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

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Resolution No.

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Relative to recognizing April 27, to May 3, 2008, as National Volunteer Week and commending and expressing appreciation to all volunteers and volunteer organizations throughout Guam including AmeriCorps, The Serve Guam! Commission, and the Guam Memorial Hospital Volunteer Association for their hard work, dedication and contributions of time and talent to making a difference in the lives of our children, the elderly and those with special needs

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

WHEREAS, this special week is about engaging individuals in service, inspiring a nation to join a movement for change and about showing the island and the nation that we meet our challenges, not as isolated individuals but as members of a true community with all of us working together; and

WHEREAS, volunteers have given over 1,000,000 hours of service and provided more than \$4 million in medical equipment and furnishings to our island's only civilian hospital since 1965; and

WHEREAS, since the inception of the Serve Guam! Commission in June 2005, AmeriCorps members have given more than 150,000 hours of service to

12 the people of Guam; and

1 WHEREAS, the Serve Guam! Commission continues to expand service

2 opportunities through AmeriCorps programs, the Department of Youth

3 Affairs, the Micronesian Business Association Impact Today!, Sanctuary

4 Guam, the University of Guam, Inafa' Maulek, and the Department of

5 Agriculture; and

WHEREAS, in celebrating National Volunteer Week, recognition and praise should also be given to the monumental efforts of the Guam Memorial Hospital Volunteers Association, supplementing the professional staff in caring for patients at the hospital by giving their time and sharing their talents to provide them comfort, and extensive work with children.

WHEREAS, National Volunteer Week reflects the power that volunteers lead by example and both encourage those they help and motivate others to serve; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that *I Mina'Bente Nuebi Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, recognize the week of April 27, to May 3, 2008, as "National Volunteer Week," 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 Serve Guam! Commission; to AmeriCorps Guam (Department of Youth Affairs, the Micronesian Business Association Impact Today!, Sanctuary Guam, the UOG Success Center, Inafa' Maulek and the Department of Agriculture; to the Guam Memorial Hospital Volunteers Association; and to the Honorable Felix P. Camacho, *I Maga'lahen Guåhan*.

DULY AND REGULARLY AD <i>LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN</i> ON	OPTED BY <i>I MINA'BENTE NUEBI NA</i> THE DAY OF APRIL 2008.
JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D	TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES
Speaker	Senator and
	Secretary of the Legislature