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

Resolution No. 152 (LS)

As amended.

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Relative to recognizing and commemorating the celebration of "Law Week" during the week of April 27 to May 4, 2008, and the May 1st Fiftieth (50th) Anniversary celebration of Law Day and to commending the practitioners of law for their outstanding efforts to educate our entire community on the importance of understanding the law.

- 1 BE IT RESOLVED BY I MINA'BENTE NUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN
- 2 GUÅHAN:
- 3 **WHEREAS**, Law Day is a celebration of our nation's great heritage of
- 4 liberty, justice and equality under law; and

1 WHEREAS, this country was founded on the principle that voluntary

adherence to the rule of law expands, rather than limits the opportunities for

3 freedom; and

WHEREAS, a viable democracy requires understanding of the nature and basis of our freedom and recognition of the individual responsibilities which those freedoms impose; and

WHEREAS, all citizens, both young and old, need to understand their rights and responsibilities under the law to become effective participants in our nation's civil life; and

WHEREAS, the Law Day 2008 theme, "The Rule of Law: Foundation for Communities of Opportunity and Equity" encourages us all to examine the rule of law, our role in its sustainability, and its role in protecting our communities, our democracy, opportunity, equity, and all that is most precious to us; and

WHEREAS, the Guam Bar Association, in coordination with the Judiciary of Guam, has scheduled numerous events in order to familiarize the community on the importance of living and abiding by the law. Among the notable events that will take place during the course of the week include: a Mock Trial involving kindergarten students in the trial of *Goldilocks and the Three Bears*, short seminars on a variety of topics from domestic to criminal law, a Law Fair at the Agana Shopping Center and Judiciary Parking Area,

- 1 and the inaugural Guam Bar Association Golf Tournament, with the proceeds
- 2 to benefit indigent clients; now, therefore, be it
- 3 **RESOLVED**, that I Mina'Bente Nuebi Na Liheslaturan Guåhan does
- 4 hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, join the nation and our local
- 5 community in recognizing and celebrating the 50th Anniversary of Law Day
- 6 on May 1st, as well as in commemorating the week of April 28, 2008 to May 4,
- 7 2008, as Law Week under the theme "The Rule of Law: Foundation for
- 8 Communities of Opportunity and Equity"; and be it further
- 9 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker certify, and the Secretary of the
- 10 Legislature attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be
- 11 thereafter transmitted to the Honorable Robert J. Torres, Chief Justice,
- 12 Supreme Court of Guam; to Rawlen M. T. Mantanona, President, Guam Bar
- 13 Association; to Rodney J. Jacob, Chairman, Law Week Planning Committee;
- and to the Honorable Felix P. Camacho, I Maga'lahen Guåhan.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY I MINA'BENTE NUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE 22ND DAY OF APRIL 2008.

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Secretary of the Legislature