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

Resolution No. 152(45)

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Relative to recognizing and commemorating the celebration of Law Week during the week of April 27, 2008 to May 4, 2008, and the May 1<sup>st</sup> 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebrations of Law Day and commending the practitioners of law for their outstanding efforts to educate our entire community on the importance of understanding the law.

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

- 2 **GUÅHAN**:
- 3 WHEREAS, Law Day is a celebration of our nation's great heritage of
- 4 liberty, justice and equality under law; and
- 5 **WHEREAS**, this country was founded on the principle that voluntary
- 6 adherence to the rule of law expands, rather than limits, the opportunities for
- 7 freedom; and
- 8 WHEREAS, a viable democracy requires understanding of the nature
- 9 and basis of our freedoms and recognition of the individual responsibilities
- 10 which those freedoms impose; and

WHEREAS, all citizens, both young and old, need to understand their
rights and responsibilities under the law to become effective participants in
our nation's civil life; and

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WHEREAS, the Law Day 2008 theme of "The Rule of Law: Foundation for Communities of Opportunity and Equity" encourages us all to examine the rule of law, our role in its sustainability, and its role in protecting our communities, our democracy, opportunity, equity, and all that is most precious to us; and

9 WHEREAS, the Guam Bar Association, in coordination with the 10 Judiciary of Guam, has scheduled numerous events in order to familiarize the 11 community on the importance of living and abiding by the law. Among the 12 notable events that will take place during the course of the week include: a mock trial involving kindergarten students in the trial of Goldilocks and the 13 Three Bears, short seminars on a variety of topics from domestic to criminal 14 law, a Law Fair at the Agana Shopping Center and Judiciary Parking Area, 15 16 and the inaugural Guam Bar Association Golf Tournament, with the proceeds to benefit indigent clients in need of legal representation; now therefore, be it 17

18 **RESOLVED**, that *I Mina'Bente Nuebi Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does 19 hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, joins the nation and our local 20 community in recognizing and celebrating the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Law Day 21 on May 1<sup>st</sup>, as well as commemorating the week of April 28, 2008 to May 4,

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2008 as Law Week under the theme, "The Rule of Law: Foundation for
Communities of Opportunity and Equity"; 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 The Honorable Robert J. Torres, Chief Justice, Supreme Court of Guam; to Rawlen M. T. Mantanona, President, Guam Bar Association; to Rodney J. Jacob, Chairman, Law Week Planning Committee; and to the Honorable Felix P. Camacho, *I Maga'lahen Guåhan*.

## DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY I MINA'BENTE NUEBI NALIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THEDAY OF2008.

JUDITH T. WON PAT Speaker TINA ROSE MUNA-BARNES Senator and Secretary of the Legislature