

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

**Resolution No. 128 (LS)**

As amended.

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Relative to congratulating Mrs. Dolores "*Laling*" McDonald Pangelinan, Owner/Buyer, "*Special Events by Les Papillon*" within our islands distinguished "Small Business Community Awarded the 2008 Home-Based Business Champion of the Year".

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

3           WHEREAS, Mrs. Dolores, "*Laling*" McDonald Pangelinan is a woman of  
4 reverence whose story is one of sacrifice, tragedy and ultimately triumph.  
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1 Mrs. Pangelinan is the eldest of twelve (12) siblings who understood early in  
2 life the value of family and that through love and support, one can overcome  
3 anything; and

4 **WHEREAS**, Mrs. Dolores “*Laling*” McDonald Pangelinan learned her  
5 son was stricken with cerebral palsy and decided to retire from her full-time  
6 job to be able to care for and spend the last years of her son’s life with him.  
7 *Laling* decided to start a business that would keep her close to home and  
8 supplement her family income with her skill for baking and experience with  
9 party planning. *Laling* obtained her business license and started “*Special*  
10 *Events by Les Papillon*”; and

11 **WHEREAS**, running a home-based business afforded *Laling* the  
12 flexibility to be the main caregiver for her son who has since passed on. She  
13 somberly recalls the days of rushing home after setting up a party to ensure  
14 that someone was always home to care for him. *Laling’s* toughest challenge  
15 these days is ensuring she is there to care for her grandchildren and often  
16 plans and works her schedule around her baby-sitting hours; and

17 **WHEREAS**, as with many small communities, success can be generated  
18 naturally with family networks as in the case for *Laling* success came easy  
19 from a snowballing of referrals garnered through the many local celebrations  
20 that she has baked for and has helped plan; and

21 **WHEREAS**, “*Special Events by Les Papillon*” was established in 1986 as a  
22 bakeshop/event planning business on Guam owned and operated in the  
23 home by Mrs. Dolores *Laling* McDonald Pangelinan. Establishing the business  
24 from the comforts of home was the best decision for *Laling* as it allowed her to

1 stay home to care for her late son and it keeps her close to her family; and

2       **WHEREAS**, to assist *Laling* with her flourishing business, "*Special Events*  
3 *by Les Papillon*" and allow her to offer more services, her husband, John,  
4 constructed a small building adjacent to the family home where the majority  
5 of the business operates. Mr. Pangelinan has also built many of the props she  
6 uses for all the parties she organizes. *Laling's* children have also helped  
7 decorate backgrounds and organize parties; and

8       **WHEREAS**, "*Special Events by Les Papillon*" has expanded to include cake  
9 decorating, floral arrangement, event planning, special function organization  
10 and prop background setting. Her home business has been extended for extra  
11 storage and bakery space to handle projects at a commercial level. Her four  
12 (4) storage areas include: one (1) room for table skirts and fabric, one (1) room  
13 for ribbons, cake supplies and flowers, one (1) room for tables and one (1)  
14 room for additional props. *Laling's* home also includes: three (3) kitchens one  
15 (1) for the family's personal use, second (2) for baking and the third (3) for  
16 decorating cakes; and

17       **WHEREAS**, through money saved while working full-time, "*Laling*"  
18 was able to purchase supplies as well as a van to deliver the decorations and  
19 pastries to events. She became a member of special events and attended many  
20 conventions to keep up with the changing market, provided her great  
21 exposure and allowed her to keep abreast with new trends in her field of  
22 business. "*Laling*" also offers a website featuring her product offering and  
23 showcases many of her previous events; and

1           **WHEREAS**, a true advocate for the community, *Laling* hopes that more  
2 local people will be inspired to start their own business which could help  
3 stimulate the economy. *Laling* McDonald Pangelinan is pleased with the  
4 success of “*Special Events by Les Papillon*” and hopes to continue to offer her  
5 services for generations to come; and

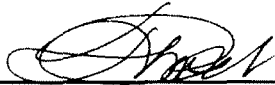
6           **WHEREAS**, *Laling* proclaims how absolutely overjoyed she is to  
7 provide services to customers who have gone through her before, stating, “It  
8 feels like meeting up with long-lost relatives”. She demonstrates that success  
9 can be achieved through dedication, hard work and maintaining the value of  
10 family; and

11           **WHEREAS**, with over twenty (20) years of experience, *Laling* prides  
12 herself in referrals and return business as many of her satisfied customers  
13 have vowed to use her services for other special events or have referred her  
14 services to their family and friends. In the end, the spirit of her son lives on  
15 through the success of “*Special Events by Les Papillon*”, a fact that *Laling* will  
16 never forget; now, therefore, be it

17           **RESOLVED**, that *I Mina'Bente Nuebi Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does  
18 hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, congratulate Mrs. Dolores “*Laling*”  
19 McDonald Pangelinan, Owner/Buyer, “*Special Events by Les Papillon*”  
20 within our islands distinguished Small Business Community Awarded the  
21 2008 Home-Based Business Champion of the Year and further extend to her a  
22 sincere *Un Dångklo Na Si Yu'os Ma'åse'* for the outstanding joy and  
23 contribution she has brought to countless number of residents of our Island  
24 Community; and be it further

1           **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker certify, and the Secretary of the  
2 Legislature attest to, the adoption hereof and that copies of the same be  
3 thereafter transmitted to Mrs. Dolores “*Laling*” McDonald Pangelinan; and to  
4 the Honorable Felix P. Camacho, *I Maga'lahen Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY I MINA'BENTE NUEBI NA  
LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE 13<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF MARCH 2008.**



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**JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D.**  
Speaker



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**TINA ROSE MUNA BARNES**  
Senator and  
Secretary of the Legislature