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Relative to commending and congratulating the Top Officials 4 Planners for the successful implementation of the recent TOPOFF4 exercises.

1 BE IT RESOLVED BY I MINA BENTE NUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN

- 2 GUÅHAN:
- 3 **WHEREAS**, the Guam Office of Homeland Security in conjunction with
- 4 the U.S. Department of Homeland Security conducted the largest and most
- 5 comprehensive counterterrorism exercise from October 15-19, 2007 in Guam,
- 6 Arizona and Oregon; and

WHEREAS, Top Officials 4 (TOPOFF 4) is the fourth in a series of congressionally-mandated exercises and involved various federal agencies as well as the governments of Australia, Canada and the United Kingdom; and

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WHEREAS, TOPOFF 4 involved more than 15,000 participants from all levels of government, international partners and the private sector in a fullscale, simulated response to radiological dispersal device attacks. The exercise focused on five (5) key areas: (1) Prevention: tested the handling and flow of operational and time-critical intelligence between agencies to prevent a terrorist attack; (2) Intelligence/investigation: tested the handling and flow of operational and time-critical intelligence between agencies prior to, and in response to, a linked terrorist incident; (3) Incident management: tested the full range of existing procedures for domestic incident management of a terrorist weapon of mass destruction event and to improve the top officials' capabilities to respond, consistent with the U.S. National Response Plan and the National Incident Management System; (4) Public information: practiced the strategic coordination of media relations and public information in the context of a terrorist weapon of mass destruction event or incident of national significance; and (5) Evaluation: identified lessons learned and promoted best practices; and

WHEREAS, TOPOFF 4 provided an opportunity to fully integrate the National Preparedness Goal and in pursuit of a National Exercise Program, and as part of the program, private sector organizations were encouraged to participate in TOPOFF 4 exercises; and

WHEREAS, as a result of the TOPOFF 4 exercise, Guam's overall national significance was clearly revealed. The exercise disclosed how damage

to Guam's critical infrastructure would directly impact the island's
Department of Defense installations because these limited resources must be
shared by all who live here, military or civilian – sea port, airport, aquifers,
generated power and communication lines. Safeguarding Guam's critical
infrastructure must be one of the nation's top priorities and these
vulnerabilities should be included on the national registry for federal grant
eligibility; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that I Mina'Bente Nuebi Na Liheslaturan Guåhan does 8 9 hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, commend and congratulate all government of Guam Top Officials 4 Planners: Eric Fisher, Guam Police 10 11 Department, T4 Lead Planner; Rolando Delfin, Department of Agriculture, Assistant Lead Planner; Linda Alegarbes, Guam Homeland Security/Office of 12 13 Civil Defense, Control and Evaluation and Scenario; Tanya Bejado, Guam Homeland Security/Office of Civil Defense, Control and Evaluation and 14 15 Scenario; Albina Buccat, Guam Police Department, Control and Evaluation 16 and Scenario; James Buccat, Guam Police Department, Control and Evaluation 17 Scenario and Cyber; Albert Buendicho, Department of Youth Affairs, Control 18 and Evaluation and Scenario; Cassandra Castro, Guam Memorial Hospital Authority, Control and Evaluation, Scenario and External Affairs; Diane Cruz, 19 20 Office of the Governor, External Affairs; Shawn Gumataotao, Office of the 21 Governor, External Affairs; Lesley Leon Guerrero, Guam Homeland Security/Office of Civil Defense, Control and Evaluation Scenario and 22 External Affairs; Andrew Leon Guerrero, Department of Public Works, 23 Control and Evaluation Scenario; Angel Llagas, Guam Fire Department, 24 25 Control and Evaluation Scenario and External Affairs; Jeffery Palacios, Guam

Customs and Quarantine Agency, Control and Evaluation Scenario, and 1 2 Cyber; Lucia Perez, GTA, Control and Evaluation Scenario and External Affairs; Michael Quinata, Department of Corrections, Control and Evaluation 3 and Scenario; Bertha Taijeron, Deptartment of Public Health and Social 4 Services, Control and Evaluation Scenario and External Affairs; Chalsea 5 Torres, Department of Corrections, Control and Evaluation Scenario and 6 7 Private Sector; Jim Lacson, Bureau of Information Technology, Cyber; Richard Calamba, Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse, Scenario; 8 9 Cynthia Naval, Department of Public Health and Social Services, Control and 10 Evaluation Scenario; Cecilia Javier, Department of Public Works, Control and 11 Evaluation Scenario; Dominic Muna, Department of Public Works, Control 12 and Evaluation Scenario; Linda Suarez, Department of Public Works, Control and Evaluation Scenario; Shon Muna, Department of Public Works, Control 13 and Evaluation Scenario; Ben Pangelinan, Guam Customs and Quarantine 14 15 Agency, Control and Evaluation Scenario, Cyber; Christopher Sablan, Guam Customs and Quarantine Agency, Cyber; Peter Ungacta, Guam Customs and 16 17 Quarantine Agency, Cyber; Lucia Calvo, Guam Hotel and Restaurant 18 Association, Private Sector; Mary Torre, Guam Hotel and Restaurant Association, Private Sector; Leon Ryan, Guam Police Department, Control and 19 20 Evaluation Scenario; John Crisostomo, Guam Power Authority, Control and Evaluation Scenario; Richard Bersamin, Guam Power Authority, Control and 21 22 Evaluation Scenario; Tamra Muna, Guam Power Authority, Control and 23 Evaluation Scenario; Bruce Williams, Guam Public School System, Control and Evaluation Scenario; Mary Torres, Guam Visitors Bureau, Private Sector; 24

- and John Pangelinan, Guam Waterworks Authority, Control and Evaluation 1
- 2 Scenario; and be it further
- 3 RESOLVED, that the Speaker certify, and the Secretary of the
- Legislature attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be 4
- 5 thereafter transmitted to all government of Guam Top Officials 4 Planners; to
- Michael Chertoff, Secretary, U.S. Department of Homeland Security; to the 6
- 7 Honorable Madeleine Z. Bordallo, Guam's Delegate to the United States
- 8 Congress; and to the Honorable Felix P. Camacho, I Maga'lahen Guåhan.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY I MINA'BENTE NUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN 20TH THE ON DAY OF DECEMBER,

2007.

EDWARD J.B. CALVO

Acting Speaker

RAY TENORIO

Senator and

Secretary of the Legislature