MINA'BENTE NUEBI LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN 2008 (SECOND) Regular Session

L5 Res. No. <u>110</u> (E)

Introduced by:

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Relative to commending the Honorable F. Philip Carbullido for his outstanding performance as the Chief Justice of Guam and to express sincere gratitude for numerous accomplishments under his leadership.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF *I* MINA'BENTE OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN:

WHEREAS, the Honorable F. Philip Carbullido came to the island Judiciary as an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of Guam on October 27, 2000; and

WHEREAS, the Honorable F. Philip Carbullido was elected Chief Justice on January 22, 2003 to serve the unexpired term of former Chief Justice Peter C. Siguenza; and

WHEREAS, the Honorable Chief Justice F. Philip Carbullido championed the fight of his appellate predecessors to firmly secure the role of the Supreme Court of Guam and Judicial Branch as a separate, co-equal and independent branch by Congressional enactment of federal law, the Judicial Empowerment Act; and

WHEREAS, after the passage of the Judicial Empowerment Act, the Honorable Chief Justice F. Philip Carbullido lead the reorganization of the judiciary and consolidated the court functions into the Unified Courts of Guam to institute and enhance operational efficiencies for the benefit of court patrons, practitioners and the public-at-large; and

WHEREAS, the Honorable Chief Justice F. Philip Carbullido set higher ethical standards and worked to increase professionalism within the judiciary; and

WHEREAS, to increase the court's efficiency, the Honorable Chief Justice F. Philip Carbullido worked for the development and modification of operational and procedural rules, as well as streamlined operations and implanted new programs which included extended filing hours, computer generated assignments of cases and a user friendly computer system; and

WHEREAS, the Honorable Chief Justice F. Philip Carbullido instituted time standards to make sure that cases moved in a timely manner to reduce costs and time for all parties; and

WHEREAS, to ensure that evidence brought before the courts of Guam is properly handled and professionally evaluated and analyzed, the Honorable Chief Justice F. Philip Carbullido collaborated with law enforcement entities and public leaders to have the Judiciary fund and construct a state-of-the-art forensic science laboratory for the Guam Police Department and island community; and

WHEREAS, recognizing the need to bring the standard of public service at par with other respected judiciaries as well as meet the demands from our island's growth over the next decade, the Honorable Chief Justice F. Philip Carbullido was instrumental in the development and implementation of the Long Range Strategic Plan of the United Judiciary of Guam; and

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WHEREAS, the Honorable Chief Justice F. Philip Carbullido served as a leader for judicial education in the region as the Chairman of the Pacific Judicial Council and promoted education for jurists and court personnel throughout the Asia Pacific region; and

WHEREAS, the Honorable Chief Justice F. Philip Carbullido also promoted our island judiciary at the national level and was elected Second Vice-President of the Conference of Chief Justices, where he secured technical assistance for Guam's courts; and

WHEREAS, the Honorable Chief Justice F. Philip Carbullido strongly believes in educating the public on the judicial system so he initiated programs like the First Oral Argument Outreach at the University of Guam; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Executive Committee of *I Mina'Bente Nuebi Na Liheslaturan Guahan* does hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam commend the Honorable Chief Justice F. Philip Carbullido for his outstanding record of accomplishments during his tenure as the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Guam; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Speaker certify to and the Chairmen of the Executive Committee certify, and the Secretary of the Legislature attest the adoption hereof and that copies of the same be transmitted to the Honorable F. Philip Carbullido; and the Honorable Felix P. Camacho, *I Maga'lahen Guåhan*.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY *I MINA' NUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* ON THE ____ DAY OF FEBRUARY 2008.

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EDWARD J.B. CALVO

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Acting Speaker

Ray Tenorio

Acting Secretary of the Legislature