MINA'BENTE NUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN 2007 (FIRST) REGULAR SESSION

Resolution No. 4 (EC)

Introduced by:

v.c. pangelinan

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Relative to authorizing I Maga'lahen Guahan to arrange a line of credit for an additional Four Million Dollars as authorized in 5GCA Division 2, Chapter 22, Article 4 for a total of Ten Million Dollars (\$10M) for the purpose of making partial payment to the COLA class award pursuant to Superior Court of Guam Case No. SP 0206-93

1 BE IT RESOLVED BY I LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN:

2 WHEREAS, on November 21, 2006 in Superior Court of Guam Case No.

SP0206-93, a final judgment was issued ordering the government of Guam to

pay \$123,580,231.00 to the Cost of Living Allowance retiree class; and

5 **WHEREAS**, P.L. 28-151 authorized *I Maga'lahen Guahan* to provide and

facilitate initial payment pursuant to the judgment; and

WHEREAS, Executive Order 2006-30 was signed and promulgated on

November 28, 2006 establishing an agreement with a consortium of financial

lending and investment institutions for the purpose of paying the cost of

living allowance award in accordance with P.L. 28-151 and the court

11 judgment; and

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WHEREAS, notwithstanding assurances to pay Twenty-Three Million

Dollars (\$23M) to satisfy the COLA judgment through partial payments, not

- 1 one of the 4,787 retiree class has received any payment; and
- 2 WHEREAS, Bill 23, a measure recently transmitted to I Liheslaturan
- 3 Guahan seeking to approve the agreement between the consortium of financial
- 4 institutions and the government of Guam for COLA payments is subject to
- 5 the outcome of an ongoing Bond Borrowing Case No. 06-116 before the
- 6 United States Supreme Court; and
- WHEREAS, without further delay, the government of Guam desires to
- 8 fulfill its obligation to pay the COLA judgment award through all possible
- 9 means; and
- 10 WHEREAS, I Maga'lahen Guahan is authorized pursuant to 5GCA
- 11 Division 2, Chapter 22, Article 4 to arrange a line of credit for Six Million
- 12 Dollars (\$6M) and up to Ten Million Dollars (\$10M) with any amount
- 13 exceeding Six Million Dollars (\$6M) be approved by a resolution passed by *I*
- 14 Liheslaturan Guahan; and now therefore be it
- 15 **RESOLVED**, that I Mina'Bente Nuebi Na Liheslaturan Guåhan does
- 16 hereby, authorize I Maga'lahen Guahan to arrange the additional Four Million
- 17 Dollars (\$4,000,000) line of credit in excess of the Six Million Dollars
- 18 (\$6,000,000) authorized by 5GCA Division 2, Chapter 22, Article 4 for a total
- of Ten Million Dollars (\$10,000,000) for the purpose of making an initial and
- 20 partial payment to the COLA class; and be it further
- 21 **RESOLVED**, that the Governor and the Legislature recognize that
- 22 this is a partial payment as a sign of good faith on the part of the
- 23 government, and the Governor and the Legislature will continue to
- 24 pursue all other available means including the consortium loan to fully

	Mark Forbes Ray Tenorio Speaker Senator and Legislative Secretary
	DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED ON THE DAY OF, 2007.
6	transmitted to the Honorable Felix P. Camacho, I Maga'lahen Guåhan.
5	attests to, the adoption hereof and that copies of the same be thereafter
4	RESOLVED, that the Speaker certify, and the Legislative Secretary
3	possible; and be it further
2	paid out under this authorization owed to the retirees as soon as
Ţ	pay the award less the Ten Million Dollars (\$10,000,000) or any amount