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

Resolution No. 180 (LS)

As amended.

Introduced by:

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Relative to recognizing and commending Mrs. Michelle McKinzie, and to extend her a sincere appreciation for the outstanding contributions she has made for the enhancement of music in our island community.

- 1 BE IT RESOLVED BY I MINA'BENTE NUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN
- 2 GUÅHAN:
- 3 **WHEREAS**, Ms. Michelle Ganz was born the fourth of eight (8) children
- 4 of Samuel and Beverly Ganz, on August 7, 1957, in Corpus Christi, Texas; and

1 WHEREAS, Ms. Michelle Ganz became Mrs. Michelle McKinzie upon 2 her marriage to Mr. Dixon McKinzie, son of John and Ruth McKinzie of Texas, on May 22, 1982, and were blessed with two (2) daughters: Samantha and 3 4 Amanda; and 5 WHEREAS, Mrs. Michelle McKinzie attended Incarnate Word Academy in Corpus Christi, Texas; received her formal music training at the University 6 of Kansas; completed her Bachelor of Business Administration degree at Texas 7 A & M University in College Station, Texas; and was bestowed her Masters of 8 9 Science Degree in Occupational Technology from the University of Houston, Texas, in August 1996; and 10 WHEREAS, Mrs. Michelle McKinzie first became involved in the local 11 fine arts scene when she had a small solo and her two (2) daughters had parts 12 13 in the Opera of the Pacific's professional production of *La Boheme* in 2000. She was Choral Director at Calvary Baptist Church and has been the Band 14 Director at Harvest Christian Academy since 2003. Mrs. McKinzie developed 15 16 the school's program, to include four (4) levels of 6th to 12th grade bands, 17 which has involved two hundred (200) students each year; and 18 WHEREAS, Mrs. Michelle McKinzie was a clarinetist of the Guam 19 Territorial Band, served as a board member, and was the band's Assistant 20 Director. She was a part of the Command Performance award-winning group

that performed in Sydney, Australia, in August 2006. Michelle has played in

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- 1 numerous ensemble groups and has been an encouragement to furthering
- 2 music in schools on Guam; and
- 3 WHEREAS, Mrs. Michelle McKinzie, as an active member of our
- 4 community, contributed toward the prosperous growth of music on our
- 5 island, through her extreme passion for music, and has passed on her
- 6 enthusiasm to young people, inspiring excellence in all who have been under
- 7 her direction; and
- 8 WHEREAS, in her personal and professional life, Michelle stressed
- 9 integrity and respect for others and has served as a source of inspiration to her
- 10 colleagues, friends, and family, to whom she has always encouraged spiritual,
- 11 personal, and professional growth; and
- WHEREAS, Michelle's desire has been to see the young people of Guam
- 13 raise the bar of their music standards - to show students that it is fun to play
- 14 serious and excellent music; and
- 15 **WHEREAS**, the members of *I Mina'Bente Nuebe Na Liheslaturan Guåhan*
- and the people of Guam will greatly miss Mrs. Michelle McKinzie as she and
- 17 her family move back to the United States; Un Dångkolo Na Si Yu'os Ma'åse' to
- 18 her husband, Dixon, and their two (2) daughters, Samantha and Amanda, for
- 19 sharing a selfless individual with Harvest Christian Academy and our Island;
- 20 and

- 1 WHEREAS, Mrs. Michelle McKinzie spent much of her time actively
- 2 helping the people of Guam through her contributions in numerous civic,
- 3 community, and religious activities; now, therefore, be it
- 4 **RESOLVED**, that I Mina'Bente Nuebi Na Liheslaturan Guåhan does
- 5 hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, recognize and commend Mrs.
- 6 Michelle McKinzie, and does extend a sincere *Un Dångkolo Na Si Yu'os Ma'åse'*
- 7 for the outstanding contributions she has made for the enhancement of music
- 8 in our Island Community; 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 Mrs. Michelle McKinzie; to Mr. John McGrew,
- 12 Principal, Harvest Christian Academy; and to the Honorable Felix P.
- 13 Camacho, I Maga'lahen Guåhan.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY I MINA'BENTE NUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE 10TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2008.

JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed. D. Speaker

RORÝ J. RESPICIO Senator and Acting Secretary of the Legislature