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby,
21 on behalf of the people of Guam, commends the University of the Philippines
22 Alumni on Guam for the many educational, civic and charitable works
23 performed on Guam and in the Philippines over the course of twenty-five (25)
24 years of organized effort; and be it further

1 **RESOLVED**, that *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* hereby congratulates, on behalf
2 of the People of Guam, the University of the Philippines Alumni on Guam on
3 the occasion of their Twenty-Fifth (25th) Anniversary celebration on April 23,
4 2005 at the Guam Hilton Resort and Spa; and be it further

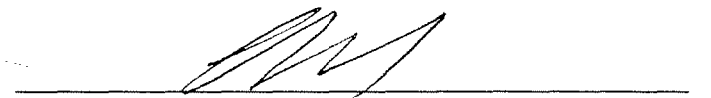
5 **RESOLVED**, that *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* extends to the members, officers
6 and directors of the University of the Philippines Alumni on Guam, its
7 heartfelt Best Wishes for every success in the years to come; and be it further

8 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker certify, and the Secretary of the
9 Legislature attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be
10 thereafter transmitted to Mr. Alfredo C. Cantoria, President, University of the
11 Philippines Alumni on Guam; and to the Honorable Felix P. Camacho, *I*
12 *Maga'lahaen Guåhan*.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY *I MINA'BENTE OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* ON THE 8TH DAY OF APRIL, 2005.



MARK FORBES
Speaker



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