

I MINA'BENTE NUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
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Resolution No. 11 (LS)

As amended.

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Relative to proclaiming the month of May 2007 as "*Guam Nurses Month*" and to commending and congratulating the Nurses of Guam on the American Nurses Association's celebration of "*Nursing: A Profession and a Passion*".

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

3 **WHEREAS**, the two million nine hundred thousand (2.9m) registered
4 nurses in the United States comprise our nation's largest health care
5 profession. The Guam Board of Nurses Examiners has issued licenses to six
6 hundred seventy (670) Registered Nurses and one hundred thirty six (136)
7 Licensed Practical Nurses, thus making nursing the largest health care

1 profession on Guam. The registered nursing profession meets the different
2 and emerging health care needs of the people of Guam; and

3 **WHEREAS**, the Guam Nurses Association is working to chart a new
4 course for a healthy island community that will rely on increased primary and
5 preventive health care, a course that will require a better use of all our island's
6 registered nurses; and

7 **WHEREAS**, professional nursing is indispensable to the safety and
8 quality of care of hospitalized patients. The demand for registered nursing
9 services will soon be greater than ever because of the aging of the American
10 population, the expansion of life-sustaining technology and the growth of
11 home care services; and

12 **WHEREAS**, the commitment of nurses to provide beyond the call of
13 duty and to contribute to the healing of their patients, their families and those
14 they love is a standard of care universal in Guam's nursing profession; and

15 **WHEREAS**, the American Nurses Association has declared May 6 to 12,
16 2007 as National Nurses Week with the theme "*Nursing: A Profession and a*
17 *Passion*" in celebration of registered nurses who provide safe and high quality
18 patient care and who plan ways to improve the national health care system;
19 and

20 **WHEREAS**, the Guam Nurses Association, a constituent member of the
21 American Nurses Association, has likewise declared the month of May 2007 to
22 be "*Guam Nurses Month*"; now, therefore, be it


23 **RESOLVED**, that *I Mina'Bente Nuebi Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does
24 hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, commend and congratulate the
25 nurses of Guam and request that *I Maga'lahaen Guåhan* proclaim the month of

1 May 2007 as “Guam Nurses Month” with the theme “Nursing: A Profession and a
2 Passion”; and be it further

3 **RESOLVED**, that *I Mina’Bente Nuebi Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* encourages
4 the people of Guam to celebrate nurses’ accomplishments and efforts to
5 improve our health care system and to show appreciation for our island’s
6 registered nurses not just during this month, but at every opportunity
7 throughout the year; and be it further

8 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker certify, and the Secretary of the
9 Legislature attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be
10 thereafter transmitted to the Officers of the Guam Nurses Association; to the
11 American Nursing Association; to the Honorable Madeleine Z. Bordallo,
12 Member of Congress, U. S. House of Representatives; and to the Honorable
13 Felix P. Camacho, *I Maga’lahen Guåhan*.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY I MINA’BENTE NUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE 19TH DAY OF MARCH 2007.


MARK FORBES
Speaker


RAY TENORIO
Senator and
Secretary of the Legislature