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

Resolution No. 1/6(5)

Introduced by:

Dr. David L. G. Shimizu Tina Muna Barnes Judith T. Won Pat, El D

Relative to recognizing and commending Dr. Jonathan E. Morris for his fifteen years of volunteer teaching service to the Guam Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse and for also establishing an elective for medical students and psychiatrists-in-training on "Clinical Assessment in a Multicultural Environment" at the Maine Medical Center in Portland, Maine, leading to medical students and psychiatrists—in-training visiting Guam and offering psychiatric services to the department.

## BE IT RESOLVED BY I MINA' BENTE NUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN

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3 WHEREAS, Dr. Jonathan E. Morris, M.D., M.P.H., a psychiatrist employed at

the Maine Medical Center, Portland, Maine, has been coming to Guam each year at

his own expense since 1994 and has been volunteering his services to teach at the

Guam Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Morris has a childhood connection to Guam, as in 1970-71 he

attended Ninth Grade at George Washington Junior High School in Ordot, now

known as Agueda Johnson Middle School; and

10 **WHEREAS**, during Dr. Morris' childhood year spent on Guam, his father, Dr.

11 Charles Morris, M.D., a neurologist, was appointed by Dr. Jacob Brody, M.D. as

12 Officer-in-Charge of the NINDS Research Center located on the fifth floor of the old

13 Guam Memorial Hospital studying Parkinsonism-Dementia Complex and ALS, also

- 1 known as lytico-bodig; during that same year, Dr. Morris' mother, Dr. Naomi Morris,
- 2 M.D., M.P.H., a public health/preventive medicine/pediatrics specialist and expert in
- 3 maternal and child health, worked within the Guam Department of Public Health and
- 4 Social Services; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Dr. Morris subsequently was educated at Chapel Hill Senior High
- 6 School in Chapel Hill, North Carolina; received a B.S. Degree with Departmental
- 7 Honors in Biology at Stanford University, in Palo Alto, California and earned an
- 8 M.D. Degree at the University of North Carolina School of Medicine at Chapel Hill;
- 9 and
- WHEREAS, Dr. Morris completed a residency in psychiatry, became a Fellow
- in Community Psychiatry, and earned a Masters Degree in Public Health, all at the
- 12 University of North Carolina Schools of Medicine and Public Health; and
- WHEREAS, Dr. Morris located to the state of Maine in 1987 and has held
- 14 numerous positions at the Maine Medical Center, including Assistant Director,
- 15 Division of Acute Psychiatry; Director, Division of Community Psychiatry; Director,
- 16 Division of Consultation-Liaison Psychiatry; and Attending Psychiatrist, Division of
- 17 Inpatient Services; and
- 18 **WHEREAS,** prior to working at the Maine Medical Center, Dr. Morris was a
- 19 Teaching and Staff Psychiatrist at Wake Area Health Education Center, Raleigh
- 20 North Carolina, and currently is a Clinical Associate Professor in the Department of
- 21 Psychiatry at the University of Vermont College of Medicine; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Morris has engaged in numerous professional activities, too numerous to mention, such as being a board member for a number of non profit organizations involved in mental health activities, and serving on the national level as an examiner for psychiatry specialty certification, and as a review committee member for the accreditation of psychiatry residency training programs; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Morris has been an educator in his chosen field for many years, teaching medical students, residents in various medical specialties, and has also published articles in medical journals and made national presentations to the American Psychiatric Association; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Morris is most appreciated on Guam for his unselfish volunteering of his time and his resources to our island through teaching and assistance to the Guam Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse, and also teaching at the University of Guam; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED,** that *I Mina' Bente Nuebi Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, recognize and commend Dr. Jonathan E. Morris, M.D.; M.P.H. for his unselfish giving of his time and expertise to the cause of bettering treatment in the area of mental health on Guam, an area of constant need and lack of adequate resources in our community; and be it further

**RESOLVED,** that the Speaker certify, and the Secretary of the Legislature attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Dr. Jonathan E. Morris, M.D., M.P.H.; to the President/CEO, Maine Medical Center; to the Guam Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse; and to the Honorable Felix P. Camacho, *I Maga'lahen Guåhan*.

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