## I MINA'BENTE OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN 2005 (FIRST) Regular Session

## **Resolution No. 56 (LS)**

As amended.

Introduced by:

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Relative to designating the week of May 15th through May 21st, 2005 as 'Guam Police Week' and honoring the courageous men and women of the Port Authority Police, the Guam Airport Police, and the Guam Police Department for their meritorious service in protecting our island.

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

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3 WHEREAS, National Police Week is celebrated nationwide from May

4 15th through May 21st, 2005 as a tribute and recognition to dedicated police

5 officers that protect our cherish freedoms we all count on every day; and

6 WHEREAS, courageous men and women of the Guam Police

Department, Port Authority Police and Guam Airport Police are tasked with
 the impartial, 'round-the-clock enforcement of Guam laws, which often
 subject these brave public servants to substantial personal risk and hazards
 while serving their communities throughout our Island; and

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5 WHEREAS, the Guam Police Department's stamina and bravery were 6 put to test during the month of March, 2005 with three (3) homicides and two 7 (2) vehicular fatalities; and

8 WHEREAS, the Guam Police Department joined forces with law 9 enforcement officers from the Department of Corrections, Customs and 10 Quarantine, Court Marshals, Department of Agriculture, and the Federal 11 Bureau of Investigations to apprehend three (3) escaped prisoners from the 12 Department of Corrections facilities; and

13 WHEREAS, severe shortages of manpower and personnel were 14 overcome in apprehension of the escaped prisoners, as officers gave up 15 regular days off, working twelve (12) hour shifts, and sacrificing their Easter 16 Holiday time with their families; and

WHEREAS, many caring police officers, as well as peace officers charged with keeping the peace and apprehending violators, have perished in the line of duty while protecting our liberties and, quite often, gave their lives to save the life of another, acknowledged as the ultimate sacrifice and that our island will especially remember those devoted and courageous souls at the *Hagåtña* Police Memorial Monument on 'Peace Officers Memorial Day' that will be observed on Friday, May 15th, 2005; and

24 WHEREAS, active, retired and police officers who have passed away 25 are fully deserving of every recognition from the public for their exceptional 1 services provided to our Island and people; now, therefore, be it

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RESOLVED, that *I Mina'Bente Ocho Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby,
on behalf of the people of Guam, commend and congratulate the dedicated
men and women of law enforcement for their integrity, high caliber of
professionalism and loyalty, and acknowledge their adherence to the highest
standards and traditions of the Guam Police Department, the Guam Airport
Police and the Port Authority Police; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that I Mina' Bente Ocho Na Liheslaturan Guåhan does hereby, 8 9 on behalf of the people of Guam, designate the week of May 15<sup>th</sup> through May 21st, 2005, as "Guam Police Week", and does further encourage the 10 community of Guam to participate in celebrating with members of the Guam 11 Police Department, the Guam Airport Police, and the Port Authority Police 12 those programs designed to honor the brave police officers and peace officers 13 14of Guam and of the nation who have contributed so much to the preservation of life and property through fair and swift enforcement of law and the civilian 15 employees who support the officers; and be it further 16

RESOLVED, that the Speaker certify, and the Secretary of the
Legislature attests to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be
thereafter transmitted to Captain Leon R. Ryan, Chairperson of the 2005
Guam Police Week Planning Committee; to Mr. Frank T. Ishizaki, Chief of
Police; to Antonio B. Taitingfong, Acting Chief, Guam Airport Police; to Ms.
Doris C. Aguero, Chief, Port Authority Police; and to the Honorable Felix P.
Camacho, *I Maga'lahen Guåhan*.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY I MINA'BENTE OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE 14<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF APRIL, 2005.

MARK FORBES Speaker EDWARD J.B. CALVO

Senator and Secretary of the Legislature