

Relative to congratulating *Kloppenburg Enterprises, Inc.* within our islands distinguished small business community awarded the 2008 Guam Small Business Administration Jeffrey Butland Family-Owned Business of the Year.

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

WHEREAS, the late Earl Edward Kloppenburg envisioned the limitless
potential of the island upon his and his wife, Lois', arrival to Guam in 1947;
and

6 WHEREAS, Earl and Lois Kloppenburg started their business in 1950 7 with the opening of Guam Factors, a gift shop specializing in sales of imports 8 from the Orient and whose business holdings grew to include the Specialty 9 House, Earl's Hut, The Office, Tapa Room, Hideaway and Coffee Pot 10 restaurants; and

WHEREAS, the businesses were consolidated into Kloppenburg Enterprises, Inc. (*KEI*) in 1964

WHEREAS, *Kloppenburg Enterprises Inc.* first founded Pacific Island
Caterers (now Lufthansa Services Group, LSG) in 1966. The company then

opened a few more businesses from 1966 - 1969 to include Earl's Hut, a 40unit hotel; Turtle Tours (a transport and charter company), Paradise Pier (a
water sports activity center in Merizo) and Turtle Cove (a 60-unit A-frame
campsite with water and recreational activities including fairs featuring
craftsman and dancers from Guam and Micronesia; and

6 WHEREAS, *Kloppenburg Enterprises Inc.* consists of Turtle Tours, the 7 Shopping Express Bus System, Adventure River Cruises and Iruka (Dolphin) 8 Watching Adventure Tour. The company also offers the following optional 9 tours: Eco Adventure Tours, Iruka Sun Tour, Nautilus Guam Tour and Agana 10 Bay Sunset Cruise Tour. In addition to being the market leader in the tourism 11 industry, *KEI* participates in the privatization of the mass transit service and 12 offers bus service to the local market; and

WHEREAS, *Kloppenburg Enterprises Inc.* employs 130 individuals in the combined optional tour and transportation business. The company anticipates an increase in employment opportunities particularly in its transportation segment with the realignment of the United States military bases from Japan to Guam; and

18 WHEREAS, the Kloppenburg family are pioneers of Guam's tourism 19 industry and Bradley Kloppenburg, the third generation of the Kloppenburg 20 legacy, has joined the business having the major role to determine new 21 business opportunities that *KEI* may have an interest in; now, therefore, be it

22 **RESOLVED**, that *I Mina'Bente Nuebi Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does 23 hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, congratulate Mr. Bruce 24 Kloppenburg, Mrs. Donna Kloppenburg, Mr. Tom Kloppenburg, Mr. Travis Kloppenburg and Mr. Bradley Kloppenburg, principal owners, *Kloppenburg Enterprises, Inc.* within our islands small business community awarded the
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 of the Year; and be it further

5 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker certify, and the Secretary of the 6 Legislature attest to, the adoption hereof and that copies of the same be 7 thereafter transmitted to *Kloppenburg Enterprises, Inc.;* and to the Honorable 8 Felix P. Camacho, *I Maga'lahen Guåhan*.

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

RAY TENORIO Acting Speaker JESSE A. LUJAN Senator and Secretary of the Legislature